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our learning

# St John's Green Primary School

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We are all  
writers ...



## Newsletter

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### Diary Dates

Thursday 12th September. 6.00p.m. @ AF—Year 6 final information meeting for Year 6 residential to Kingswood.

Friday 13th September Year 5 Swimming Lessons start @ Garrison Pool.

Tuesday 17th September—Year 6 Swimming Lessons start @ Leisure World.

Thursday 19th September—Whole School Internet Safety Day from the '2 Johns'

Thursday 19th September—'What's Actually Going On-Line' a bespoke session for parents. This evening will include a video evening for all children of school age so parents can attend.

Sunday 22nd—Friday 27th September—Year 6 at Kingswood.

Monday 30th September—Friday 4th October—PE Week.

Monday 1st October. Individual Child Photograph's. Happy Days Photography' for children at AF.

Monday 1st October. 3.15p.m.—5.00p.m.—Sibling/Family group photographs @ AF. You just need to bring your family!

Thursday 3rd October. Individual Child Photograph's. Happy Days Photography' for children at T.

Thursday 3rd October. 3.30p.m.—5.00p.m.—Sibling/Family group photographs @ AF. You just need to bring your family!

Friday 4th October. Non Uniform Day for Team Temple—Purple.

Monday 14th October—Friday 18th October. Science Week—Growing.

Monday 14th October. EVFS 'Tiger who came to Tea' - Tea Party 2.30p.m. AF.

Monday 21st October—Friday 25th October. RE Week—Hinduism.

Monday 21st October. EVFS Room on the Broom' Fancy Dress up Day.

Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November. Half Term

Thursday 19th December—Last Day of Autumn Term.

Monday 6th January—First Day of Spring Term.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THERE ARE OTHER KEY DATES ON THE SCHOOL CALENDAR ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE.

### Swimming for Year 5/6

Just a reminder to Year 5/6 children that your swimming starts very soon.

Specific details will be coming out in a letter which we will also e-mail to parents.

Please remember that: Girls need a one-piece swimming costume and boys need swimming trunks (boys must wear swimming trunks and not swimming shorts.) Swimming shorts increase the amount of drag in the water and are not as hygienic as swimming trunks.

Children should not wear swimwear to school under their uniform as there are changing facilities at the pools. Swimwear should be with their towel in their bag and all children should change at the pool. It is not hygienic for children to be wearing their swimwear, walking to the pools, going to the toilet during the morning and then swimming in it.

Please also remember that girls and any boy with long hair must wear a swimming hat.

### Welcome to our New EYFS Children



A very warm welcome to our new children in EYFS, who have started school for the first time ever this week. Wednesday was tremendously exciting for the children in their first ever day. By today the reality of having to get up and go to school everyday had begun to set in and perhaps some of that initial 'school' enthusiasm had waned just a tad.

The EYFS staff are really proud of all the children and how well they have all done in starting school. So children really well done an excellent effort for your first week.

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.

Jane D. Hull

"Practice isn't the thing you do once you're good. It's the thing you do that makes you good." Malcolm Gladwell

### Assembly Theme for Next Week:

Help Others to Feel Welcome.

The Right we will be Focussing on this Half Term is Article 2:

### All Children have these Rights.

All children have these rights, no matter who they are, where they live, what their parents do, what language they speak, what their religion is, whether they are a boy or girl, what their culture is, whether they have a disability, whether they are rich or poor. No child should be treated unfairly on any basis.

### Aldi

Aldi are currently running a kit for school promotion with a further chance of six schools winning £20,000—which would be very nice.

If parents do shop in Aldi and you spend over £30 please could you collect the GB sticker and hand it in to the school.

We need 300 stickers to entitle us to an 'exclusive' sports kit.' Our PTA have very kindly offered to do the rest.

Please remember that the school cannot authorise Leave of Absence requests in September.

Leave of Absence requests at other times must be in writing and your child must have 97% attendance in the preceding 14 weeks.

### Mercury Theatre at Abbey Field

You will have noticed that the Mercury Theatre are getting close now to finishing their temporary relocation to Abbey Field.

This is obviously a huge undertaking as far as the Mercury Theatre are concerned and will enable them to carry out some essential works at their actual theatre.

Until the pantomime season starts at the very end of November the impact for the school should be fairly minimal as their performances are either at the weekend or in the evening.

**The biggest impact for the school is that the access to the drop down curb opposite the school is no longer accessible.**

**Please could parents abide by and do the following if parking in and around the Abbey Field site.**

- Park by the old Arena which is accessed by Circular Road East off Circular Road North—opposite Flag-staff Road.

- Use the drop down curb on Circular Road East Lower. (This is where I've been standing the last few mornings.)

- Please avoid driving up to the roundabout at the front of the school as this becomes very congested.

**Please could parents use the drop down curb only to access the Abbey Field—Please do not drive over the pavement.**

**Please also be very vigilant both parents/children walking and parents driving. I appreciate that everyone always has somewhere to go and somewhere to be—but speeding and rushing cannot be excused and no child's life is worth that extra 10 seconds.**

Many thanks

### Contact Details

If Parents have changed any of their contact details over the Summer please could you let us know in writing of your revised details.

Many thanks.

### Learning Dispositions



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On the back of the newsletter is an A4 copy of our Learning Dispositions. If you could pop it on your fridge, shoe cupboard, kitchen cabinet etc.

