



Parent update

2nd May 2025

SUMMER TERM



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DIARY DATES

Monday 5th May	May Bank Holiday – School Closed
Tuesday 6th May	Client Hills Trip – Year 3
Thursday 8th May	Year 3 Greek Day
Thursday 8th May	Professor McGinty History workshops with Year 3 and Year 4
Monday 12th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 19th May	Year 1-3 Celebration Assembly – all parents welcome
Thursday 22nd May	Year 4-6 Celebration Assembly – all parents welcome
Friday 23rd May	Last day of the half term
Monday 2nd June	Start of the Summer 2nd Half Term – all pupils return
Thursday 5th June <i>9.00am-10.00am</i>	Communication and Autism Team (CAT) workshop for parents <i>Developing independence skills at home and at school</i>
Saturday 7th June	Eid al-Adha
Monday 9th June	3C visit to the Hindu Temple
Tuesday 10th June <i>9.00am-10.00am</i>	Parent Update Meeting
Wednesday 11th June	Year 6 workshops (Loudmouth) re. social media
Thursday 12th June	3B visit to the Hindu Temple
Friday 13th June	Father's Day Activity morning
Monday 16th June	Class Photo Day
Tuesday 17th June	Year 6 Theme Park Trip
Tuesday 17th June <i>9.30am – 10am</i>	Nursery – September 2025 Parent Welcome Meeting
Thursday 19th June	Sports Day
Monday 23rd June	RN Trip to Ash End House Children's Farm
Tuesday 24th June <i>2.30pm – 3.15pm</i>	Reception – September 2025 Parent Welcome Meeting This is mainly for families new to Colebourne but existing parents are welcome to attend.
Wednesday 25th June	RT Trip to Ash End House Children's Farm
Wednesday 2nd July	Year 6 Secondary Transition Day / Class swap day
Monday 7th July, 2pm	Year 6 Leavers performance to parents
Tuesday 8th July, 9am	Year 6 Leavers performance to parents
Wednesday 9th July	Colebourne Summer Festival
Monday 14th July	Year 1-3 Celebration Assembly – all parents welcome
Tuesday 15th July	Year 4-6 Celebration Assembly – all parents welcome
Wednesday 16th July	Parent drop-in session after school
Thursday 17th July	Year 6 Leavers celebration day
Friday 18th July	Last day of the school year (No Friday afternoon club)

Colebourne Competes and Week of Play

We have had a lovely week with our Active Week – the children have had load of fun!

A big thank you to Mr. Michael for organising our Active Week. This is what he had to report:



“We picked the hottest week of the year for our Active Week!

Children have had a fantastic time during the extended break times, trying out all sorts of new equipment and games.

We have also launched the brand new ‘Colebourne Competes App’. The app will host and track a variety of house, team and individual challenges that children can get stuck into throughout the year.

To finish the week, the school got to vote which challenge Mr Michael should complete... Results are live on the app now – please see the post on Class Dojo for the link to the APP!”

Here are a few photos:





Science Fair

Congratulations to all the children who contributed to the science fair. They presented their science experiments and information superbly to parents, staff and children.

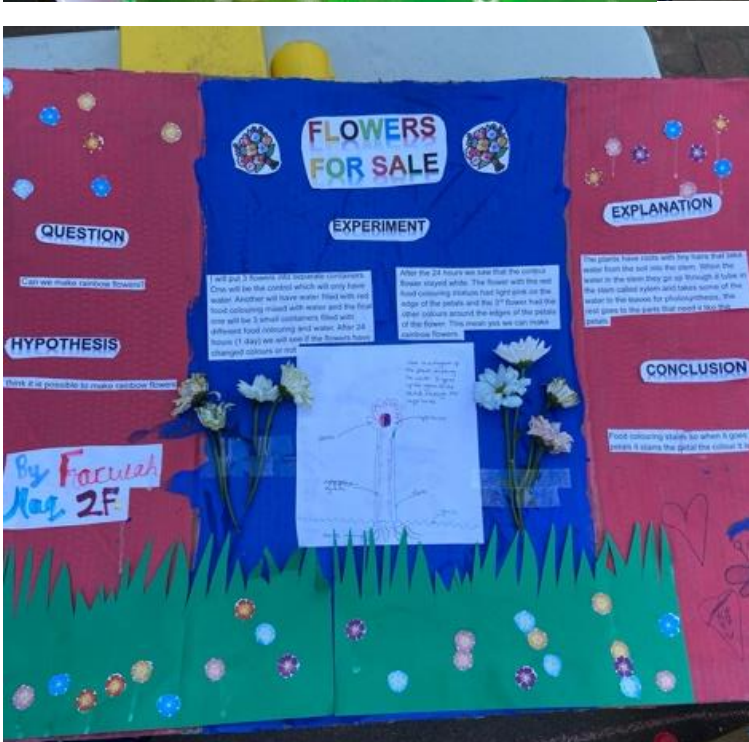
Massive thanks to all the parents for supporting this at home.

