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# Colvestone Primary School Newsletter



"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

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1. Nelson Mandela

#### Changes to House Time

By way of continuing improved teaching and outcomes at our school we have made some changes to our Monday provision. Children will continue to enjoy Mandarin, Gardening, Taekwondo, Music tuition and yoga but as a class. Activities will depend on the key stage your child is in. Please be reminded that these are enrichment activities in place to provide your child with a holistic education; we strongly encourage participation as opportunity comes in all shapes and forms.

We ask parents to support us in this by ensuring your child has the correct footwear and P.E kit on a Monday.

## Playground update

Please look out for the Colvestone staff fundraising effort before Christmas. Hazel Capper (parent of Didi yr6) has secured £5000 from West Hackney Parochial Trust. We will be working closely with Hazel to ensure the school provides what is necessary to secure money. We continue to stockpile all funds raised for the playground project.

Special thanks to Jules de Rosée, father of Margot (year 1) who raised £1,189 running the Hackney Half Marathon towards Colvestone's new playground fund.

The current fund now stands at £6,244.

If you would like to raise money for our playground, doing any sporting events or challenges, Colvestone's charitable status qualifies for gift aid that boosts donations by 25%.

We would also like to thank Saskia McDonald who secured £550 towards our playground fund.

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# New arrangements for breakfast club children

At Colvestone, our first responsibility is to ensure the safety of all our pupils, including the times outside the formal school day. To ensure the premises are secure, the gate into the playground will be locked until 8.45am. At this time, there will be adults in the playground to supervise pupils. If your child attends breakfast club, they will now enter school through the main entrance – an adult will be on duty from 7.45am in the school office.

If you arrive before 7.45am, please wait outside the main entrance. Please do not leave your child in the entrance lobby without an adult before 7.45am. Thank you for your support in our efforts to keep all our pupils safe.

### Colvestone healthy tuck shop

We have made a successful bid for funding from 'Hackney Health Heroes' to start a 'healthy snacks' tuck shop. Hackney Health Heroes is a Hackney council funded scheme to promote healthy lifestyles. The aim of the tuck shop is to encourage the consumption of a variety of fruit which has many health benefits and will provide an energy boost so children can remain focused on their learning right through to lunchtime. The tuck shop will remain free until Spring half-term after which we will make a small charge for items.

Each class will be involved in running the tuck shop one week each half term, helping to buy and prepare the fruit.



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