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Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back!

I hope you had a restful two week break and it has been lovely to see the enthusiasm of parents/carers and children at the school gate this week (perhaps for different reasons!).

All our teachers have said how happy and keen the children are to be back. We are really excited about our new summer term curriculum – **buildings: exploring the built environment**.

Your child will get a chance to find out more about the various jobs involved in creating buildings (architects, engineers, builders etc.), their different purposes and designs and comparing the buildings in different cities. I am pleased to say that maths will play a key part in this topic as children discover how important all aspects of maths are from designing buildings to constructing them.

Thank you to all of you who have supported your child creating a building structure to bring into school. We have seen some lovely examples and look forward to more. There will be pictures in next week's newsletter.

This summer term will be focused on ensuring your child receives a quality teaching offer every day – to enable them to make strong progress and fulfil their potential. We appreciate the work you did with your child(ren) during the second lockdown which is apparent in the strength of their reading, spelling, times table knowledge and handwriting on their return.

In order to support you continuing to support your child, you will receive a target sheet on Monday 10th May providing targets in reading, writing, maths and behaviours for learning for your child. We hope you will find this helpful. Parent conference will take place in the second half term – further details will follow.

Aside from improving your child's academic ability during this summer term, we will also be focused on improving their physical health and ability. **'Team Kickstart'** coaches are coming in every lunchtime to provide sports activities for two classes each day. We continue with our 'daily Mile' each afternoon and in addition we have a morning daily mile club **at 8.30am each Tuesday** – all pupils are welcome!



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From next Friday, we have a **lunchtime running club** starting – for Years 1-6 (numbers will be restricted). Further details will be on our website tomorrow (Friday 23rd). On Friday afternoon, some classes will receive an additional PE lesson as part of our enrichment offer. Our aim is to make Colvestone pupils the fittest in Hackney and, once competitions recommence, to start winning some medals!

A couple of reminders: **please ensure your child is wearing full school uniform each day**. This is important to make your child feel part of a learning community and research shows children focus more when smartly dressed. You can order replacement or additional items of uniform from our website.

Secondly, **from Monday 26th April, only school water bottles can be used in school**. All pupils were given a water bottle with their name on in September. School water bottles are sterilised weekly to ensure they are safe to use. Please ensure your child does **not** bring in their own bottle from this date. Replacement bottles are available from the school office price £1.

I hope you have a pleasant weekend.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Mr Wills Macfarlane
Head of School