Thanks to Mrs. Taylor for organising the event.

Here are a few photos....







Shout outs!

A big shout out to Sana in Year 5 who has achieved a 365 day streak on Duolingo learning Spanish! This is an amazing achievement!

This is a great FREE App that you can use to learn languages, music and maths!!!!



Bike and Scooter Safety

We actively encourage children to use bikes and scooters to come to school but please remember that these should be dismounted before coming onto the school walkway.



Dismount Your Scooter or Bike Here

When you arrive at this spot, please **safely dismount** your scooter or bike and walk down the pedestrian walkway.

Thank you!

URGENT - outstanding payments

We have a significant amount of **outstanding payments for trips, dinner money, funtime club and breakfast club.**

The cumulation of outstanding payments is now having an impact on school.

The office are regularly sending in-app messages or emails to parents with outstanding balances.

**We kindly ask that parents settle
any outstanding debts immediately**

If you are having difficulties in paying – please contact us to discuss.

PLEASE NOTE – IF WE DO NOT GET PAYMENTS FOR TRIPS WE MAY HAVE TO CANCEL AS SCHOOL CANNOT AFFORD TO SUBSIDISE ANY FURTHER THAN WE ALREADY DO.

Reception Admissions for September 2025

For those with children who applied for a Reception place for September, you should have received your offer of a place from the local authority.

We are just waiting for our final list from the local authority and we will then be in touch with more information and dates for welcome meetings.

Nursery Admission for September 2025

Offers for Nursery admissions for September 2025 have now been emailed out – please check your inbox if you have applied as this contained important information.

You will be shortly receiving the admissions forms, which will be sent home via your oldest child already at Colebourne. Please complete these forms and return to school as soon as possible please.

The welcome meeting will take place on Tuesday 17th June at 9.30am.

School Clubs – Summer Term 2025

These are the school clubs that will be running during the summer term. The after school clubs will start from **Tuesday 6th May**.

Please contact the office to book.

Every child should be able to access clubs regardless of their family's financial situation. If your child would like to attend but you may struggle to fund it or you need help paying through Arbor, please contact us to discuss this further. Please do this before the bookings open to avoid disappointment.

Children need to be collected promptly at 4.15pm from outside Year 2. Please use the pedestrian entrance only - not the car park.

Year 5 & 6 who normally walk home alone will be dismissed at 4.15pm unless you tell us otherwise.

Tuesday	Y4,5 & 6	Athletics	Spark Active	SPACES STILL AVAILABLE – PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE
Tuesday	Y3,4,5 & 6	Dance Club	Miss Blake	CANCELLED DUE TO LOW NUMBERS
Wednesday	Y2 & 3	Athletics	Spark Active	SPACES STILL AVAILABLE – PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE
Thursday	Y1 & Reception	Athletics	Spark Active	SPACES STILL AVAILABLE – PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE
Other Clubs available during lunchtime in school <i>(No charge to attend – no need to book!)</i> Starting from week beginning 28th April 2025				
Monday	Year 4,5 & 6	Reading For Pleasure Club	Mrs Wren	Bring your own book and read
Tuesday	Y3, 4, 5 & 6	Chess Club	Mrs Haigh	Turn up and play chess
Thursday	Y3, 4,5 & 6	Crochet Club	Mr Guest	Bring your own equipment – starter kits are now sold out

Your child will need to arrive in school in their PE kit the day they are in a sports-based club.

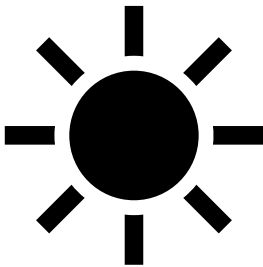
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PAY ONLINE AS THIS WILL BE YOUR BOOKING FOR THE CLUB

Summer Term Uniform, Heat and Hay Fever

Summer uniform

Please remember that children can wear black or grey plain shorts or summer dresses (navy gingham or plain grey/black) for school. This is particularly useful as the weather heats up.

Please remember to label your child's clothes with their name as this helps us reunite items with their owners.



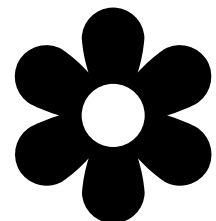
Summer heat

Please ensure your child has a water bottle with them every day.

For hot sunny days please also ensure they have a hat and have applied sun cream before school.

Hay Fever

As the Hay Fever season kicks in, please ensure your child has taken and precautionary medication before school and that we have additional medication in school.



