# Columbia Grange Weekly Newsletter 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

# This week at Columbia Grange...

# The Nest

We've had such a busy week in The Nest! We enjoyed having out families join us for stay and play sessions where we showed off out fantastic school routines and enjoying playing together. We were also lucky enough to have teachers from mainstream schools join us for our Sensology, Mat Man and Tapping Stick sessions.

# Rainbow 2

Rainbow 2 have been exploring a range of untuned instruments in music. This week we have been looking at an African drum and focused on trying to keep a beat.

# Rainbow 3

Rainbow 3 are continuing to enjoy their swimming lessons where they have been developing their confidence in the water, while following instructions from the swimming teacher.

#### **Scarlet**

It has been a busy week for Scarlet class as we explored action figures, made superhero masks, and enjoyed exploring and getting dirty in the Discovery Park! We worked hard in our Phonics sessions and explore the concept of big and small in Maths.

#### **Forest**

Forest class have been learning about swimming safety and are beginning to look at different swimming techniques in their weekly swimming lesson. The children especially love the end of their lesson where they are allowed to play and like nothing more than splashing the teachers!

#### <u>Navy</u>

This week Navy class have been learning about the solar system and created dioramas. The children were super proud of their work!

#### <u>Royal</u>

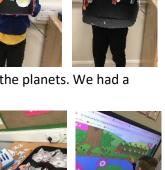
Royal class are really enjoying their space topic this term and are having so much fun exploring the planets. We had a great morning at the planetarium and enjoyed learning facts about the different planets.

#### Emerald

This week, Emerald class have been working incredibly hard in Maths lessons. Children have continued to focus on subtraction using concrete materials and have worked hard to share resources around the classroom.









## <u>Ruby</u>

Ruby Class have been working incredibly hard on their phonics this week! Children have been working on recognising and making the sounds s, a, t, p, i, n.



## **Reminders:**

# Swimming:

Next week there will be no swimming for Emerald class, but they will continue as normal week beginning 3.2.25. Rainbow 3 and Forest Class will have their swimming lesson next week. Please make sure swimming kits are sent into school.



Attendance: Well done to Rainbow 3 who, for the second week in a row, have 100% attendance!

Class	Rainbow 1	Rainbow 2	Rainbow 3	Rose	Scarlet	Ruby	Pink
Attendance	98%	98%	100%	98%	98%	93%	78%
	Sage	Mint	Emerald	Jade	Forest	Royal	Navy
Attendance	98%	67%	98%	95%	85%	84%	98%

Class	Star of the Week			
Rainbow 1	Ugo: For identifying animals in a book!			
Rainbow 2	Emily: For independently completing her guided reading task!			
Rainbow 3	Georgia: For fantastic work during Maths!			
Rose	Alia: For completing her art task independently!			
Scarlet	Tyler: For trying very hard with his personal hygiene, well done!			
Ruby	Luke: For communicating with staff and joining in with all lessons!			
Pink	Blake: For his fantastic sound recognition in Phonics!			
Sage	Jack: For fantastic Makaton signing as part of our animal topic.			
Mint	Dillon: For an amazing week, where he has used his words to communicate his wants			
Ινιιιτ	and needs, well done!			
Emerald	Affan: For fantastic work in PSHE when recognising emotions. Well Done!			
Jade	Matthew: For exploring equipment in the Maths area!			
Forest	Elliot: For trying super hard when practising his letter formation, well done!			
Royal	Nathan: For working hard in lessons and participating in discussions about space!			
Now	Harrison: For using problem solving and showing persistence to complete a space			
Navy	puzzle independently.			
The Nest	Ellie: For using her big voice to join in with our group work activities.			

Have a wonderful weekend and we will see you on Monday!

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