

Parent update 15th November 2024

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At Colebourne we C.A.R.E

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OFSTED REPORT

We have now received the OFSTED report from our recent inspection. This was a 2 day ungraded inspection and the OFSTED outcome states: "Colebourne Primary School has taken effective action to maintain the standards identified at the previous inspection."

You can download the full report from our school website: https://www.colebourne.bham.sch.uk/statutory-information/#ofsted-reports

It will also appear on the OFSTED website in a few days time.

A few quotes from the report are:

"Pupils feel safe and happy in school and enjoy their learning. There is a strong sense of community, both within the school and beyond.

Parents and carers enjoy all that the school offers. One parent shared, 'The school provides a safe environment where our children can flourish'.

The school is a calm and purposeful learning environment, where children achieve well.

Adults care about the pupils and want the best for them. In doing so, they encourage pupils to have high aspirations for themselves and what they can achieve.

Pupils take pride in their work.

There are many clubs and trips that pupils are encouraged to be part of.

One pupil said, 'No matter what you are interested in, there is something for you at Colebourne.'

The school provide an interesting and engaging curriculum that is broad and balanced. Staff drive this with real ambition and work towards the best possible outcomes.

Early years provision is high quality. The interactions between adults and children are excellent. Provision is strong in every corner of the early years environment, inside and outside. Children are settled and happy.

Pupils are enthusiastic learners and are proud of their achievements.

Classroom environments are well organised and effective spaces for pupils to concentrate and learn.

Pupils engage in their lessons well and respond showing respect. They produce work that is high quality.

The school is highly committed to ensuring that all pupils take part in opportunities to support their personal development.

Staff enjoy the opportunities to develop as professionals and feel proud to work at the school."

We would like to thank all the pupils, staff, parents and governors who were involved in the inspection and for their continued support for the school.

We continuing our work to ensuring the best possible care, support and outcomes for children, families and staff.

"Working together to achieve success for all"

Healthy Snack Reminder

If children are bringing a snack from home, please ensure this is a 'healthy snack.'

Children must not bring in crisps or chocolate items for breaktime. Please watch out for hidden sugars in certain cereal bars.

Top snacks ideas include: Fruits; Vegetable sticks; Dried Fruit



50 Things Challenge – Catch a falling leaf – register for a certificate

If you child has caught a falling leaf – please complete this short form so that I can issue them with a certificate.

Children have until Monday 18th November, 9am to catch a leaf and submitted the form.

If you managed to get the catch on video, please send that moment to s.guest@colebourne.bham.sch.uk with the subject: Leaf, as we may create a short compilation video.

Catch a Falling Leaf Certificate Form

Punctuality

A reminder that the school gates close at 8.40am. This includes the top gate.

8.40am is the start time of lessons and all children should be in class at this time.

After this time parents should walk the children via the vehicle entrance. All children must be supervised using this entrance.

PE Days for Autumn 2nd Half Term (Updated 11/11/24)

Please see below an updated list for PE kits days.

Apologies for the changes and we hope that there will nt be any further changes this half term.

There have been changes for Year 2 and Year 5.

		PE	Sports Coaching		
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RN					
RT					
1G					
1H					
2F					
2M					
3B					
3C					
4K					
4M					
5G					
5P					
6A					
6T					

<u>Compass – Parent/Carer online drop-in sessions</u>

Compass is leading the way in supporting the mental health and emotional wellbeing of children, young people, and families in selected educational settings across Birmingham.

Birmingham Mental Health Support Teams (MHST) offers free, and confidential support to Children, Young People and Families with mild to moderate emotional health and wellbeing needs.

Whether it is feeling sad, scared, worried, or experiencing challenges like anger or frustration, Compass is here to connect you with the right help.

Compass Birmingham MHST works across selected schools in the North and East of Birmingham, working directly with primary and secondary schools to ensure every child and young person has access to the support they need.

