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*The Week Ahead*

*Parent Interviews 3.15 – 5.45pm Monday to Wednesday*

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	BREAKFAST CLUB from 8am. £5. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	BREAKFAST CLUB from 8am. £5 Year 5/6 Girls' Football Match for selected pupils at Aylsham FC 9 - 1. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	BREAKFAST CLUB from 8am. £5. Swimming for selected pupils. Patrick Nash (author) book event at Beeston Hall for selected Year 6 pupils – leaving Colby at 8.45am. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	BREAKFAST CLUB from 8am. £5. After School club until 5pm. £5. Girls' Football Club with Hannah 3 - 4.15pm £5 (After School Club available after until 5pm). KS2 Boys' Football Club with Ben 3 – 4.15pm £5 (After School Club available after until 5pm). KS2 Netball Club with Mr B 3 – 4.15pm £5 (After School Club available after until 5pm).
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	BREAKFAST CLUB from 8am. £5. After School Club until 5pm. £5.  Family Friday on the school playing field from 3pm. Families are very welcome to use the playing field after school for children to play and meet up with friends.



WE PROMOTE STAFF WELL-BEING





**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024:** Football Match at Sheringham for selected pupils.

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024:** Netball Match after school at Hainford for selected pupils.

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024:** Cross Country at Gresham School for selected pupils.

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024:** Emerald Class trip to Inceborough am only.

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024:** Football Match at Colby – Colby Comets v Coltishall, 3pm kick off.

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024** (break up Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024 and return to school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024): School closed for Autumn Half Term.

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024:** After School Club Special – Pumpkin and Bonfire Night themed. 3 – 4.45pm. £5 per child. Includes refreshments and craft activities.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024:** Remembrance Service led by KS2 pupils at 9.15am. KS2 families welcome to attend.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024:** Friends of Colby School Christmas Fayre 3 – 4.30pm.

### **Amber and Sapphire Class Nativity Performances:**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 9.30am: Amber families only – 2 tickets available.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 1.30pm: Sapphire families only – 2 tickets available.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 9.30am: Sapphire families only – 2 tickets available.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 1.30pm: Amber families only – 2 tickets available.

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024:** Key Stage 2 Performance Rehearsal at The Atrium pm.

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024 and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024:** Key Stage 2 Evening Performances at The Atrium. Time to be confirmed.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024:** Christmas Party Food lunch.

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2024 – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025** (break up Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024 and return to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025): School closed for the Christmas holiday.



### **Asda Cashpot for Schools**

**£60.08 so far (+ £50 for us registering)! Thanks to the 60 people who have signed up!**

If you have a spare moment to get the Asda Cashpot for Schools app and register to Colby School (NR11 7EA), we would really appreciate it! Colby School gets £1 for everyone who registers, even if you don't shop at Asda. It all adds up! Please share with your friends and family.

Thank you for your help with this in advance.



### **Headteacher Awards**

**Kit (Amber)** for telling funny jokes  
**Isobel (Emerald)** for great maths work  
**Amber and Dylan (Amethyst)** for perfect division work  
**Lucas, Rita, Scarlett, Sebastian and Noah (Emerald)** for great learning behaviour  
**Verity and Charlotte (Emerald)** for excellent maths  
**Emily, Lucas and Sebastian (Emerald)** for awesome English  
**Daisy (Emerald)** for great RE  
**All of Emerald** for an excellent week  
**Charlie (Amber)** for lovely writing  
**Herbie (Emerald)** for fantastic English  
**Oliver (Emerald)** for great knowledge of how to use an atlas  
**Orin (Amber)** for beautiful writing and pictures  
**All of Amber and Sapphire Class** for a wonderful Harvest Festival Assembly  
**Harris (Ruby)** for being Star of the Week!  
**Edgar (Ruby)** for passing the Bronze times tables challenge  
**Margot, Kate and Barnaby (Ruby)** for passing the Silver times tables challenge  
**James (Ruby)** for passing the Gold times tables challenge  
**Evie (Amethyst)** for getting all the questions right  
**Matthew (Amethyst)** for great concentration in English  
**Barns (Amethyst)** for great maths  
**Ivy x 2 (Amethyst)** for brilliant maths  
**Alannah (Amethyst)** for excellent use of the column method  
**Mr Mead** for being a great influence  
**George and Teddy (Amethyst)** for an amazing sentence  
**Dylan (Amethyst)** for incredible writing  
**Verity, Emily, Leo, Scarlett and Rita (Emerald)** for brilliant writing  
**Milo, Edward, JP, Oliver, Emily and Daisy (Emerald)** for excellent learning attitudes  
**Oliver and Hugo (Emerald)** for excellent answers in geography



### **Cross Country Championships**

On Monday the whole of KS2 went to Beeston Hall for a Cross Country Championship. We were very lucky with the weather and Mr B even got sun burnt!  
Everyone was really determined and supportive and tried their hardest. There were lots of nice sporting moments when children were helping other children finish races and cheering each other on. Well done to everyone who ran, it was a really long way!  
A special mention to Amber C, JP, Anna, Nina and Reuben who were all medal winners.  
Barnaby and Nina (Sport Captains)



### Colby Comets -v- Millfield

On Thursday 10th October 2024 the Colby Comets played Millfield School and won 3 - 0.

