



Article of the month of July

Article 28: Every child has the right to a good education, to be treated with dignity when in school and have the choice of different secondary schools.

We are saying a fond farewell to several members of our Colindale community. To staff members Ms Mohammed, Ms Majevalida, Ms Daley-Murray, Ms Zaki, Ms Hussain, Ms Mahmood and Ms Steinberg. I want to take this opportunity to thank them for their hard work and commitment to Colindale and to wish them all the best in their new ventures.

And of course to our Year 6 children! Good luck in your secondary schools! I know you will continue do well and achieve your best!



I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and peaceful summer holiday!

Rights Respecting Schools Award update

We had yet another exciting day here at Colindale, on 27th June. The assessor from UNICEF came to visit the school, to check on our progress towards gaining the **Rights Respecting Schools Silver Award** – almost two years to the day since we achieved the Bronze award. During the Day, the assessor, Mrs Gill Roberts, toured the school, met with staff, parents and pupils. She also looked at the relevant documentation and displays. It was pleasing to hear that she was very impressed with everything she saw. A particular highlight for her she said, was meeting such articulate and knowledgeable children from across all year groups. The children showed that they knew about rights and could say what this meant in practice. At the end of the day, Mrs Roberts had no hesitation in awarding us the **Silver Award** Well done everyone! We have received the Silver award logo, which we can use on school documents and the banner is on its way. *Ms McDonough (RRSA Leader)*



Attendance awards

This month the following classes won the Colindale **Gold Attendance Award** for the highest attendance: 2P, 3G, 5DM, 6K & 1C who won it twice!!

Well done!

6N & 5DM won the **Super Gold Attendance Award** for an amazing 100% attendance with no lates **FANTASTIC!!**

WELL DONE!

Important dates for the new school year!!

Wednesday 4th September at 8.45: School starts for all children in years 1,2,3,4, 5 and 6.

Thursday 5th September at 9am: Welcome to Year 6 meeting for all Year 6 parents & carers.

Friday 6th September at 9am: Welcome to Year 1 meeting for all Year 1 parents & carers.

Monday 9th September at 9am: Welcome to Year 5 meeting for all Year 5 parents & carers.

Monday 9th September at 2.45pm: Welcome to Year 3 meeting for all Year 3 parents & carers.

Thursday 12th September at 9am: Welcome to Year 4 meeting for all Year 4 parents & carers.

Friday 13th September at 9am: Welcome to Year 2 meeting for all Year 2 parents & carers.

Veterinarian Visit

The children in Reception have been learning about different types of animals this term. Their role-play area was turned into a Vet Surgery and the children were very lucky to have **Veterinarian Charlotte Attwood** come to visit.

Charlotte told the children all about her important job as a vet, and how she takes care of all different types of animals when they are unwell. She showed the children some X-ray pictures and how broken animal bones can be repaired. The children were very excited to try out the special, stretchy animal bandages on the toy animals.

What a fantastic experience for Reception! Thank you very much to Mrs Fletcher for arranging the visit. *Mrs Hurn. (EYFS Leader)*



Healthy Me Week Healthy Me Week was a week for all the children at Colindale Primary to focus on the importance of their physical health and mental health. The children learnt that both are equally as important, by taking part in physical activities and wellbeing lessons throughout the week. The children exercised - they had two PE lessons, a keep fit class with one of our parents in Year 6, their swimming lesson, as well as their sports day. All of our topic lessons were around our mental health: there were lessons on different types of feelings, coping strategies and the importance of a positive body image.



The Year 2s and 5s also had a Pollution Solution workshop, which taught them that getting to school healthily (walking and cycling) also keeps our planet healthy. As a school, we are confident our children now understand how important it is to look after their physical health as well as their mental health; exercise regularly, eat healthily and talk openly about their feelings. *Ms L Thompson (PHSE Leader)*

Saturday 13 July to
in Barnet libraries!

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present
SPACE CHASE
Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Saturday 14 September

The Reading Agency and libraries are excited to introduce Space Chase, Summer Reading Challenge 2019; an out-of-this-world adventure inspired by the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing.

