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Friday 24th November 2023

Monday 27 th November 2023	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Tuesday 28 th November 2023	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Reception and Year 1 Dance and Yoga Club with Miss Covell from 8.30am before school in Amber Class (no charge). KS1 and KS2 Choir (combined) with Mrs Towers from 8.30am before school (no charge). After School Club until 5pm. £5. KS2 Recorder Club with Mrs Towers 3 - 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available after until 5pm).
Wednesday 29 th November 2023	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Sapphire Class trip to Felmingham Church this morning. Reception and Year 1 Dance and Yoga Club with Miss Covell from 8.30am before school in Amber Class (no charge). KS1 Football Club (girls and boys) with Hannah B. 3 – 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available after until 5pm). After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Thursday 30 th November 2023	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. KS1 and KS2 Choir (combined) with Mrs Towers from 8.30am before school (no charge). Ruby Class Ukulele Performance at 9am. After School Club until 5pm. £5. KS2 Art Club with Mr Frost 3 – 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available until 5pm.) KS2 Football Club after school 3 – 4.15pm with Ben. £5. (After School Club available after until 5pm.) KS2 Netball Club with Mr B after school 3 – 4.15pm (After School Club available after until 5pm).
Friday 1 st December 2023	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Free Dress Day for Chocolate Tombola Prizes – donations of chocolate items would be much appreciated. After School Club until 5pm. £5.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 5th December: Amber Class Christmas Craft Afternoon from 1.30pm – parents / families very welcome. Please send Miss Moore / Miss Covell a message on Tapestry if you are able to attend.

Friday 8th December: FOCS Christmas Fayre in School 3pm.

Monday 11th December: KS2 Full dress rehearsal at The Atrium for Christmas Production. 12pm – 2pm.

Tuesday 12th December: KS1 Nativity performance in School. 9.30am for Amber Class families. 1.30pm for Sapphire Class families. 2 tickets per family.

Wednesday 13th December: KS1 Nativity performance in School. 9.30am for Sapphire Class families. 1.30pm for Amber Class families. 2 tickets per family.

Wednesday 13th December: KS2 Christmas Pantomime evening performance at The Atrium.

Thursday 14th December: KS2 Christmas Pantomime evening performance at The Atrium.

Monday 18th December: School Disco! More details to follow. Thank you to Vikki and Megan (Colby Kitchen) for organising this event.

Tuesday 19th December: Christmas Party Food lunch. Christmas jumpers / Christmas outfits.

Thursday 21st December 2023 – Wednesday 3rd January 2024: School closed for the Christmas holiday.

Thursday 4th January 2024: School reopens for the Spring term.



Headteacher Awards

Orin (Amber) for being very sensible and responsible with a toy.

Giles (Amber) for amazing independent news writing.

Noah (Sapphire) for bringing in some Orla Kiely fabric for our art work

Leo (Sapphire) for knowing that our number bonds to 10 help us with trickier calculations

Isobel (Sapphire) for wonderful maths

Lily, Jaxson and Verity (Sapphire) for beautiful handwriting

Hugo and Sebastian (Sapphire) for knowing that a plesiosaur was an aquatic dinosaur

Milo (Sapphire) for being helpful

Felix (Sapphire) for a superb show and tell on endangered creatures

All of **Sapphire Class** for being kind and helpful to Mrs Frost

Verity and Noah (Sapphire) for showing amazing leadership skills on School Council

Sebastian B (Sapphire) for amazing independent reading with great use of phonics

Herbie, Quinn and JP (Sapphire) for super maths

Lily, Jaxson and Verity (Sapphire)

for perfect manner and participation during the Christmas Play rehearsal

Milo (Sapphire) for excellent extra maths

Lily (Sapphire) for fantastic reading with Mr Frost

Albie (Sapphire) for super spelling of “freeze”

Quinn and Albie (Sapphire) for great historical timeline work

JP (Sapphire) for great knowledge and understanding of nature

Herbie (Sapphire) for helping his friend when they were worried

Orin (Amber) for amazing handwriting

Stanley (Ruby) for fantastic equivalent fractions

Alfie, Bea, Anna, Adam (x2), Barnaby, Ines, Amber C, Ivy, Ellen,

Stanley, Otto, Evie and Max (Ruby)

for super converting of improper fractions to mixed numbers and vice versa



Amber and Sapphire Performances

Amber Class and Sapphire Class are working very hard to prepare for their Christmas Nativity and we hope you will join us for a performance.

There will be four performances which children from both classes will take part in. We have allocated tickets for each class at performances to ensure an even spread of audience numbers due to limited space.

Performance times are as follows:

Tuesday 12th December at 9.30am: Amber families only – 2 tickets available.

Tuesday 12th December at 1.30pm: Sapphire families only – 2 tickets available.

Wednesday 13th December at 9.30am: Sapphire families only – 2 tickets available.