Please remind your children of the different Learning Dispositions we strive to demonstrate at school as it does reinforce their learning.

Many thanks.

### Colchester United

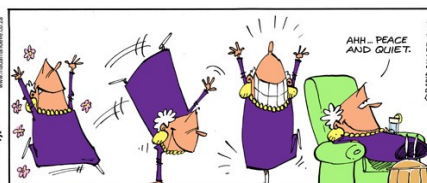


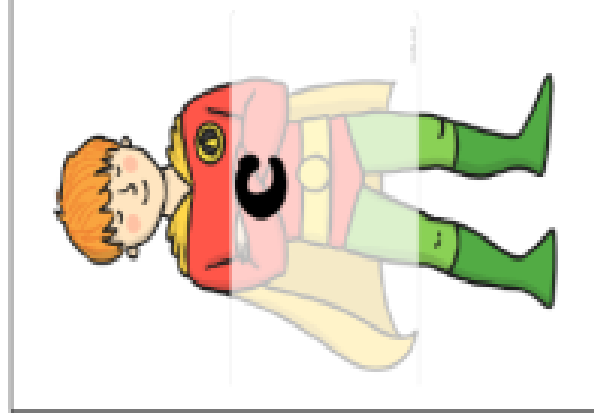
September is normally a bit early to be extolling the virtues of Colchester United but a third round home tie against Tottenham Hotspur in the Carabao Cup is very exciting.

Sadly, that is the week that I'm on residential with the Year 6 children so alas Colchester will have to cope without my presence.

For those of you that did manage to get tickets to the game—enjoy and we'll just avoid talking about it—no one wants to see a head teacher cry!

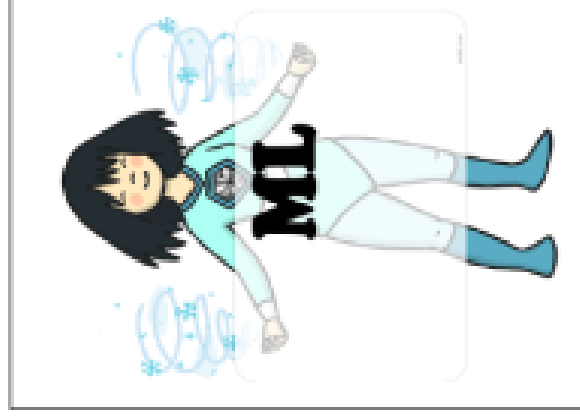
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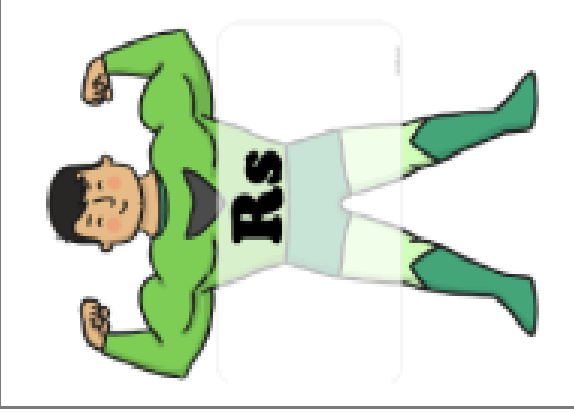
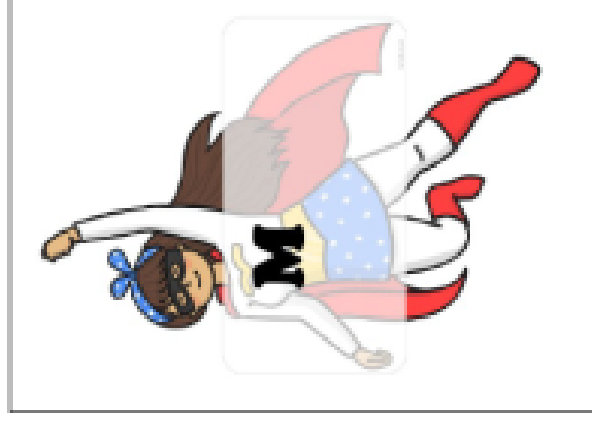
**Collaborating Carlos**

Work well together;  
support each other.



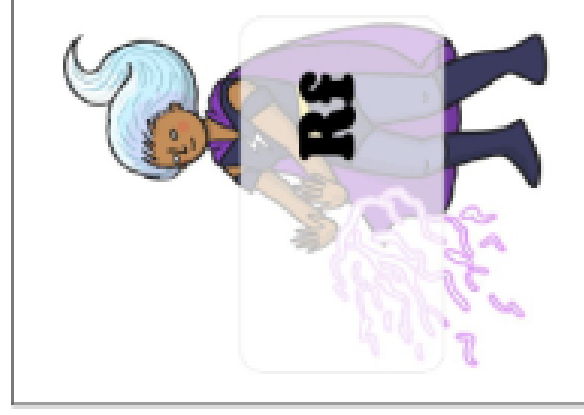
**Making Links Mollie**

Make connections across all  
areas of your learning.



**Resilience Rex**

Keep going even  
when it's hard; never  
give up.



**Reflecting Roxy**

Learn from experience; build  
on your learning.

## Learning Dispositions

**Motivating Melinda**

Be keen to succeed; try  
your best.