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## Colby School News Issue 4 – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2025 The Week Ahead

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Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Phonics Meeting for Parents led by Mrs Frost at 9am.
	Year 3 and Year 4 Multi-Skills PE Event at Colby School. Please can all Emerald Class children and Year 4 in Ruby Class come to school dressed in their PE kit today. This event will be led by our Sport Captains and Sport Leaders. We will be joined by children from other local schools for this event.
	After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Amethyst Class trip to the Jonas Crab Factory. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Wednesday 1st October 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
	Amber and Sapphire Class Buddy Lunchtime Teddy Bears' Picnic Event.
	Girls' Football Club with Hannah 3 – 4.15pm £5 (After School Club available after until 5pm). KS2 Football Club with Ben 3 – 4.15pm £5 (After School Club available after until 5pm).
Friday 3rd October 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. After School Club until 5pm. £5.



















#### **Autumn Term Dates**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025:** Cross Country Event for all Key Stage 2 children (Emerald, Ruby and Amethyst) at Beeston Hall 1 – 4pm. PLEASE EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE WITH YOUR PERMISSION FOR YOUR CHILD TO ATTEND THIS EVENT.

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2025:** Reception and Year 6 National Child Measurements Programme (NCMP).

**Thursday 9**<sup>th</sup> **October 2025:** Amber and Sapphire Harvest Festival Assembly at 9.15am. KS1 Families are very welcome to attend this event.

## Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025:

Parent Interviews for Amber, Sapphire, Emerald and Ruby Class 3.15pm – 5.45pm.

## Tuesday 14th October – Wednesday 15th October 2025:

Parent Interviews for Amethyst Class 3.15pm – 5.45pm.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025:** Tag Rugby event at Holt Rugby Club for selected pupils 12.30pm – 4pm.

Friday 24th October 2025: School breaks up for the half term holiday today at 3pm.

No After School Club today.

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025:** School reopens for the second half of Autumn term.

No Breakfast Club today.

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025:** After School Club Special – Pumpkin and Bonfire Night themed. 3 - 4.45pm. £5 per child. Includes refreshments and craft activities.

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025:** Remembrance Service led by KS2 pupils at 9.15am. KS2 families welcome to attend.

## Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025:

Nativity Performance for Amber Class parents at 9.30am and Nativity Performance for Sapphire Class parents at 1.30pm.

### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025:

Nativity Performance for Sapphire Class parents at 9.30am and Nativity Performance for Amber Class parents at 1.30pm.

Please note, Amber and Sapphire children perform together in all four Nativity Performances. We allocate tickets for the performances by class for administration reasons. There is some flexibility for Amber parents to come during sessions for Sapphire parents and vice versa. You will be able to request this when more details follow nearer to the time.

# Key Stage 2 Christmas performance arrangements to be confirmed later in the Autumn term.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025: No After School Club today.

Friday 19th December 2025: School breaks up for the Christmas Holiday today at 3pm.

No After School Club today.



#### **Headteacher Awards**

To all Amber Year 1s for excellent behaviour in their Year 1 jobs
Fred (Amber) for fantastic sounds in phonics
Nevaeh (Amber) for being a kind friend
Richard (Amber) for cheering up the class with his lovely smile
Henryk (Amber) for great maths work

Arthur P (Amber) for excellent work with his sounds

Quinn, Harley, Norah, Alfie, Arthur C, Arthur P, George and Henryk (Amber & Sapphire) for super phonics work

Sharks phonics group for amazing work on their 'ea' sound
Esme and Clara (Sapphire) for LOADS of fantastic reading at home
Jude (Sapphire) for super description of 'emergency vehicles'
All of Year 2 (Sapphire) for super-duper partitioning in maths
Orin, Felix, Florence, Louis and Alannah (Sapphire)

for amazing extra tricky partitioning in maths

Felix and Louis (Sapphire) for being super role models in the 'daily mile' running

Ralph (Emerald) for great maths at home

Sebastian (Emerald) for brilliant independent maths
Charlie (Emerald) for a fantastic learning attitude in maths
Giles (Emerald) for being really kind at Breakfast Club

Isobel F (Emerald) for fantastic maths

Harry H, Olivia, George and Albie (Emerald) for completing extra optional homework
Phoebe and Ruby (Emerald) for brilliant maths
Ralph, Freya, Olivia and Stanley (Emerald)

for doing such a great job leading at their first ever multi skills event
Ralph, Charlie, Rosie and Poppy (Emerald) for showing great resilience
All the Year 4's, Rosie, George and Ruby (Emerald) for smashing life in Emerald this week!
Felix, Isabelle, Maia, Jacob B, Seb and Frankie (Ruby)

for a super start to Times Tables Rockstars

JP (Ruby) being so helpful when clearing out the Go Karts

Olive, Maya, Charlotte, Verity and Quinn (Ruby) for passing 'Finalist' times tables
Maia, Felix and Leo (Ruby) for passing 'Bronze' times tables

Kate and Herbie (Ruby) for passing 'Silver' times tables
Isabelle (Ruby) for passing 'European' times tables
Maia and Isabelle (Ruby) for being 'Stars of the Week'

Jack, Albert, Izzy, Harry, Bertie and Reuben (Amethyst)

for being the first to finish prime numbers 1 - 100

Hudson (Amethyst) for great determination and delegation when clearing out the Go Karts



## Communication during emergencies / reminders!

We use the Colby Facebook page and Colby WhatsApp group to reach as many people as possible in the case of an emergency or to issue reminders. Please sign up to the Colby Facebook page and Colby WhatsApp group (email <a href="mailto:head@colby.norfolk.sch.uk">head@colby.norfolk.sch.uk</a> with your telephone number and name of child), if you haven't already done so. It really helps with quick communication. Thank you.



