



# COLLIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

16th July 2010

This is the last newsletter of this school year. We close for the Summer holiday next Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July, at 2.30pm in all departments. We re-open on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> September, at 8.50am. Children starting in Reception Infants and Nursery have been advised of specific starting dates.

### Staff Changes

There are no teaching staff leaving this term.

Sheila Barry, our Learning Support Assistant, leaves to take up a new post at Orleans Infant School. We thank Sheila for her time at Collis and wish her well in her new school.

Thank you also to Elaine McCormick for her invaluable help, especially in Yr 6 over the last year.

We welcome the following new appointments; Zoe King is an additional Nursery Nurse in the Nursery, Sacha Webster joins our Reception Infant Team as an additional Teaching Assistant; Glynis Manson joins the Administrative staff as our new Receptionist in the office.

### Yr 6 SATs (provisional)

Once again it has been an exceptional year at Collis and the SATs results are outstanding:

ENGLISH:	Level 4+	95%	L5+	61%
MATHS:	Level 4+	93%	L5+	59%

Level 4 is the standard expected for 11 year olds.

Level 5 is above national expectation.

### Birthday Assemblies

The September and October dates are: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 9.10am in the New Hall  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 9.10am in the New Hall

### September Year Group Parents' Meetings

We are giving advance notice of these meetings ahead of next term. This is an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and receive helpful information at the start of the school year. All start at 2.45pm:

Year 1 -	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 2 -	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 4 -	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 5 -	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 6 -	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> September

**NB The current Year 2 (next year's Year 3) will hold a meeting on Wednesday next 21<sup>st</sup> July at 2.30pm**

### Papal Visit to Teddington (St Mary's College)

Thank you to the many children who expressed a wish to attend this visit in September. Inevitably we had more entries than places available, from both children and staff!

The following children will attend -

Joseph Krajewski Yr 3, Phoebe Byrne Yr 4, Sam Reynolds Yr5, Becky Cheung Yr 5.

Miss Browning will accompany the children.

### Borough Sports

On Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 participated in the Borough Sports, competing against 34 other Richmond Schools. It was a fantastic day for the 8 children who participated in the event. Each child had to complete four events: a sprint, a long distance run, a vortex throw and a standing jump. They did brilliantly, returning home pleased and a little tired! Overall a great day for Collis. - *Laura Stinton, Yr 6 Teacher*

### **Arts Richmond - Young Writers' Festival Competition**

The Young Writers' Festival is a chance for you to show off your writing skills, in any form you like - a short story, poem, song lyrics or a week in the life of your diary. You can write about anything you like but try to keep it brief (about 500 words or 25 lines for a poem). You may have already written something this year, at home or in school, that you are really proud of, so why not enter that?

The closing date for entries is 30<sup>th</sup> September, so you can use the Summer holiday to try out some ideas. First prize is £100 and there are lots of other great prizes for short-listed entries.

You can hand your entry to Mrs Silverman (5S); make sure you include your full name and address, the title of your work, your email address, home phone number, your date of birth and the name of your school and school year. Good Luck! - *Anna Silverman, Literacy Coordinator*

### **CATS (Collis After time Scheme) - Summer Holiday Club 2010**

Although most places are now filled, **there is some space still available on the popular CATS Summer Holiday Club for the week Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August inclusive.**

Regular activities include swimming, cooking, team sports, indoor and outdoor games and treasure hunts. In addition this year, we are able to offer some NEW events: a circus workshop, bouncy castle, owl handling, story time with the local librarian and a look at the work of the St John's Ambulance Team.

CATS has recently received a strong Ofsted report, endorsing its standards of care of Collis children.

The Holiday Club is open to all Collis children - children do not need to attend the after-school club.

Hours are 9.00am to 5.00pm. Full days £22 and half days £11.

To book, please call Lee Digby after 3.30pm weekdays on 020 8973 0609 or call in (the enclosed quad near Yr 2 classrooms)

### **Computerkids**

Computerkids will be starting a new class in September, for all children going into Year 2. Please contact Robert on 020 8893 4250, or email [whizzkidz@supanet.com](mailto:whizzkidz@supanet.com).

### **Collis Fun Club**

Collis Fun Club are still taking bookings for the Summer Fun Activity Camp which runs from 9<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> August. Activities include swimming pool, army assault course, electric scooters, drama workshops, arts and crafts, computers, water slide fun and more. Please email [whizzkidz@supanet.com](mailto:whizzkidz@supanet.com) or phone Rob Philpott on 020 8893 4250.

### **African Footy Tournament - 'Send a Cow' Charity**

Our 'tournament' was held on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July when each class had chosen an African country to study and dressed in that country's colours (an extra mufti day - ref. newsletter 18<sup>th</sup> June).

African 'footballs', made of plastic bags and string, were used and the children had lots of fun with their kickabouts.

Thankyou for your donations for the charity 'Send a Cow' - we managed to raise £474!! The charity will use this money towards efforts to get African children out of poverty.

### **Playday 2010 at York House Gardens, Twickenham - 4<sup>th</sup> August**

Playday is the annual celebration of children's right to play. Playday is also a campaign that promotes better play opportunities for children and young people across the UK.

Parents, carers and children are invited to join in the fun with the play rangers. This runs from 10.00am until 3.00pm.

### **Hampton Hill Summer Festival - July 17<sup>th</sup>**

Tomorrow is Hampton Hill's first ever Summer Festival. It runs from 12 noon until 7.00pm. There will be live music and lots of children's entertainment, and is being organised solely to support three local charities: The Shooting Star Hospice for Children, Africa Revival and The Greenwood Centre (The Hampton and Hampton Hill Voluntary Care Group).

### **THANK YOU**

At the end of another great year we extend our thanks to all who have contributed to Collis' success. The CSA go from strength to strength - thanks to the whole team.

The children, staff, parents and governors have been exceptional and I thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm.

To our children and families leaving us, our best wishes go for continued success in your new schools.

I wish you all a very happy and restful summer holiday! **David Butterfield, Headteacher**

