

Colindale Primary School Newsletter

July 2022



Messages from the school office for the new school year

Last day of school – is Friday 22nd July and school will close at 2 p.m.

ParentPay – from September the school office will not accept cash as payment for anything. All payments must be done via ParentPay. If you have not activated your child's account, please come and see someone in the school office.

School dinners – if you are changing your child(ren) from school dinner to packed lunches or visa a versa please complete the lunch form and return it to the school office before Friday 22nd July.

Outstanding Debts – please clear any outstanding monies for school lunches, trips, nursery fees and workshops. If you have queries, please call the school office.

Important upcoming dates for the term

5/09/2022 – Y1 to Y6 return to school

6/09/2022 – Welcome to Year 3 meeting for parents at 9.00

7/09/2022 – Welcome to Year 5 meeting for parents at 9.00

8/09/2022 – Welcome to Year 6 meeting for parents at 9.00

9/09/2022 – Welcome to Year 2 meeting for parents at 9.00

12/09/2022 – Welcome to Year 1 meeting for parents at 9.00

6/09/2022 – Welcome to Year 4 meeting for parents at 9.00

13/09/2022 - Secondary transfer meeting at 3:30pm in the hall

15/09/2022 - Secondary Schools visiting Y6 children and parent 3:30pm

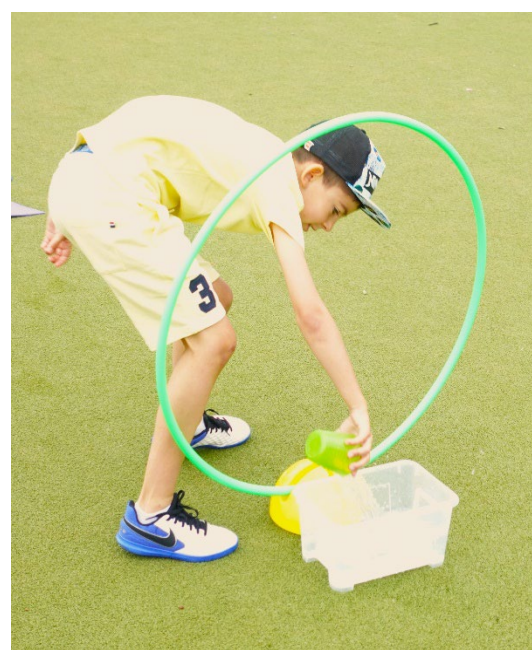
28/09/2022 - Y6 Shakespeare workshop

24/10/2022 to 28/10/2022 Autumn Half Term holiday

16/12/2022 - School closes at 2pm

Sports week 2022





What a fantastic week of sport and physical activity! It was great to have a 'normal' sports day and have everyone together again after the past few years. All the children were well prepared, enthusiastic and were able to show off their physical skills. There were sack races, egg and spoon races, tyre flipping, space hoppers, football dribbling and a water obstacle! The children encouraged each other and had a brilliant time!

This was the
best day ever!!

Maliha 2N

I jumped really
high over the
hurdles! Oshe
1A

The sack race was so
funny, people kept
falling over!

Nancy 1R



The winners of the infant and junior sports day were.....

Year 1 & 2	Northern
Year 3 & 4	Northern
Year 5 & 6	Circle

Thank you to all the staff for being enthusiastic and making it so enjoyable for the children. A big thank you to all the parents who were able to come along to support their children and celebrate with everyone.

Everyone had a thoroughly good time!!





Rights Respecting and Eco Schools

During the recent, very successful Summer Fair, we set up a stall to tell parents and visitors about the Rights Respecting and Eco work we do at Colindale. It was fantastic to see some of the Eco Ambassadors and Rights Champions come along to help carry out the surveys. Thank you to Avi, Kian, Emily and Isaac!.



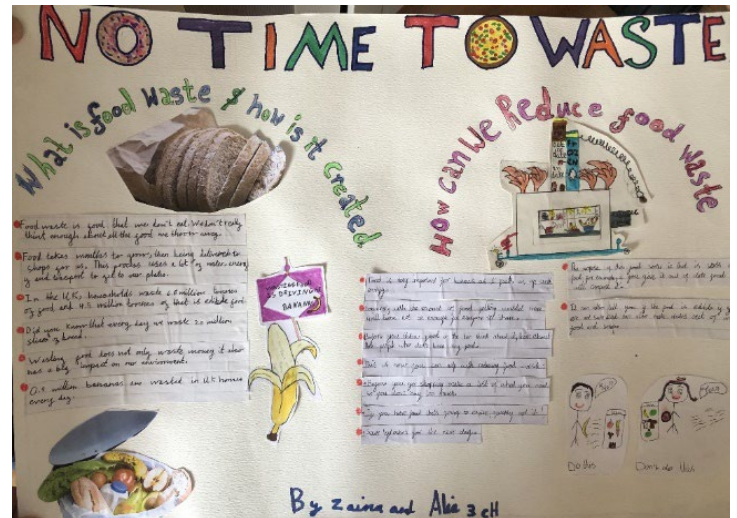
Many people we asked knew a BIT about our Rights and Eco work and some people knew a LOT about this – which was pleasing to hear. We will use the survey information to help us plan future actions for the next school year. Thank you if you took part in the surveys. Mrs McDonough – Rights Respecting
Mrs Grigoriadou – Eco Schools

