



Colvestone Primary School

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Dear Colvestone families,

New Year updates

Happy New Year to you all and welcome to the spring term at Colvestone.

Whilst we will all be aware of the continued challenges of COVID, continuity of offer and quality of education and provision remain a priority for us.

Staff capacity

We unfortunately will not be starting the New Year fully staffed as we do have members of the team currently isolating. Any plan we put in place at this time serves to ensure minimal disruption to your child's learning. We have limited capacity in the school office so are requesting that any payments are done on line where possible.

COVID contingency planning

Continuity of offer is one of our main priorities this term. If any of our teachers are absent for an extended period due to COVID, we will join the class with a parallel class so your child can still access their planned curriculum and learning. Support staff will be deployed so all classes, teachers and individual pupils are supported effectively. At Colvestone we believe that the children being taught and supported by the professionals they know is crucial to their well-being and a settled school so we will be using the resources within the team as far as and as much as we can to support a calm and productive term

We will also ensure there is a remote plan that is accessible to you should you need to isolate as a family.

Parents and visitors on site

Due to the increased COVID rates and in the interests of keeping all members of our school community safe, Big Read, Sing Up and workshops will not take place for parents until a suitable review point. The children will continue to participate in Big Read and Sing Up however and we hope to be able to invite parents in again soon.

Spring 22 Curriculum

Our curriculum theme for this term is Space and Aviation. Please look out for screenings of *'The Planets'* hosted by Brian Cox which we hope to be able to welcome you to in February.

This term we will also be having our second 'Forest School Day', marking holocaust Day, celebrating World Book Day, hosting a Heritage day and of course end with one of the highlights of the year – our annual Easter Bonnet Parade.



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Flexi-start

We continue to open our gates for learning at 8.45am. This term, children will have this focus time for more personalised learning in maths, spelling, and handwriting or topic research. We do encourage you to make use of this extra part of the school day and encourage your child to extend their learning opportunities.

Extended day offer

Clubs resume tomorrow with Spanish, homework, drumming, gardening on offer. We are pleased to be adding KS2 jewellery making (Monday), dance (Tuesday) and lunchtime fencing. Separate details and flyers will be circulated. We are pleased to be adding jewellery making (Monday), dance (Tuesday) and lunchtime fencing. Separate details and flyers

Attendance

Whilst we are conscious of the continued impact of COVID your child's attendance is still of paramount importance. We will send a separate letter regarding the impact of your child not being at school as well as updated COVID guidance to ensure that as a school we improve attendance this term.

As a community, I am confident that we will continue to work together, through all the challenges of COVID and beyond, to ensure the pupils of Colvestone have a happy, fulfilling and productive term at school.

Thank you in advance of your support.

Miss Caroline King
Executive Head Teacher