

COULSDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 32 – MAY 2026

Attendance Champions Summer Term 1

- 1st Place – Year R: 97.93%
- 2nd Place – Year 1: 96.95%
- 3rd Place – Year 5: 96.85%
- 4th Place – Year 3: 96.35%
- 5th Place – Year 2: 95.47%
- 6th Place – Year 4: 94.25%
- 7th Place – Year 6: 93.34%

Year 5 Trip to the Allotment

Year 5 were lucky enough to make a return visit to the allotments on Stoats Nest Road on Wednesday. When we last visited in winter, the produce hadn't started to grow, and it was amazing to see how much everything has changed since then. The children enjoyed seeing the flowers in bloom and were even lucky enough to see the bee hives which are kept at the end of the allotments. They found out how honey is produced and why bees are so important for plant life.

Faith Ambassadors Assembly

We were treated to a wonderful collective worship on Wednesday which was led by the Faith Ambassadors. The children from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 all worked together, alongside Miss Tansley, to plan and resource the session and they delivered it with confidence. It was a wonderful collective worship which was enjoyed by all of the children - a huge well done to you all.

Notes from the Head Teacher

Dear Families,

As another half term comes to an end I must thank the children for their continued hard work and enthusiasm and the staff for their dedication and hard work - it is a privilege to watch the children grow and develop. It looks like we are going to have nice weather next week which I hope everyone enjoys. However you are spending the week, I hope you find time to relax and to spend some precious time together. Thank you for your ongoing support, I look forward to seeing you after half term.

Raffle tickets

This week we had our first draw of raffle tickets which have been given by adults to children who have shown wonderful behaviour or attitudes. The reward for this half term was a tea party and it was lovely to spend time talking with the children and enjoying each other's company. Well done to everyone who won a ticket and although we give rewards, remember that we make good choices because it's the right thing to do.

Reflection

On Tuesday, we watched a video clip of an exhausted and collapsed runner being helped to finish the race by strangers. We talked about selflessness and putting other people first if they have a greater need. One of the runners who carried the struggling runner to the finish reflected that helping the man felt more important than running a personal best.

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but considering the interests of the others".

Philippians 2:3-4

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Year 2 Trip to Hampton Court

On Thursday, Year 2 had an amazing day at Hampton Court Palace. We went into Henry VIII's kitchens and saw a huge fire. We could smell the wood burning and hear it crackling. We went up into Henry VIII's apartments and saw the Great Hall – there were gigantic tapestries and beautiful stained glass windows. We even got to see Henry VIII's crown. We finished the day in "Tudor World" and got to feel and smell lots of things. We even saw a beheading block! We had a great day!

