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PLEASE REMEMBER—READ WITH YOUR CHILDREN 5X A WEEK AND LOG IT ON Boom Reader (Formerly GoRead).

Older Children can do this for Themselves.

Boom Reader logs reading recorded from Saturday morning to Saturday morning.

No to Samaritans Purse

Just before Half Term, the school advocated and asked you as parents to support the Samaritans Purse Shoe Box appeal.

It has subsequently been brought to our attention that some of the views held by the organisers of Samaritans Purse, is not something that the school wants in any way to be associated with and the school apologises unreservedly for initially stating that we would be supporting this organisation.

We are currently looking at still doing Christmas Shoe Boxes, but supporting a local charity to make this happen instead.

If you have already completed a 'Shoe Box' and handed it in, thank you, it will not go to waste and we will confirm the new organisation as soon as we have confirmed with them. In the meantime, please do, if you are able, complete a shoe box with small items such as small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. If it is currently beyond your financial means, please don't.

Many thanks and apologies again, for any upset that may have been caused by the school's initial support of Samaritans Purse.

Science Home Challenges

Really well done to the children who have already been experimenting scientifically with the Science Challenges set by Miss Cook just before Half Term.

The science challenge sheet will be sent out electronically with this newsletter and will also be on the 'Welcome Page' of the school website.

For more information on the challenges Miss Cook has set, please go to:

<https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/life/parenting/g32176446/science-experiments-for-kids/>

I can't promise a newsletter entry every week, but I have been asked to include this as a prompt to everyone to be as scientific as you can.

Taylor and Tilly have been enjoying making their way through the Science Challenges at home. Please continue to send in any



photos/written up experiments into Miss Cook as we make our way through this half term.



Year 6 Dictionaries

Once again huge thanks to the Rotary Club, who came in just before Half Term to present every Year 6 child with their own dictionary.



Go Read Success



You will remember that last term I mentioned that the school had been successful in winning the GoRead Summer challenge.

Admittedly not all of our 630 children read all the way through the summer, but Mrs Skinner has unpicked the readers who made a huge and valiant reading effort and were without doubt huge contributors to the school's success.

GoRead Summer Top Readers:

Year 1: Elise, Macie, Olivia O, Zachary, Penny

Year 2: Barnaby, Daniel, Katie, Fletcher, Evie

Year 3: Thomas, Isabelle, Grace, Ethan A, Charlotte D

Year 4: Freddie, Sienna, George A, Joshua H, William, Bella

Year 5: Tabitha, Jack, Alicia, Stanley, Millie

Year 6: Emily, Amber, Finlay, Ayra, Dominic

Poppies

You will, of course, be aware that next Friday is Remembrance Day and as always, the school will be holding a minutes silence.

In both School Offices, we have both a box of poppies and a box of small items such as rulers, wrist bands, key rings, etc.

If you'd like your child to have a poppy, please send them in with 50p and they'll be able to get one from the office. Likewise if they'd like a small item, then you need to send them in with a £1.

Parents can also call into either office.

With current world events, it is as poignant as ever that we take a minute to reflect and remember the sacrifices that so many gave- 'When you go home tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow, we gave our today.'



Co-Op Colouring Success

Really well done to Kenzie who entered a local colouring competition—colouring so brilliantly that he won. His prize was fame and glory and perhaps more importantly—a bag of chocolate.



Our Jigsaw Theme for this Half Term—Celebrating Differences.

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Term Dates

Tuesday 20th December—Last day of Autumn term

Thursday 5th January—First day of Spring term

Diary Dates

Friday 11th November—
7.30p.m.—9.30p.m. PTA Bingo
Night. (Tickets available from both school offices)



Our Assembly Theme after Half Term is: What makes us Unique

The Big Question for the Autumn Term Assessment Period — Where are my Roots?

Article 12 (respect for the views of the child) Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. This right applies at all times, for example during immigration proceedings, housing decisions or the child's day-to-day home life.

Christmas Card Orders (Yes, I know, very sorry about this!)

Your child should have come home with a card showing details of how to order Christmas Cards with your child's design. The deadline for orders is **Monday 14th November.**

No orders will be taken after this date. All commission from the sales of the cards goes to the PTA. Many thanks for your continued support.

Colchester United.

Just a reminder about the 50% of tickets for the Colchester United home game on the 19th November.

Probably best to go and see them now whilst they're still in the EFL—this season is not going well. All details were in the newsletter just before HT or use this link:

Bookings can only be made in our family stand E5, E6, E7 and E8 using your unique school discount code: STJOHNS50%18 to get 50% off.

Please book here:

<https://tickets.colchesterunited.net/Tickets/BuyTickets/SeatSelection/34417>

Awards

STAR— Isabella (MM), CHARIOT— Tabasom (CC), JUMBO— Wolf (MLM).

EAGLES— Kenzie (MM), ROSES— Erick (RREX), CIRCUS— Sophie (MM).

MERCURY— Tessie (RREX), CLAUDIUS— Delphine (MM), ROMANS— Charlie (MM).

DUTCH— Zack (MM), ICENI— Lester (MM), PAXMAN— Olivia (MM).

CASTLE—William (CC), CAVALIER—Lola (MM), GARRISON— Zaryana (MM).

OYSTERS— Moses (MLM), MAGNETS— Luca (RROX), RAEDWALD— Tommy (MLM).

TRINOVANTES— Anna (RREX), CYMBELINE—Alfie (RREX), LATHES— Lukas (MM).

ATTENDANCE— Iceni

LIBRARY— Alishba (MM).