The team was: Alfie, Adam, Otto, Dylan, Reuben, Barnaby, Bertie, George and Max

In the first minutes of the game Millfield were looking the better side but then Colby stepped up and scored 3 second half goals and dominated after the break. Adam scored 2 goals and Max played brilliantly in the 1st half. Alfie also scored 1 goal and stood out in the 2nd half of the game. A great team performance.



### Lost Property

We are struggling to deal with a never-ending pile of lost property at the moment. Weather changing throughout the day means that children are discarding their sweatshirts and cardigans. Unfortunately, the majority of our lost property is unnamed and this makes it very hard to get clothes back to the right children. Please could you check your child's clothes and other property (water bottles, packed lunch boxes etc) over the weekend and rename items if labels have faded. Thank you.



### Colby Kitchen

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Chicken and sweetcorn pasta bake, served with garlic bread and peas. A choice of fruit or yoghurt.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Chilli, topped with optional cheese, served with rice, broccoli and sweetcorn. A choice of fruit.
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Chicken in gravy served with roast potatoes, cauliflower cheese and carrots. A choice of fruit.
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Jacket Potato with cheese, beans, tuna / salmon and salad (cucumber, tomatoes, lettuce, beetroot).
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Sausages served in a bread roll with cucumber, carrots, peppers and humus. Tomato sauce available.



### More Headteacher Awards

**Giles (Sapphire)** for super independent writing  
**Ruby (Sapphire)** for being kind to a friend  
**George and Ellen (Amethyst)** for insane maths!



### Amber and Sapphire Class spellings

Each week Year 1s in Amber class and all of Sapphire class have spellings to learn at home. Their spellings are posted on Google Classroom each week for you to practise at home. If you haven't already logged onto your child's Google Classroom account please do so when you can so you can view their spellings. Their email and password has been stuck into their reading record.

It may be helpful to share with you the method we encourage children to use when they're practising their spellings at school. We ask them to write each word, then look at it, say it, cover it, write it and check it to make sure it is right. As they're becoming more familiar with this process in school, it should make practising at home easier as they will become fairly independent.

Their spellings will also be available each week via EdShed.com (we call this Spelling Shed).

EdShed includes fun games as a way of learning their spelling words. Your child's username and password has been stuck into their reading record.

We ask you to have a go at both writing spellings and EdShed at home to maximise word retention.

We will be sending spelling books home for the children to practise in. Please send their spelling books to school with them so that we can use them for the spelling check each Friday. We use the back of their spelling books for the Friday spelling check so feel free to use the front of their books to practise in.

Many thanks.

Miss Covell 😊



### Colby Runners do Parkrun!

On Sunday 20th October 2024, we are asking that as many Colby children as possible come along and try the Junior Parkrun at Blickling Park. It starts at 9am and is open to all children for free. Colby Running Club has been a big success and we think it would be amazing to keep up the momentum by all joining together for a fun Parkrun.

It would be amazing if children could come along in Colby P.E. shirts to show support for the school! See the flyer attached for all the details.

If you could email the office to let us know if you are planning to attend that would be amazing!

Hope to see you there.

Mr B, Nina, Amber and Barnaby.





### **Parent Interview Arrangements**

Teachers are looking forward to meeting with you next week to talk about how your child is getting on this term so far. I thought it would be useful to let you know some practical arrangements ahead of your appointments.

Amber Class Parent Interviews will take place in Amber Class. Parents should come to the adult entrance (flagpole) gate for entry to the school. The Amber annexe will be used as a waiting room for Amber Class Parent Interviews. It is located on the right as you walk into the flagpole area, with a green door. Please wait in the Amber annexe and Miss Covell or Miss Moore will come to collect you when they are ready to talk with you.

Sapphire Class Parent Interviews will take place in Sapphire Class. Please enter school grounds through the adult entrance and enter the building through the pupil entrance door in front of you. Please walk through the art gallery corridor, through the cloakroom area and right down the corridor to Sapphire Class. Please wait in the corridor and Mrs Frost will come to collect you when she is ready.

Emerald Class Parent Interviews will take place in Emerald Class. Please follow the instructions above and head along the corridor past Sapphire Class to find Emerald Class. Please wait in the corridor outside Emerald Class until Mr Brown comes to collect you.

Ruby Class Parent Interviews will take place in Ruby Class. Please enter the building as explained above and take a left hand turn into the library. Mrs Towers will collect you from there.

Amethyst Class Parent Interviews will take place in The Jungle. The Jungle is adjacent to the library. Please wait in the library and Mr Frost will collect you from there.

Amethyst mobile will be used for After School Club during Parent Interviews. After School Club will operate as usual, with a payment of £5 charged. We are unable to offer free supervision of children during Parent Interviews – sorry about that. If you don't want your child to attend After School Club, please make other arrangements – you are welcome to take them into the meeting, if need be.

Parent Interview slots are allocated for 10 minutes and teachers will need to keep to this time strictly to avoid delays. If you need longer to talk, teachers will arrange a second chat at another time.

*Have a lovely weekend!*

*Christine Mead*