

COULSDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 16 – JANUARY 2023



Attendance Champions – Week 16

1st Place – Year 5: 99.44%

2nd Place – Years 3 & 6: 97.7%

4th Place – Year 2: 97.22%

5th Place – Year 1: 96.11%

6th Place – Year 4: 94.05%

7th Place – Year R: 91.67%

Operation Encompass

The school has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly between schools and the Metropolitan Police. It involves the Police reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has been exposed to, or involved in, any police attended domestic abuse incident. Please see letter and leaflet for further details.

Curriculum Corner

The children have all begun their spring term topics with lots of exciting engagement opportunities. Year 4 began their “Misty mountains, Winding Streams” topic with a science day on Thursday. The children looked at states of matter, particle theory and changing materials. The day involved observation, creating leaflets and even some drama creating particle movement with their bodies. Today they will be making 3D models of rivers. I am very tempted to go and join in myself!

Commendation

Our Friday Commendation assemblies are a wonderful opportunity to recognise the hard work and effort children are making in class and around the school. This term we will be identifying children who are living out our values to receive commendation awards on Fridays. Our values are the Fruits of the Spirit and children are encouraged to show **love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control**

Notes from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all the gifts, cards and festive wishes in the lead up to Christmas. We reflected on our training day how quickly this holiday seems to come and go. I pray that you have had a chance to relax and enjoy some festive fun.

This term looks like it will be a busy one too and we will be welcoming the new substantive Head, Mr Paul Garratty, for some transition and handover. I will keep you informed of opportunities to meet him over the coming term.

The children have spent some time revisiting class expectations this week. We will also focus this term on revisiting these key expectations from our home school agreement:

-Self control/self discipline

-Accountability for one's own behaviour

-An appreciation and consideration for others with a respect for others' rights

-An awareness of a responsibility to others

Mrs Hudson

Reflection

This week in collective worship we have thought about how we have gone through a ‘doorway’ into a new year. We do not yet know what is behind that door but we hope that it is full of exciting adventures, and maybe some challenges, but we are safe in the knowledge that God is with us through whatever we face.

“Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10