How Can We Help You

The Compass team of compassionate and friendly Practitioners, are here to support you in building coping skills and strategies for a range of issues, including:

- Low mood and motivation
- · Anxiety and irrational fears
- Challenging behaviours like angry outbursts or frustration
- Difficulties in family and peer relationships
- Adjusting to change and transitions.

Compass currently work at Colebourne supporting some of our pupils. They also offer a drop-in service for parents to ask about services or to seek support for their children.

Every <u>Tuesday 11-12:30pm</u> (<u>until 17th December</u>), our Families Practitioner holds an informal online parent/carer drop-in. This is a space for families to find out more about Compass, have any questions answered or have signposting support.

The flyer contains a QR code that parents can scan at the time of the session or they can follow the link here:

https://bit.ly/484SR9g



A safe confidential space for Parents/Carers to gain support & guidance from Compass Birmingham.



The drop-in will give you an opportunity to find out more about the support we can offer and have your questions answered.



When?

Every Tuesday 11-12:30pm (8th October- 17th December 2024)

Where?

Sessions will be online and and you can access it by scanning the QR code.

Please note: Time will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. You will be asked to wait but please know that the practitioner will be aware and will let you in as soon as its your turn.





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Operation SNAP – West Midlands Police

https://www.westmidlands.police.uk/police-forces/west-midlands-police/areas/campaigns/campaigns/operation-snap/

At Colebourne, a small minority of parents commit driving offences in and around the school grounds, including parking on verges, on corners of roads and on the crossing.

If you take a photo or video, this can now be sent directly to the police via Operation Snap

Please see information from West Midlands Police about Operation Snap



We want to make sure our roads are as safe as possible for all users. That's why we have Operation Snap (Op Snap) - and we need your help.

If you see anyone committing driving offences on our roads and it's captured on your dashcam, CCTV or a mobile phone by a passenger, we want you to send it in to us.

Offences might include:

- dangerous driving
- using a mobile phone while driving
- not wearing a seatbelt
- failing to stop at a red traffic light
- using a trailer in lane three of a motorway
- crossing solid white lines
- other offences where a driver is clearly not in proper control of a vehicle

Every piece of footage sent to Op Snap is reviewed by specially-trained staff.

If an offence is identified, the driver can be prosecuted or told to take a driver improvement course.

Each month, WMP publish a report for the offences. Here is a snip from the July 24 publication.

Arona	Grey	Stop a vehicle within pelican pedestrian crossing limits	Washwood Heath Road	Birmingham	Fixed Penalty
508 Active	Black	Stop a vehicle within pelican pedestrian crossing limits	Washwood Heath Road	Birmingham	Fixed Penalty
M Sport	White	Stop a vehicle within pelican pedestrian crossing limits	Washwood Heath Road	Birmingham	Fixed Penalty
Transit 350	White	Stop a vehicle within pelican pedestrian crossing limits	Washwood Heath Road	Birmingham	Fixed Penalty



Stall holder bookings – click here: → BOOK A STALL ←

Extreme Weather Response

At Colebourne we have an extreme weather policy which supports us in ensuring the safety of pupils, staff and families.

You can see the full policy via the **policies link** on the new school website parents section: https://www.colebourne.bham.sch.uk/parents/

This policy outlines our procedures and actions in response to extreme weather conditions, particularly when yellow and red warnings are issued by the relevant authorities. Please note the following information regarding how we communicate any changes with parents:

Please note:

- School is open unless a message is sent to say otherwise.
- We will always announce any unexpected school closure via Class Dojo
 AND direct in-app message via Arbor. If there is no message there is no closure.
- Parents should not need to call the office or message staff to ask if we are open or closed – they should check messages first.
- We DO NOT typically message parents to say school is open, UNLESS there is significant snow and we wish to be clear regarding school being open.

Items from previous updates:

Autumn 2nd Half Term Dates and Christmas Activities

We have now published the dates for the second half of the Autumn term – please see the diary dates at the start of this newsletter.

We hope you will be able to join us for some of these events.

Please note that the Autumn Term for children finishes on

Thursday 19th December at 12.40pm

Reception admissions for Sept 2025

Applications are now open for Reception class entry for September 2025. The closing date is 15th January 2025.

