

# COULSDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 5 – OCTOBER 2026



## Attendance Champions Week 5

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Year 1: 100%
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Year 6: 99.58%
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Year 5: 98.1%
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Years R & 4: 98%
- 6<sup>th</sup> Place – Year 2: 97.5%
- 7<sup>th</sup> Place – Year 3: 97.2%

## Harvest Festival Service

We are looking forward to celebrating Harvest at St John's Church on **Thursday 15th October at 9.30am**. This will be our first visit to the church this school year, and all parents are warmly invited. We would be very grateful if any parents or carers would be able to walk with the children to and from church. As part of our Harvest celebration, we would also appreciate donations of tinned food and other non-perishable goods. These will be donated to a local charity to help support families in our community.

## A Harvest Reflection

"The earth has produced its harvest; God, our God, has blessed us."

Psalm 67:6

What a lovely reminder at this time of year to be thankful for the food we have, the beauty of creation and the opportunity to share what we have with others.

## Notes from the Head Teacher

Dear Families,

It certainly feels like autumn has arrived! Although we are still enjoying some lovely warm weather, please remember to send your child to school with a named, waterproof coat so they are ready for any rainy break times.

I wish you all a happy and healthy weekend.

## Parents' Evening

We are really looking forward to welcoming you to Parents' Evening next week. This is a wonderful opportunity to see some of your child's work, talk about the progress they have been making and find out about the next steps in their learning.

If you haven't booked an appointment yet, there are still some time slots available, so please book if you can. We look forward to seeing you!

## Year 6 Class Assembly

On Wednesday morning, we had our first class assembly from Year 6, who shared their learning with the school and the Year 6 parents who were invited to attend. It was amazing to hear what the children have been learning and also what they have remembered. The singing also brought some tears to the eyes - in a good way! A huge well done to Year 6.

Throughout the year every class will be having a class assembly to which parents will be invited. We look forward to every one of them.

Continued.....

## Reception and Year 4 Autumn Walk

Reception and Year 4 had a wonderful time exploring our local woodlands on an autumn walk. Building on our learning from last week, the children were able to spot and talk about the changes they could see around them as we move into autumn. We discovered a fantastic variety of wildlife and natural treasures, including animals, plants, different types of trees and even some mushrooms. The children were encouraged to use their senses, share their observations and think carefully about how the woodland is changing as the seasons move on. Our Year 4 and Reception children worked together beautifully through our buddy system. Year 4 were fantastic role models, supporting their younger buddies as they explored and investigated the woodland. Together, they used natural materials to create some awesome dens, working as a team and showing creativity, kindness and problem-solving skills. We think they may have even created some rather cosy shelters for the local hedgehogs to use during the colder winter months!



## Pupil Press by Betsy Y6

We have had an extremely busy week this week at Coulsdon.

Year 6 did their first Class Assembly, this was quite daunting as they have never done one before but when Miss B explained what they were doing all of the class got involved and decided to showcase their learning with readings, extracts of writing, physical demonstrations, singing and even a little bit of acting! The parents were invited along to watch; I caught up with a few of them: 'An impressive display of everything year 6 have done so far this term – they are all superstars!' Mrs Whicheloe. 'I absolutely loved it. The singing brought tears to my eyes!' Said Mrs Kidd. 'Doing the class assembly was really fun, it was good to share with everyone what we had been learning.' Robbie

Yesterday was National Poetry Day. Across the school from Reception to Year 6 we were thinking about the wonder of our world, in reception, the children looked at how the leaves changed and spent lots of time talking about it. Year 1 wrote some amazing poems about leaves and in Key stage 2 we considered how we have an impact on the world around us and the things that were important to us.

'The theme was engaging and enticing, it made me think about what we actually want our world to be like. Levi, Year 6

I liked how we had the freedom to write about making a difference' Erin, Year 5

I liked describing the leaves as if they were diamonds!' Ada, Year 1

### Animal Neglection: Why do you do it?

Why do you do it, Why do you leave them alone

It's so sad and also very bad.

You know that is bad

Then why do you do it.

They just want a good life.

But you make it a horrible life.

They just want love and a warm

place to sleep.



But you just leave them in the street. How can you do it?

Kept in cages, thrown out in bags, left

to die all because of you.

What did they do to you to throw them out?

What did they do to you to throw them out?

Would you like to be thrown out like you did to them? You won't like it

then why do you do it?

If you don't want them, just take them to a shelter

They will get a good life just like they always wanted.

Don't ever do it!

Don't ever do it! Nikhi

Rubbish on the trees  
Rubbish every where  
Rubbish in the ocean  
Does anybody care

The Rubbish in the ocean  
hurts the ocean creatures.