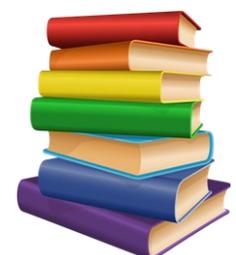
This summer children will help our super space family track down books nabbed by mischievous aliens! As they read library books, they will solve clues and collect special stickers to complete their mission folder. Can they find the aliens in time to save the day?

Read 6 books – collect stickers and prizes for each one!

There will be lots of fun events in your local library

The school with the highest percentage of children finishing the Summer Reading Challenge will win a special prize for their school!

Sign up from Saturday 13 July!



Reception trip to Golders Hill Park

On Wednesday 11th July, Reception set off to Golders Hill Park. They walked all the way to Colindale station and travelled by train



to Golders Green. After an uphill walk, they arrived at the park ready for an exciting day ahead. The children took part in a Secret Life of Butterflies workshop in the Butterfly House, they spotted some butterflies and caterpillars amongst the exotic plants. Then they went on



a minibeast hunt, using nets to catch the minibeasts and magnifying glasses to observe what they had found. The children also enjoyed seeing the different types of animals in the small zoo. They went on a flower hunt, looking for beautiful coloured flowers in the gardens and they enjoyed playing in the adventure playground. They had a lovely picnic lunch together and lots of fun was had by all! The children behaved extremely well on the trip, especially as they needed to keep safe when travelling on the tube and had such a long walk. A big thank you to all the parents and staff who helped to make the trip a success.



Mrs Hurn. (EYFS Leader)

ZooLab visit Nursery



The Nursery children were very excited when the 'Wriggle and Crawl Roadshow' visited us last month.



The children had the opportunity to handle creatures, such as a snake, a giant hissing cockroach and a tarantula. They observed how the creatures moved and tried to copy them!

*Ms Walsh
(Teacher)*



On the 12th of July, Year 3 really enjoyed their **trip to the British Museum**. The children were thoroughly engaged throughout a 'Mummy Talk' given by the museum staff, where they learnt all about the mummification process. The children were really excited to be shown X-Rays and CAT scans of the museum's mummies. They asked and answered some very insightful questions which showed the good knowledge that they had learnt at school. After the talk, the children explored the Ancient Egyptian galleries to see their many artefacts. The weather was lovely so the children enjoyed their lunch in the sunshine in the museum's courtyard. *Mr Najjar (Teacher)*

"I enjoyed the trip because we got to see lots of interesting Egyptian artefacts. My favourite part was when we all gathered and talked about how they used to mummify Egyptians"- Samaa 3N



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Year 2 Clacton Trip

On Friday 19th July, Year 2 went on an exciting trip to Clacton-on-Sea; a fitting end to our topic on the seaside. We had to come to school extra early for the 70 mile coach trip. Some of us fell asleep on the coach because it was a long journey! When we arrived at Clacton we went for a walk along the pier which had an arcade and a fun fair. We sat down, had a snack and listened to the waves crashing underneath us. There were some children who were nervous of walking on the pier because they could see the deep sea in the gaps between some of the wooden planks. After visiting the pier we walked along the promenade to the soft sandy beach at Martello Bay. As



we walked along the promenade we saw many colourful beach huts and cafes. We heard seagulls screeching overhead, and we could hear waves gently coming on to the sand. On

the beach we made sand castles, dug holes, collected shells and interesting pebbles. We were most excited about going for a paddle in the sea. At first, the water felt really cold, but after a little while it felt ok and we enjoyed jumping over the waves. Unfortunately some of us, including the adults got a little too wet! After a while, we had lunch and we were really pleased because we were all really hungry! While we ate, we noticed some scavenging seagulls hovering overhead thinking about stealing our food. When we finished eating, we continued to play on the beach and some of us buried ourselves in the sand to keep warm. Then it was time for us to return to the coach to go back to school. We had a fantastic day at the seaside and it was the best trip ever!!! *Ms Pindoria*

(Teacher)



'Healthy Me' week took place during the week of the 1st of July. Throughout this week all children participated in a

Sports' Day event.

They completed lots of different activities involving skills such as running, jumping, throwing and balancing.

The children had a fantastic time and lots of great sports skills were demonstrated! Well done to all children!' *Ms Nuttall(PE Leader)*