If you would like your child to get a place in our reception, you need to make an application directly to the local authority where you live – for most people this will be Birmingham.

Apply via the local authority website https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

You must apply on time. If you apply late, you are less likely to get offered a place at any of your preferred schools. Applications received after the closing date will be classed as late applications and will not be processed until after the offer of places which usually take place in mid April

- attendance at a nursery class does not give a child automatic priority
 for a place you MUST still apply via the Local Authority
- do not wait until your child is 5 years old, or your preferred school may already be full

You can list up to 3 preferred schools when you apply.

Visit http://birmingham.gov.uk/school-admissions for more details.





Colebourne Primary School

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Reception Admissions for September 2025

Parent information meetings

(in person or via Teams)

Thursday 21st November 2024, 9.30am Thursday 9th January 2025, 9.30am



Our School Aim

Providing children with a secure, happy and stimulating environment, inspiring them to become confident, life-long learners, and responsible members of society.

Term dates and staff training days for the year

The updated term dates and the staff training days are on the school website: https://www.colebourne.bham.sch.uk/diary-and-term-dates/

Remaining Staff Training Days:

STAFF TRAINING DAY 3: Friday 20th December 2024

STAFF TRAINING DAY 4: Monday 6th January 2025

STAFF TRAINING DAY 5: Monday 21st July 2025

Scooters and Bikes

The use of scooters and bikes to get to school is encouraged and it is great to see children using this to get to and from school.

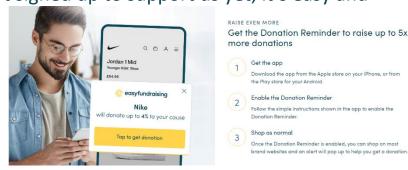
Just a quick reminder please:

- Children should dismount from bikes and scooters while on the school premises
- Electric scooters are not permitted on school grounds (see information below)

<u>Easy fundraising: Raise money for Colebourne while you shop:</u> https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colebourneprimary

Please remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat, Uswitch and many more! This means you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying. If you haven't signed up to support us yet, it's easy and

completely FREE. These donations really help us, so it would be great if you could take a moment to get started! You can find our easyfundraising page



here: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colebourneprimary/

Home Learning Links

Here are our core links for any home learning you would like to do.

	Home learning grids These are for each half term for each year group and enable additional learning around the work the children do in class: Home learning grids		
BBC Bitesize	BBC Bitesize http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary/		
OAK NATIONAL ACADEMY	Oak National Academy Oak National Academy		

We also have some of our subscription services such as

doodle maths english success	Doodle A great platform to learn and practise key skills for maths and English https://www.doodlemaths.com/		
	Times Tables Rockstars Practice your times tables and quick maths recall skills https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student		

Core useful links for parents

Year group expectation sheets:

Key expectation sheets

Email address for parents:

parents@colebourne.bham.sch.uk

Term Dates:

https://www.colebourne.bham.sch.uk/diary-and-term-dates/

Easy fundraising: Raise money for Colebourne while you shop:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colebourneprimary

Free school meals checker:

https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/oefe/birmingham/provider

Useful Links for Parents



The place for trusted NHS advice and guidance to help you have a healthy and happy baby during pregnancy, birth and parenthood.

https://www.nhs.uk/start-for-life/early-learning-development/



BBC Wellbeing site – video and help for parents own mental health and that of their children

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/groups/cw9v6l8d0q6t



BBC bitesize parents
Tips, advice and activity ideas for being a parent

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/parents



Birmingham School Health Support Service
Lots of health related links and support for
children and families including the
school nurse
Community paediatric and child development
centres
Forward thinking Birmingham
And much more

<u>Birmingham School Health Support Service | Home education | Birmingham</u>
City Council

PE KIT Days

Autumn 2nd Half Term (Updated 11/11/24)

Children should come to school in PE kits on these days



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RN					
RT					
1 G					
1H					
2F					
2M					
3B					
3C					
4K					
4M					
5G					
5P					
6A					
6 T					