



Headlines

March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our **March Headlines** and the start of spring! Coldfall Woods and our beautiful grounds start to come alive at this time of year and hopefully we'll be able to spend more time outside enjoying our natural environment.

Our Value for March is **FRIENDSHIP**. Learning about how to be a good friend is essential for children, especially as many of them do feel anxious about making and having friends. Friendship links very closely to the values of respect, trust, honesty and faithfulness. We will be supporting children in thinking about how to demonstrate these values in order to be a good friend.



A number of **SPECIAL EVENTS** are planned for March. We celebrate **WORLD BOOK DAY** on Thursday 2nd March with a Family Reading Breakfast from 9am—9.30am, a special assembly and a dress up day! Year 5's Breakfast will take place on Tuesday 7 March due to swimming. We ask that just one adult per child comes along on Thursday and Tuesday morning (and no brothers or sisters) to share a special story. Simple refreshments will be provided. Children can dress up as a book character and contribute £1 for Educaid.

On Thursday 9 March, we'll be holding a **SPELLING BEE** for children to demonstrate their spelling prowess and Friday 24 March is **RED NOSE DAY** and sees the start of our Citizenship Week in the last week of term. On Red Nose Day children may dress up (each year group has their own theme) buy red noses in school, participate in a sponsored event and enjoy a staff v pupils sporting event in the afternoon. Phew! During **CITIZENSHIP WEEK** (27-31 March) we will learn what it means to be a good citizen and to understand democracy; children will also be taking part in a special 'eco' or local community project.



STAFF NEWS—this month we welcome Ms Bunston back from her maternity leave. She will be leading on forest school learning. Mrs Marshall will return to work from her leave after the Easter holiday and will be teaching in Reception. Sadly we say goodbye to Ms Jimo, our longstanding art teacher who, after 16 very happy years at Coldfall, has decided to continue her teaching elsewhere. She asked me to pass on the following message:

'Thank you to the children, parents and carers for their many years of encouragement, support and all round fabulousness! I will continue to sing the praises of Coldfall to all who will listen and in particular of the 'squoodgy' children who truly make it such a fabulous school. To all those Coldfall artists.. keep going! Art is in your heart and soul; love it and it will love you back! All my best and much love to you all, Ms Jimo

NURSERY—we are delighted that we will be extending our nursery provision from September. There is a lot of information on the school [website](#), from where application forms can be downloaded. Please do let local friends and family know that our nursery will be open from 8am until 6pm.

Finally a **HUGE** thank you for all your support for our 'SNUG' appeal. We delivered around **650** packs to the distribution centre in Calais. These will make such a difference to people in real need.

With best wishes, Mrs EB Davies

ATTENDANCE

PLEASE AIM FOR 100% ATTENDANCE. IT MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE TO THE CONTINUITY OF CHILDREN'S LEARNING, THEIR CONFIDENCE AND THEIR SOCIAL SKILLS..... AND BE HERE ON TIME EVERY DAY!

ATTENDANCE BY CLASS	3 JANUARY — 22 FEBRUARY 2017
CHAFFINCH	92.8%
DOVE	91.7%
EAGLE	97.6%
FLAMINGO	96.9%
GOLDFINCH	95.7%
HUMMINGBIRD	95.5%
KESTREL	96.9%
KINGFISHER	96.7%
KOOKABURRA	96.8%
MAGPIE	95.1%
NIGHTINGALE	98.3%
OWL	97.2%
PEACOCK	96.1%
PELICAN	95.5%
PUFFIN	97.0%
ROBIN	94.8%
SWAN	97.1%
SWIFT	97.6%
TOUCAN	95.2%
WOODPECKER	96.9%
WREN	95.9%

BOOKING ACTIVITY CLUBS FOR THE SUMMER TERM

Bookings will open at 5pm on Thursday 30 March and close at 8am on Tuesday 18 April. Please access the booking system via the school [website](#). Once a club is fully booked, it will no longer appear in the list for that day of the week. Clubs will run from 19 April until Thursday 20 July. Club times are 3.40pm—4.40pm.

JOB VACANCY—FINANCE ASSISTANT

We are looking for a committed and conscientious person to look after the school's day to day financial administration. Excellent numeracy and IT skills are essential. The job is full time, 52 weeks a year, Monday to Friday with 26 days' holiday to be taken during school closures. The salary is £24,990. Please see the school website for further details. Application deadline is Thursday 9 March at 9am.

SPORTS REPORT

February has been a very successful month for sport at Coldfall. With high intensity training happening weekly in preparation for the London School Games netball competition and the Haringey Gymnastics competition, we have also competed in football, indoor athletics and basketball.

Indoor Athletics

After taking part in heat 3 against 11 other schools in Haringey we qualified for the finals which consisted of the top 6 schools in Haringey. After a close run battle and some outstanding performances from our pupils it came down to the last 2 races to determine who was going to finish first. We ended up losing out by 3 pts but finished 2nd overall in Haringey which is a great achievement for our children.

5 aside Football

Coldfall were invited to take part in the ELMS Football competition, this is a competition bringing together schools from Haringey, Enfield and Waltham Forest. It was an intense competition which saw our boys undefeated all the way through the group stage, without conceding a goal. We then faced a school from Enfield in the quarter finals winning 3-1. Coldfall finished 3rd on the day losing in golden goal extra time. While this was a good overall performance the team were extremely disappointed as they know they had a very good chance of winning the competition.

Basketball

Basketball was held at Greg City Academy and saw a record entry of 36 schools from Haringey. The morning group stage saw Coldfall go undefeated and qualify for the top group in afternoon play. After another 3 games of play Coldfall finished 3rd in their group on point difference giving us a 5th place finish overall in Haringey.

Charlie and I are extremely proud of the effort and hard work put in by every child that has competed for Coldfall. While we have been left frustrated by some of our final results we could not have asked for more. *Mr Browning, PE Teacher*

NO SCOOTERS OR 'WHELIE' TRAINERS IN THE PLAYGROUND PLEASE! THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENTS RECENTLY.

