



Coleman Summer Newsletter 2024

Dear Families,

Welcome to the Summer Term newsletter. We have had a very busy and interesting term, with lots of trips and school events. Pictures can be seen on our X feed (formerly Twitter) @Coleman_Primary. X is also available through our website www.colemanprimary.co.uk

Thank you for your patience during the recent building work which has considerably enhanced the Reception and office areas as well as creating new office spaces within the school. The site is now much more secure and welcoming for visitors. Please remember to come to the front of the school to speak with office staff, rather than the side entrance which was used previously. We will have new signs to direct you shortly.

School news:

We are particularly proud of our athletics team who competed for the first time in recent years at Saffron Lane and of our dance troupe who performed at The Moving Together Showcase at The Venue at De Montfort University. These are new experiences for our children, and they were a credit to the school and their families. Thank you for supporting them in taking part in these events.



The dance showcase was around the theme of identity and our dance troupe named themselves “I am Who I am”. They designed their own t-shirts to represent themselves.

Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who ran a stall and came to support our summer Fair. It was great to see so many people attending and enjoying the wide range of stalls. We raised 608.78 to support the school.



Sports Day

Once again, we have seen great afternoons of sport with our pupils taking part in a range of activities to earn points for their house. Thank you to all those who attended and for the staff for organising such a fantastic series of events. The ice cream was very welcome and raised additional money for the school. Tigers (green) won the sports day house competition with 4080 points and the year’s overall winner is Riders (red) with 12,137 points. This year’s house point totals are as follows:

	Sports Day	Total for the Year
Foxes (blue)	3954	10,634
Tigers(Green)	4080	11,320
Riders(red)	3797	12,137
Panthers (black)	3900	11,020



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The KS2 children have also enjoyed competing in a euros Football competition, the winning Y3/4 team was Riders (representing Scotland) and the winning Y5/6 team was Panthers (pictured, representing Spain).



Walk to Paris



All the pupils in the school have successfully completed the walk to Paris covering a distance of 644 km between them. Thank you to everyone who raised money to support the school. We raised £369.58 which will go towards buying new books for our reading scheme.

Staff updates:

We are saying goodbye to two longstanding members of staff at the end of this term:

- Miss Katie Baker, our school business manager, has secured a promotion and will be working at Glebelands Primary School. I know that Miss Baker has been an incredible help and support to many of you over the 11 years she has worked here and has worked tirelessly to improve our school and ensure the children here have the best education. We will miss her. We have appointed a replacement, Mr Alkesh Davda, who is experienced in the role.
- Mr David Clifford is retiring from teaching, having taught at Coleman for 21 years. We wish him every success for his future endeavours and thank him for his hard work and dedication to the Coleman community.

We would also like to say a big thank you to Mrs Lorgat for teaching 5A this academic year since Mrs Allen left.

We will be welcoming a new Assistant Headteacher to school in the next academic year. Mrs Hutchison is an experienced teacher and leader and will be job sharing in Y3. She has visited the school several times and was here for the 'meet your new teacher' morning on 3rd July.



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Over the summer....

Summer Reading Challenge



The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children to use their local library and maintain their reading habits through the summer and aims to mitigate the dip in performance associated with a long break from reading that many children experience in the new school year. There are also some great, FREE activities for families to take part in, such as family fun days and creative activities, science activities,

lego coding workshops and workshops at the National space Centre. These must be booked in advance.

From 29th June until the 15th September, children aged 0-15 years can sign up to take part and complete the six book challenge. The offer is enhanced with a range of free family activities, all designed to promote reading for pleasure and the joy of sharing books and stories. There will be a £100 book prize to the school from which the highest percentage of pupils complete the challenge. For further information about the full programme of activities please visit leicester.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge

Holiday sports clubs:



We will be working with Premier Education next year to enhance the PE and sport provision we offer at Coleman. They are running some holiday camps at local schools during the summer holidays. Please see the flyer that has come out with this newsletter.

Don't forget: School re-opens on Tuesday 27th August 2024

We hope you all have a very happy and safe summer.

With best wishes,

All the Staff at Coleman Primary school