

COULSDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 17 – JANUARY 2024

Attendance Champions Week 17

1st Place – Year R: 98.28%

2nd Place – Year 1: 98%

3rd Place – Year 3: 95.36%

4th Place – Year 5: 94.81%

5th Place – Year 2: 94.48%

6th Place – Year 4: 94.33%

7th Place – Year 6: 92.41%

Notes from the Head Teacher

Dear Families,

It has been a very sunny but cold week this week. Please make sure hats, scarves or gloves are labelled with your child's name to help prevent them getting lost.

It has been lovely visiting all the classes this week. As always the children are engrossed in their learning and seem very enthusiastic about their new topics. I am looking forward to seeing the work they produce and hearing them talk about their new knowledge.

On Tuesday I was lucky enough to teach Reception Class for an hour. Even despite my questionable singing of *Four Green Speckled Frogs* it was lovely to see them so engaged and enthusiastic in their learning.

I wish you all a happy and safe weekend.

Uniform Reminder

Please make sure that our uniform policy is being followed with the black fastening shoes. Also long hair should be tied up with small hair accessories and no additional braidings or hair decorations. Thank you.

Reflection

In collective worship this week we focused on Justice. Through practical demonstrations we talked about what justice and fairness means - the children were very good at coming up with situations that were 'unfair', like younger siblings cheating at a game or older siblings staying up late. We discussed whether something being just or fair was always the same, and explored different circumstances where things can be different, but still be fair. We also shared this prayer.

“God, Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.”

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is always a priority at school. All of the staff receive regular training in safeguarding and our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) are Mr. Garratty and Mrs. Lambe. If you ever have any concerns, worries, or want some advice, please speak to any staff members at the school and we will try to help.

Curriculum Corner

Huge congratulations to all of the children who performed at the O2 this week for the Young Voices concert. All the teachers were so proud of the children for behaving so well and for providing such an amazing show. The parents I spoke to were also full of praise and very proud of the children's performance which was full of confidence and enthusiasm.

Thank you to all the staff who showed so much care, dedication and passion to help provide such a special experience for the children. I am sure it will be a memory that lasts a lifetime.