**Colby Kitchen** 

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Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Macaroni cheese served with sweetcorn and peas. Fruit.
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Chicken and vegetable pie served with boiled potatoes, broccoli and carrots. Yoghurt / fruit.
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October, 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Beef and vegetable burritos served with rice. Yoghurt / fruit.
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2025	Teddy Bears' Picnic Buddy Lunch. Children are invited to bring their teddies to have a picnic lunch (pizza, sausage rolls, cheese and onion rolls, Pom Bears and salad) with their Buddies.
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Jacket potato with a choice of cheese, ham, baked beans and tuna and sweetcorn mayonnaise served with salad.
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October, 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Cheese and tomato pizza, chicken pizza or pepperoni pizza. Fruit.
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October, 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Pork meatballs in tomato sauce served with pasta, sweetcorn and peas. Yoghurt / fruit.
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October, 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Beef and vegetable pie served with boiled potatoes, broccoli and carrots. Yoghurt / fruit.
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October, 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2025	Breaded chicken and tomato salsa wraps served with vegetable couscous.
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	Jacket potato with a choice of cheese, sausage and spaghetti hoops served with salad. Fruit.
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October, 24th October 2025	Fish fingers in a bread roll served with potato wedges and salad sticks (cucumber, carrot and pepper). Yoghurt / fruit.



#### **Volunteers**

We are very grateful to parents / family members for help with transport for trips and sporting events. We wouldn't be able to do so much without your support. If you think you might be able to help with transport this school year, please contact the school office to arrange to come and complete a Disclosure and Barring Service Check. It is a simple and free check that will only take about 15 minutes to complete.



Sapphire reading

We are looking for helpful grown ups to support Sapphire children with their reading! If you have a spare hour or two and would like to come into our class and listen to our lovely children read, please let me know. We look forward to hearing from you!

Mrs. Frost



## **Sports Leaders**

Congratulations to our new Sports Captains and Sports Leaders. These wonderful young people have consistently shown confidence, resilience and dependability during PE or Sport sessions in the last year and have really impressed. I look forward to working closely with them across the year to support Physical Literacy and extra Sport opportunities across the school.

Sport Captains - Reuben and Bertie

Sports Leaders - Harris, Barney, Kate, Margot, Izzy, Amber and Noah

#### **KS1 MultiSkills**

Well done to all of our amazing Sports Leaders and Sports Crew for their confident and enthusiastic leadership at our annual Multi Skills event on Monday. The children were confident when leading their activities and then supported the younger children really well. Staff from other schools commented that the Sports crew were very organised and were a great advert for the school. Yay!

Thanks as always to Ben for providing meticulous logistical support!

Mr B



**Emerald Biomes** 

In Emerald we are hoping to build some Biomes for our Geography and Science work so if anyone has any shoe boxes, cereal boxes or any boxes at all they would be happy to donate we would be most grateful!

Thanks

Mr B



## **Emerald Spelling**

We have finished our early term assessments and spellings have been handed to children this week. Our weekly test will be on a Monday morning. Children will have a week to practice them at home and we will also spend time in school looking at the rules and patterns their weekly spellings follow.

All children have a spelling book that needs to be in school each day but if you can't find it then all the spellings will be on Spelling Shed.

Ideally 5 minutes 2 or 3 times a week will be plenty!

Thanks for your support

Mr B



## **Colby Running Club**

Running Club has started up again and already the children have shown great energy and enthusiasm. We did a run to the park last week and this week we have some high intensity efforts! All of our lovely adult helpers were either injured or recovering from long runs so the children all pushed each other on this week.

Congratulations to Kate and Lily who have completed 10 sessions and have achieved their Colby Runners bracelet and to a huge list of ultra awesome runners who have all passed 20 runs to earn their Colby Runners badge. Bring in your £1 and I can hand them out in assembly straight away.

20 Runs; Reuben, Oliver M, Jacob B, Isobel, Hugo, Harris, Edward, Dylan, Daisy, Bertie and Amber.

We plan on having some exciting new merchandise for the Running Club very soon.

Well done and keep on running!

Mr B



## Thank you for lots of books!

A huge thank you to Martha's parents (Amber) for donating lots of new phonics' books for Amber Class to enjoy. Amber Class children and staff are very grateful and will enjoy working their way through all the new stories. Thank you very much – we really appreciate it.



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Car Park Safety

Parents have expressed concerns about cars being parked on the footpath near the car park. Please could you avoid blocking the footpath so families who walk along it don't need to step into the busy road.

The carpark does get very busy and your help with keeping everyone safe is appreciated. Please try to park as close to each other as you can safely. Perhaps consider car sharing with families who live near you? Families in catchment could consider using the school bus?

Some of you have suggested staggered pick up / drop off times - unfortunately, we can't have the staggered pick up / drop off times that we had during Covid due to rules regarding school hours (which were relaxed by the Department for Education during those times).

If you have any ideas about Car Park Safety improvements, please let me know. Thank you for your help and support with keeping each other safe.

Have a great weekend!

Christine Mead