# COULSDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 39 – JULY 2025

## Attendance Champions Week 39

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Year 3: 99.17% 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Year 1: 98.52% 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Year 4: 97.31% 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Year 6: 96.67% 5<sup>th</sup> Place – Year 2: 93.79% 6<sup>th</sup> Place – Year R: 92% 7<sup>th</sup> Place – Year 5: 90.71%

#### **End of Term Reminders**

- Please have a look through your children's books at home and return any school books to us next week.
- If you have not already done so, please remember to provide a carrier bag for your child on Monday to bring home any work.
- All parents are warmly invited to join us for the Y6 leavers service at 9.30am on Tuesday morning at St John's Church.
- If you are able to help with walking the children to and from church, please let your child's class teacher know.
- The children in Years R-5 will be dismissed from the school playground at 1.30pm for the summer holidays

#### Reflection

"I can do all this through him who gives me strength."

Philippians 4.13

### Notes from the Head Geacher

Dear Families,

We are nearly at the end of the year - it seems to have passed so quickly!

Last week I mentioned that Year 1 had been on a trip to Caterham Library. Since then, we were really proud and pleased to receive a letter from the library informing us that they were very impressed with the children's behaviour and enthusiasm whilst at the library well done children!

We have two days left next week, during which we will be wishing the Year 6 children good luck as they prepare to start the next chapter in their education and goodbye to some wonderful members of staff. I hope that may of you will be able to join us for the church service at 9.30am on Tuesday.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend. We look forward to seeing you on Monday and Tuesday next week.

#### **Breakfast Club**

We regret that, due to rising costs, we will be increasing the cost of Breakfast Club from £4 per child per session, to £4.50. This will take effect from September 2025.

#### Year 3 Trip

Year 3 went on a visit to the Natural History Museum today. Whilst there, they attended two workshops and had a chance to look around the museum. The children really enjoyed their day and their behaviour was fantastic. Well done - it was lovely to see you all so inspired by the day.

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#### **Author Visit**

Jeriah Boateng visited us to deliver an assembly to Years 1 to 6 and workshops to Years 5 and 6. Jeriah spoke about his inspiration, effort and journey from winning a short story competition to producing a chapter book which has been published. The children were really inspired by his visit and I hope they are encouraged to tell their own stories and work hard to make their dreams come true.

#### Visits by Jono

We have been very lucky over the past couple of weeks to have Jono visit some children in their classes. It has been wonderful for the children to get to know Jono more and to be able to ask and reflect on questions about religion and faith. The children have enjoyed talking about favourite Bible stories and what they mean to them, and have also been able to ask questions like this one from Year 1, 'Does God age?'

#### **Old Coulsdon Fair**

It was nice to see so many families at the Old Coulsdon Fair on Saturday. I must say a huge congratulations to the choir and Mrs Jackson for entertaining the crowds so brilliantly with their singing. It is always so special to see children performing with such confidence and enthusiasm.

I must also thank the volunteers who helped to set up and run the Coulsdon C of E stall - the kind donations of bottles and sweets from the families were very popular! I know that, thanks to their hard work and commitment, a good amount of money was raised for the school.