



October Headlines

Dear Parents and Carers

We have been delighted to welcome all our new children to Nursery and Reception and to see how well they are settling in to the routines of life at Coldfall...it is the start of a wonderful learning journey and we know you will support them throughout.

This month we start our Values project, linking to the schools in Sierra Leone through EduAid. Our first empathy habit is 'Emotional Literacy' - teaching children to recognise and understand the feeling and needs of children through their facial expressions, tone of voice and body language.

We are also having a very special Sierra Leone Evening on Thursday 11th October at 7.00pm, and are hoping for a really good turn out! Our 3 choirs (staff, youth and children's) will all be performing; there will be a screening of the film of the "Coldfall 6's" visit to Sierra Leone, and we welcome Miriam Mason, EduAid's Country Director, who will be able to answer any questions. The Main Hall doors will open from 6.30pm so you can purchase drinks before the evening begins. We look forward to seeing you!

Many, many thanks to all those children who ran the Coldfall Marathon last term - so far we have raised £3,148 for EduAid... If there are any more outstanding monies we would be very grateful to receive these!

Coldfall's 90th Birthday Celebration is today, Friday 28th September... We will post photos on the website and the winners of the poster competition! Thank you very much for all the wonderful, creative entries. Each year group will be doing a special 90th Anniversary project, based on a theme through the ages (i.e. The last 90 years), during this academic year, to continue our celebrations.

Christmas Dates

Parents are invited to attend their child's special Christmas performance - please see the dates below and note them in your diary!

Saturday 1/12: Choir at Noah's Ark Precious Moments Concert

Friday 7/12: Choir Performance at Wigmore Hall

Tuesday 11/12: 9.15 – Kestrel Class Performance

Tuesday 11/12: 15.00 – Kingfisher Class Performance

Wednesday 12/12: 9.15 – Kookaburra Class Performance

Thursday 13/12: 9.15 – Chaffinch Nativity

Thursday 13/12: 14.45 Dove Nativity

Friday 14/12: 9.35 Eagle Nativity

Monday 17/12: 6.00pm Year 5 and 6 Christmas Concert

Tuesday 18/12: 6.00pm Year 5 and 6 Christmas Concert

Thursday 20/12: 11.00 Nursery Sing-along

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Important Reminders

- * School uniform - all children must be in full school uniform (i.e. Polo shirt and sweatshirt with school logo, grey/black/navy skirt or trousers, and proper black/brown/navy shoes). Long hair must be tied back.
- * All items must be clearly named. Lost property is building up and it is impossible to return clothes which are not named or where the name has faded. Please use a sharpie pen or proper name labels!
- * Packed lunches and playtime snacks... Coldfall is a healthy school and we have clear policy on only healthy food being brought into school (please note this does not include the occasional birthday treat). Sweets, chocolate bars, salty snacks (e.g. crisps), and fizzy drinks are not allowed. At break time children may bring in fruit or veg sticks, a nut free cereal bar or a healthy sandwich. No fruit winders or packets of biscuits, or other snacks may be brought in. It is very important that children learn about healthy eating so please ensure you support us in this. Ms Bunston and the Star Squad will be doing some work with the children around healthy snacks and packed lunches, so we will send out more information over this term.
- * During the school day parents coming into school must enter and exit via the **Everington Road** gate. If you need to drop any forgotten items or lunches at school this must be done before 9.30am. If your child forgets their lunch and you are unable to bring it in before 9.30am they will have a school dinner and your School Money account will be charged accordingly.

Punctuality and Attendance

It is so important for a positive start to the day and for continuity in children's learning that they arrive on time to school every day. Please be in the playground by 8.55am. Thank you.

Harvest Festival - we celebrate this on Friday 19th October. The children may bring in £1 to dress in autumnal/harvest colours. Please also send in non-perishable food goods, which are distributed to our local soup kitchen and food bank.

With very best wishes,

Mrs EB Davies

CLASS ASSEMBLIES - 9am in the Main Hall, followed by tea and coffee for parents.

Wren Class	Friday 5th October
Swift Class	Friday 12 October
Robin Class & Harvest Festival	Friday 19th October
Swan Class	Friday 2nd November
Pelican Class	Friday 9th November
Puffin Class	Friday 23rd November
Peacock Class	Friday 30th November

Diary Dates

Happy Shoes Day	Monday 1st October
Toucan Tollesbury	Monday 1st-Friday 5th October
Woodpecker Tollesbury	Monday 8th-Friday 12th October
Wren Tollesbury	Monday 15th-Friday 19th October
Harvest Festival	Friday 15th October
Half term	Monday 22nd-Friday 26th October

Walk to School Month

October is the start of Walk to School Month which is a global event where we can celebrate the many benefits of walking including improvements to our health and the environment. To get pupils excited about walking to school, on Monday 1st October we will be holding a Happy Shoes Day! This will be a day dedicated to wearing the shoes that make you the happiest – shiny, decorated, red, cartoon... whatever brings that smile on the walk to school. (Please remember that the shoes need to be safe for school so no heels or wheels!)

It is great to see how many families are making the choice to walk to school but remember that if you have to drive please ensure that you leave enough time to park safely away from the school entrance. We have our 10 minute walking zone in place (a map of which can be found on the school website) so try to park outside the zone to help reduce congestion and pollution at the school gates whilst improving safety. The Civil Enforcement Teams will be working around our school and issuing £130 parking fines for stopping on the yellow 'School Keep Clear' markings.

INTERNATIONAL



Sporting News

Last week Coldfall entered the Haringey Cross Country Race which is the first competition in the Haringey School Games calendar.

In the event, which saw nearly 400 children from Haringey Primary and Secondary schools compete, Coldfall finished 2nd in the Primary Girls' event and 3rd in the Primary Boys' event. These were our best recent years. A special mention goes to Leon Valmont who finished 6th in the Primary Boys' event and 29th over-Secondary aged 11.



Coldfall Community Choir

We are excited to announce the founding of a choir for adult members of the Coldfall community - parents, carers and locals. Anyone 18 years and over is welcome: no audition required.

The choir will rehearse weekly at the school on a weeknight (tbc) during term time, with performance opportunities to support the school and the school charity EducAid.

If you are interested in being part of this, or if you have any questions, please email: coldfallcommunitychoir@gmail.com

Also we are currently recruiting a musical director and/or accompanist, so please get in touch if you can help with either or both of these.

