



# School News

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Dear Parents,

It's been another busy week here at school. On Tuesday evening I attended a meeting of the Colyton Carnival Committee, where I accepted two cheques on behalf of the school totalling a fantastic £1337! The school was one of the Carnival's main beneficiaries this year and we received £1000 to help us with the cost of new outdoor furniture. The £337 is a reflection of the work put into the Carnival by FAFA. This is just a part of the role played by the Family and Friends Association, fundraising on our behalf, enabling our children to have access to a great environment. If you feel that you have time or skills you could 'donate', please do speak to myself or Mrs Craker in the playground.

Speaking of the new furniture, we have ordered a number of new picnic tables and seats. The first of these are due to be delivered on Friday!

## Disco

The FAFA are going to run a school disco on Friday 24th February 4.30 - 6pm for the infants and then 6.30 - 8pm for the juniors. The party will consist of a disco and party games. There will be an entry fee of £1 per child plus a 'tuck shop' will also be available. In the interests of safety all children will have to be collected after the party by an adult.

## Pancakes!

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February, we will be holding our Pancake Races, to which everyone is invited to come and cheer for your team. However, I am making an appeal for old frying pans. So, if you have an old frying pan you could donate please do drop it in to the office. Thank-you

## Newspapers

I'd like to also make an appeal for any old newspaper you may have. The uses to which we put newspaper are many from table protector, celtic hut construction and even Roman shield manufacture. You will see a lovely yellow wheelie bin by the office door, please just pop any of your old newspapers in here. Oh, we would appreciate it if you could edit certain titles to ensure the content is child appropriate!

## Books

This week you child will bring home a 'letter' detailing the books that the computer in the library thinks that they have out. Could you please check for any of the older titles on this list. Thank-you

I'd like to finish by telling everyone that I will be available to see parents on Thursday mornings, again, from next week, between 9:00 and 10:00, for a coffee and a chat. If you have anything that you'd like to talk about, please pop in.

## A Word from...

### The Governing Body

At the end of January the term of office of one of our Parent Governors, Louise Wain, is coming to an end. Thus I am writing to invite parents, guardians and carers of registered pupils to put their names forward for election to serve as parent governors of this school. There is one vacancy.

All parents over the age of 18 are eligible to stand for election and to vote with the exception of:

- (i) those who are elected members of the Devon County Council
- (ii) those who are employed to work at the school for more than 500 hours in an academic year
- (iii) those who are ineligible as listed overleaf.

If you would like to put your name forward, please complete and return to me the tear-off slip by 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

It may be that you would wish to propose another parent to serve as a parent governor. Please note that in this case the parent in question should complete the nomination form after you have discussed this possibility.

If it is necessary for there to be an election I will provide further details of the arrangements.

If you'd like to know more about the role of a Governor, please feel free to have a chat with myself, or any of the other Governors in the playground. You can find the list of our Governors on the website.

N. Harris

**Diary Dates**

Class A Parachute and Skipping festival 0915-1030	30 January
Class D Roman Day	30 January
Class C Gymnastic celebration at Colyton Grammar	9 February
Half Term	13-17 February
Back to School	20 February
Pancake Races	21 February
FAFA Disco in the Hall, KS1 1600-1800 KS21830-200	24 February
Maths Morning for Pre-school and Reception Class Parents	29 February
Year 2 Dance Festival at AVCC	5 March
Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Festival at CGS, 1000-1430	16 March
Science and Technology Days	22 & 23 March
Parents' Evening	27 March
Parents' Evening	28 March
Easter Holiday	2-13 April
Back to School	16 April
School Closed for Staff Training	4 May
School Closed for Bank Holiday	7 May
Year 6 SATs	14-18 May
Jubilee Street Party from 1600 in the Market Place	3 June
Half Term	4-8 June
Back to School	11 June
School Closed for Staff Training	18 June
Summer Holiday	23 July – 2 September
Back to School	5 September TBC

**A person is ineligible to serve as a school governor if he or she:**

- is liable to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983
- is subject to a bankruptcy restriction order or an interim order;
- has had his or her estate sequestrated and the sequestration order has not been discharged, annulled or reduced'
- is subject to:
  - i) a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Act 1986
  - ii) a disqualification order under Part 2 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989
  - iii) a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002
  - iv) an order made under Section 492(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under a County Court administration order);
- has been removed from the office of charity trustee or trustee for a charity by the Charity Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement, or under Section 34 of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 from participating in the management or control of any body;
- is included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children;
- is disqualified from working with children or subject to a direction under Section 142 of the Education Act 2002;
- is disqualified from registration for childminding or providing day care;
- is disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the Childcare Act 2006;
- has received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months (without the option of a fine) in the five years before becoming a governor or since becoming a governor;
- has received a prison sentence of two-and-a-half years or more in the twenty years before becoming a governor;
- has at any time received a prison sentence of five years or more;
- has been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the five years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor;
- refuses to allow an application to the Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) for a criminal records certificate,
- are also the clerk to their own governing body.



**Election of a Parent Governor at Colyton Primary School**

I wish to serve as a Parent Governor and to be a candidate if an election is necessary. I confirm that I am eligible to serve as a School Governor.

Forename(s) – PLEASE PRINT .....

Surname – PLEASE PRINT .....

Date .....Signed:.....

***This form should be returned to the headteacher by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February***