Wednesday 13th December at 1.30pm: Amber families only – 2 tickets available.

Please contact the school office on office@colby.norfolk.sch.uk by Monday 4th December 2023 to request your tickets. You are entitled to 4 tickets over the two performances allocated to your class. Please include your child's name in your email. We will need to be strict about ticket allocation because space will be limited in the Hall.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.



Prospective parents for Reception 2024

It has been my pleasure to show round prospective parents for Reception 2024 recently. Colby children have shown their usual enthusiasm, happiness and confidence when I have popped into classrooms – they really are the very best advert for Colby School!

If you've looked round recently, it has been lovely to meet you. Please remember, you are very welcome to 'phone or email with any additional questions. You might also find it useful to look at the Colby School Facebook page (I've re-posted the Virtual Tour we used back in 2020 – you might like to take a look if you didn't get a chance to visit our playing field during your tour).

We understand choosing a school is a huge decision, so please don't hesitate to ask if there is anything we can do to help you make up your mind. There are lots of great schools in the area, so it's all about finding the one that suits your child best.



Junior Parkrun

Last Sunday it was fantastic to see some new runners from Colby, and some who hadn't done it since last year, take part in the Blickling Junior Parkrun in preparation for the schools cross country finals that were held this week. It was a great opportunity for some to get some last minute practise in.

There were 4 Colby children who finished in the top 10 on Sunday. Well done to Ophelia (Amethyst), Adam (Ruby), Barnaby (Ruby) and Dylan (Emerald), with Ophelia and Barnaby also achieving PBs. A fantastic performance by Kate (Emerald) who also completed her first ever parkrun.

Hannah Burton



Donations needed please

We would like to have any donations to help look after hedgehogs please. The RSPCA East Winch Wildlife Centre would like to have old towels, newspapers and flannels because they have over 150 hedgehogs in need. Please give any donations to Eleanor in Amethyst. Thank you for the support.

By Eleanor (Amethyst) Head of Eco.



More Headteacher Awards

Milo and Edward (Sapphire) for great explanations in Computing
Hugo, Felix, Verity, Lily, JP, Emily, Jaxson and Leo (Sapphire)
for great tally charts and pictograms

Edgar (Emerald) for being kind and helpful to others in Computing

Arwen, Oscar, George, Freddie, Archie, Harry, Ruby, Mia, Giles, Stanley and Charlie (Amber)
for brilliant fact families in Maths.

Etta, Florence and Orla (Amber) for acting out the story of Jack and the Beanstalk.

Mia and Harry (Amber) for brilliant writing about their families.



Year 6 family trip

Year 6 families should have received an email about the possibility of a family trip to Slovenia. Please could any expressions of interest be passed on to Mrs Mead by Monday 27th November, so we can decide if it is viable to go ahead with the next stage of planning. Thank you.



Christmas Concert

The Choir and Recorder Club have been asked to perform at Cromer Parish Hall on the 4th December 2023. This is part of the Cromer Parish Council Christmas concert for the over 60s. It would be great to see as many children from Colby there to take part in this lovely event. If your child can attend, then they will need to arrive at the Parish Hall at 6.45pm. Our part in the event will finish at approximately 7:30pm and you will be able to take your child home straight after our part in the concert. Although the concert is for over 60s, parents are welcome to stay and watch their child. Ben, Mrs Mead and Mrs Towers will be in attendance at the event.

If your child is attending, please could you let me know by emailing me on wtowers3nr3@nsix.org.uk. I will be putting up the words and music to the songs on Google Classrooms so that your child can learn them further. We will continue to have rehearsals next week before school on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30am as well as some ad hoc rehearsals at lunch times. I look forward to seeing as many children there as possible. Thanks, Wendy Towers



Cross Country Championships

A huge congratulations to all of our special runners who represented the school so magnificently on Wednesday. Running against eighty children per race can be a really overwhelming situation and the children did themselves proud with their spirit and attitude. You supported each other, cheered on friends from other schools and all had a memorable experience. We are very proud of your achievements! Well done. Thanks again to all the parents who support and encourage in a way that allows children to achieve their best! Mr B and Ben



Friends of Colby School

Preparation for the F.O.C.S Christmas Fayre on Friday 8th December 2023 is in full swing. The Christmas Fayre Raffle tickets have gone home with your children this week. We have some great prizes.

Please kindly sell as many as you can and return stubs and money to Colby School no later than 5th December 2023. If you have any unsold tickets can you please also return these so they can be redistributed. The tickets have been very popular. If you require any more Raffle tickets, these will be available from next Tuesday at the School gate from Carly (Archie's Mum) or from the School Office.

Lucky bags will be coming home with your children next week to fill and Free Dress Day will be held Friday 1st December 2023 in exchange for a chocolate Tombola Prize.

We thank you in advance for your support.

F.O.C.S

Christine Mead