Changes to charges for Summer Term

As you will know, the changes in costs for goods and services have steadily been going up, and now with the increases in National Insurance, many of our suppliers have increased charges.

This has had a significant impact on our school meals provision and as such, from the **summer term Dinner money** will now be **£2.70 per meal**.

We have been able to maintain the same charges for breakfast club, after school club and snacks for the Summer Term.

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 5: Monday 21st July 2025*

Easy fundraising: Raise money for Colebourne while you shop:

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

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/>

ADHD support

FREE ADHD online parent course

A Nurturing ADHD Kids courses for parents/carers of children with ADHD are starting after the Easter holiday. Registration is now open.

These courses are free for families in Birmingham.

Children do not need to have already received the diagnosis - they work with families who are on the assessment pathway as well.

The courses are online, 90 minutes a week for six weeks.

They can join for a daytime session or an evening one.

They will be running on:

Tuesdays 7pm - 8.30pm Starting Tuesday 29th April	Register HERE
Wednesdays 10am - 11.30am Starting Wednesday 30th April.	Register HERE

Register now
for next courses

Nurturing ADHD kids

Free online courses for parents and carers of
children and young people with ADHD



LED BY ADULTS WITH ADHD

Does your child have ADHD or suspected ADHD?

Join our friendly six week
course
to learn how to understand
and support them

You can join the day time
session or the evening one.

It is online so you join from
your own home.

You can register using the
QR codes or email

contactus@brewseducation.org

Registration closes at
5 pm on Monday 28th April

**Tuesdays
7 - 8.30pm**

starting
Tuesday 29th April



**Wednesdays
10- 11.30am**

starting
Wednesday 30th
April



Birmingham Resilience Education and Wellbeing Services CIC


CIC Business Registration: 13240865

Useful Links for Parents

Home Learning Links

	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Home learning grids</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Additional learning opportunities each half term</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Home learning grids</u></p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>BBC Bitesize</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lots of links to learning and skills</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary/</u></p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Oak National Academy</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">A huge range of lessons, resources and subjects</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Oak National Academy</u></p>

We also have some of our subscription services such as

	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Doodle</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">A great platform to learn and practise key skills for maths and English</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>https://www.doodlemaths.com/</u></p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Times Tables Rockstars</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Practice your times tables and quick maths recall skills</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student</u></p>

School information links for parents

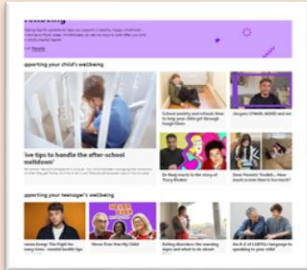
Year group expectation sheets: <u>Key expectation sheets</u>	Email address for parents: <u>parents@colebourne.bham.sch.uk</u>
School information for parents: <u>https://www.colebourne.bham.sch.uk/parents/</u>	
Term Dates: <u>https://www.colebourne.bham.sch.uk/diary-and-term-dates/</u>	
Easy fundraising: Raise money for Colebourne while you shop: <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/colebourneprimary</u>	
Free school meals checker: <u>https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/oefe/birmingham/provider</u>	
School policies: <u>School policies</u>	

PARENTING AND HEALTH SUPPORT



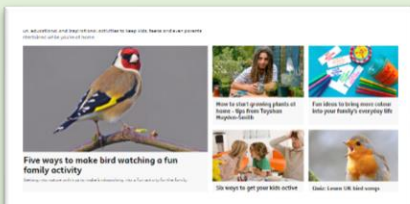
NHS Advice and guidance
The place for trusted NHS advice and guidance to help you have a healthy and happy baby during pregnancy, birth and parenthood.

<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

[Birmingham School Health Support Service](#)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT



Water Bill Support

The Big Difference Scheme can offer a reduction of water bills to any Severn Trent customer with a household income below £23,492.

Households with child dependants may be eligible for an additional income allowance in excess of this amount.

<https://www.stwater.co.uk/my-account/help-when-you-need-it/help-with-paying-your-bill/big-difference-scheme/>



Broadband - Social tariffs

Most broadband providers have **Social tariffs** broadband is an option for people in lower-income households. If you're receiving Universal Credit, Pension Credit or certain other government benefits, you could be eligible.

<https://www.virginmedia.com/broadband/low-income-families>
<https://www.bt.com/broadband/home-essentials>

At Colebourne we C.A.R.E

At Colebourne, we work together to be...

	C ompassionate	<i>We care for and help ourselves and others. We accept people for who they are.</i>
	A mbitious	<i>We do the best we can and work hard to reach our goals.</i>
	R espectful	<i>We are polite and considerate to others. We respect differences and welcome everyone. We follow rules.</i>
	E ngaged	<i>We concentrate, and contribute to learning and school life.</i>

...because at Colebourne, we C.A.R.E.