



# Headlines

## Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our March edition of Headlines. We have an exciting month ahead as we celebrate World Book Day on Friday 2nd March (dress up and bring in £1 please), hold our interclass Spelling Bee on Friday 16th March, and develop our speaking and listening skills in our special 'Oracy Week' during the final week of term! Read about the inspiring author visits planned for World Book Day below.

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March (please note this does not apply to Reception children, who will be celebrating WBD on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March due to their clown event on the Friday). Class teachers have some wonderful book-orientated activities planned for the day and, for some year groups, a very exciting author will be visiting the school (details below).

We would also like to invite parents into school for a 'Reading Tea Party' at 3pm on the day. The theme for World Book Day this year is to share a story, so what better way to do this than reading a book with your child with a soft drink and a piece of cake? Parents are also encouraged to dress as their favourite book characters for the tea party.

**Author Visits** Julian Clary, the author of *The Bolds* book series, will be coming into school on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** along with the illustrator, David Roberts. They will be presenting their books to the children in Years 3, 4 and 5, and talking about how they went about writing and illustrating them. Julian and David will hold a book signing event after their talk from 3.15–3.55pm in the Training Room. We will be taking pre-orders of the books before and after school next week at a cost of £6.99. A small number of books will be available for sale at the book signing; however, we strongly recommend that children pre-order to avoid disappointment.

On **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March** we are also excited to welcome BBC Radio 1 DJs Greg James and Chris Smith, who will be presenting a talk about their books to children in Key Stage 2. They came up with the idea of writing a book together after they started inventing characters as part of their weekly podcast. Having had great fun coming up with fantastic characters such as the Butter Monster (and his seasonal partner in crime, the Brandy Butter Monster) they decided to turn their ideas into a book and together wrote *Kid Normal*. The next book in the series, *Kid Normal and the Rogue Heroes*, is being published the day after their visit to Coldfall, but a special, early release has been created just for us!

Again, we will be taking pre-orders for this book from Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March before and after school, but a small number of books will be available on the day.

Future events are being organised for Years 1 and 2 and we are currently working hard to secure these. Information regarding these events will follow soon.

**Our Value** for March is **Self-Belief** ... The Year 6 Captains will be leading an interactive, creative whole school assembly this month on the theme of Self-Belief. This is such an important value as it affects every aspect of a child's life, and part of our role is to build their self-belief and encourage them to feel positive about themselves, their skills and abilities.

**Green School** - well done to our Star Squad and Year 5 who have been working extra hard behind the scenes to encourage us all to be green at school and at home. Please remember to walk at least the last five minutes to school; only bring in reusable containers if having packed lunch and remember the Three Rs: **Reduce** waste, **Reuse**, **Recycle**. On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March we will be celebrating 'Earth Day' by limiting our energy usage and saving water, so there will be no lights or computers on, and children will have a 'cold' sandwich school meal. Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 8.30-9.30pm is Earth Hour. Visit [www.earthhour.org](http://www.earthhour.org) if you want to find out more and take part.

**Parents' Evening** - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March from 4.00-9.30pm. Booking will open at 9.00am on 1<sup>st</sup> March at [www.coldfall.parenteveningsystem.co.uk](http://www.coldfall.parenteveningsystem.co.uk)

**Climbing Frames** - work is progressing at a pace. The new Reception climbing frame is in full swing and the main playground one should be open for use in the next two weeks!



An enormous thank you to the Friends of Coldfall for these, and

also for the Valentine's Disco held just before half term. Check out our website for photos.

**Coldfall App** - we will soon be launching our School App which will make communications more straightforward. More information to follow soon.

**Best wishes,**

**Mrs EB Davies**

**CLASS ASSEMBLIES - 9.00am in the Main Hall, followed by tea and coffee for parents.**

**Swift Class Friday 2nd March**

**Robin Class Friday 9th March**

**Swan Class Friday 23rd March**

### REMINDER

Please remember that parents should not email teachers directly. All communication should be sent via the School Office.

If you need to speak to a teacher or other member of staff you can arrange to meet them after school. Again, please arrange this via the School Office.

Teachers will no longer be responding to emails sent to them directly.

**SCHOOLMONEY IS NOW LIVE** - We are pleased to announce that our new online payment system is now live. You should have received an email with information and instructions for how to login. Please see the following link: <https://login.eduspot.co.uk/public/portal/parent/?app=schoolmoney>

**Do you wish that your 10-year-old self had met a racing car designer, an astronaut or a chocolate consultant?**

### Volunteers Needed!

We are asking for parents/family members/ex-pupils who would be happy to present a short, engaging 'talk' of around 15 minutes to the children about their profession or inspiring topics that children may not meet in the classroom. The talks will take place in the main hall on alternate Wednesdays between 9.15am and 9.30am approximately.

The aim is to enthuse, motivate and inspire our students, encouraging them to dream big by giving them access to illuminating ideas and to illustrate pathways into a variety of exciting professions.

The talks would be aimed at Years 5 and 6, and we can provide a laptop and a screen should you wish to present in this way but please don't feel constrained. Creativity, enthusiasm and a good sense of humour go a long way!

If you would like to know more, please send a short email into the School Office marked for the attention of Mr Marshall outlining your talk.

### SPORTING NEWS

After a very successful year of training and competition, Sam, Noah, Ishay and Josh played in the table tennis London finals in January. They were the runners-up and qualified for the South Of England Regional Finals in Bristol. It was a very tense end to the competition. Our team finished 2nd overall which means the Coldfall boys' team are in the Top 8 in England for Under 11s!

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### DIARY DATES

**World Book Day Friday 2nd March**

**Parents' Evening Thursday 15th March**

**Spelling Bee Friday 16th March**

**Reading & Oracy Week 26th–29th March**

**Polling Day Thursday 3rd May**

**TAD DAY Friday 4th May**

**Summer Fair Saturday 9th June**

**Nursery visits 9.30–10.00am every Friday during term time. BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL.**

**Nursery application deadline 31st March**

**Dinner money this half term will be £75.40. Payments can be made online.**