Article for July

Article 23: A child with a disability has the right to the same opportunities as every other child. They should be given the support to be as independent as possible

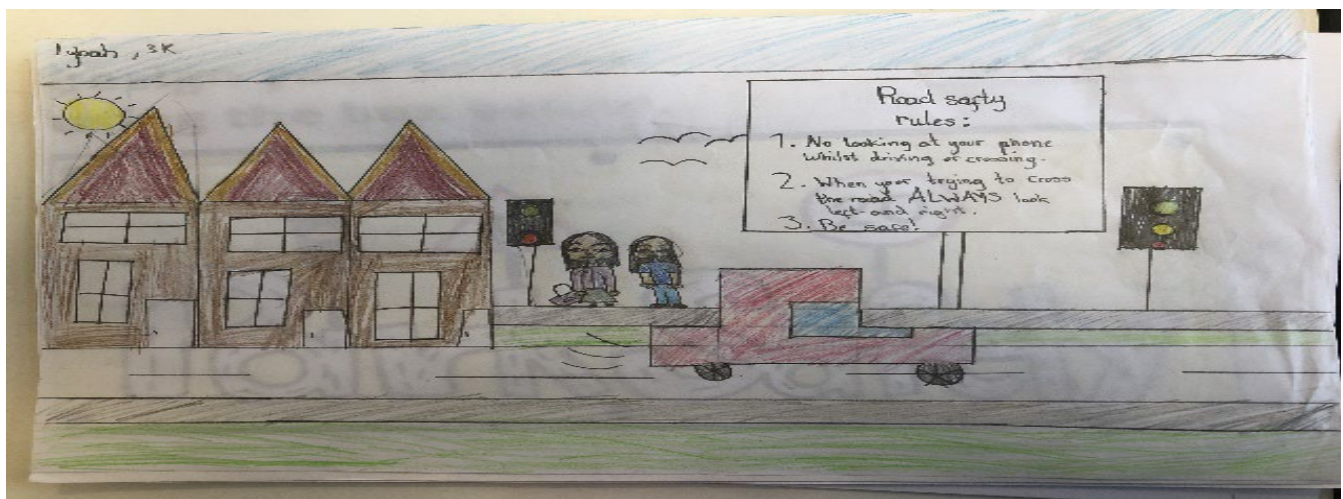
Eco and Healthy Schools

In April, Year 3 children had a workshop called **Moments Not to be Wasted**, which is an educational project on sustainable food and fair-trade food consumption. They also took part in The Talent Kitchen educational contest which was a creative contest inspired by the project. **Class 3CH**, with the most entries, won the **first prize** for our school, £1,000 worth of Whirlpool kitchen appliances! The judges were very impressed by the children's projects as they have shown an understanding of the importance of sustainable and inclusive cooking, contributing at the same time to the fight against food waste and to the affirmation of the social and environmental value of food. **Well done 3CH!**



Road Safety Competition

In June, all classes took part in a Road Safety competition. They had to design a banner with a message about road safety. We had 54 entries! The Barnet Road Safety officer was impressed by the quality of the designs and the children's talent and enthusiasm. **Lybah in 3K has won the first place!** Well Done, Lybah! Her design will be made into a banner which will be displayed in our school to raise awareness on road safety. Well done to all the children that took part in the competition!



Year 6: New schools, new journeys!

How can you help your child stay safe during their new journeys to secondary school?

Follow these 3 easy steps:

1. Read through and share this road safety booklet <http://itsajungleoutthere.info/> with them which contains all the information your child will need to keep safe.
2. Spend time with your child during the summer holidays walking them through their new routes to secondary school, using safe crossings and the Green Cross Code.
3. Teach by example: Cross roads how you would like your child to cross the road when you're not there.

Year 3 trip to Kew

As I sit here in the midst of a heat wave, my mind goes back to how lucky Year 3 got with the weather last Friday, we had a beautiful sunny day to take in the sights and sounds of Kew Gardens. The reason for going was to bring to life the children's learning in science along with some of the work they have been doing in the school gardens.



The children had a wonderful time. We set off from school on the coaches and arrived to blue skies and warm sunshine. The classes then headed off to explore different areas before meeting together again at the Children's Garden, late morning. Once they had explored the gardens we headed for the shade and some lunch. It was wonderful to spend this time with the children and one of the greatest privileges of being a teacher is witnessing the children's first-time discoveries. This was most evident as we walked around the different glass houses, including the famous Palm House. Whilst winding through the narrow-overgrown pathways within these glass cathedrals Jonathon in 3CH said, 'This is just like being an explorer.' He was right of course, the children were exploring the vast variety of plant life on the planet, mostly for the first time. As we wound our way through the greenhouses, ducking under giant leaves and marvelling at exotic looking flowers the air filled with 'oooohhhh' and 'ahhhhh,' as the children made discovery after discovery. You could hear how in awe they were about what they could see. They had a wonderful time and had their minds opened to the plethora of plant life that exists. Hopefully it will have inspired a few to explore this aspect of the natural world further. If you are able to pay the gardens a visit over the summer I would highly recommend it, despite the richness of the experience we only really scratched the surface.

Year 6 farewell

It is now the end of the school year and time to say farewell to year 6. The end of year performance was fantastic! Children sang beautifully, acted confidently, and worked well together to put on a great performance which we all enjoyed. Thank you to the children and staff who worked so hard to make the show a great success.



We hope all Colindale families have a great summer- keep safe and well and have fun! See you in September.