

# Columbia Grange Weekly Newsletter

6<sup>th</sup> March 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week at Columbia Grange...

## **Rainbow**

Korbyn has impressed staff this week by choosing to sit with his group for every session. Absolutely fantastic, well done Korbyn!



## **Blossom**

Raj has been showing some amazing engagement during our Silly Soup sessions. We have been exploring different sensory objects relating to the /s/ sound, and this week Raj participated well and managed to tolerate a range of the sensory items. Well done, Raj!



## **Rose**

Rose enjoyed celebrating World Book Day this week, showing off their costumes making kites out of carrier bags to fly on the Discovery Park!



## **Pink**

Cristiano has been engaging in some lovely interactions with staff this week. His favourite thing to do has been blowing raspberries!



### **Scarlet**

Luna and Lennox have been doing some fantastic mark making this week. They held a pencil and used a strong grip to colour their turtle and kites for World Book Day.



### **Ruby**

In our Art lessons this week, we have been exploring primary colours. Nyrie did a fantastic job of joining in with her peers and following instructions.



### **Lavender**

This week in the Discovery Park, we have been practising our walking and running skills. Adults modelled using symbols and real life demonstrations to help the children understand the difference between both walking and running. Lincoln appeared to enjoy taking part in this activity and did a great job of both walking and running!



### **Sage**

Oscar has impressed staff this week using communication boards alongside verbal communication to comment on stories he has been listening to.



### **Mint**

Well done Sophia for brilliant focus and independence with her World Book Day art activity. It was great to see Sophie stay on task for an extended period of time, concentrating on what she was doing.



## Jade

This week we enjoyed reading the story 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley'. Inspired by the book, the children created their very own jellyfish and especially loved drawing faces on their jellyfish, each one full of personality! It was wonderful to see their imagination and confidence shine through in their work.



## Emerald

This week we have enjoyed our new class café area and have had fun making pasta, cake, pizza coffee and tea. The children enjoyed taking orders from their peers and enjoyed collecting money and using the till!



## Forest

This week we have been learning about shape and each day have explored a new shape. Harry showed lots of curiosity and was able to find things around the classroom with a circular shape when learning about circles.



## Teal

Teal class enjoyed being dressed up for World Book Day and did a great job making a fruit salad which was inspired by the story of 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. The children demonstrated skills of peeling, chopping and slicing and were able to use a knife sensibly to do so.



## Navy

Navy class loved returning to school to a change in the weather this week! It has been a great opportunity to explore how the seasons are changing and to get outside to explore signs of spring. William and Martha showed amazing observational skills during our trip to Elba Park and identified lots of spring's treasures.



## The Nest

The Nest have had a fabulous first week back after half term and enjoyed celebrating World Book Day by coming into school dressed as their favourite book characters! Children enjoyed a sensory story of 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley', exploring the props relating to the story and learning some related Makaton signs. We are very proud of Oskah and Nancy for engaging with the props and verbally naming some sea creatures!



## Reminders/Key Dates

Date	Event	Year Group
20.3.26	Red Nose Day <i>Children invited to wear something red and bring a donation for Comic Relief.</i>	Whole School
23.3.26	2:00pm - Parent Stay and Play <i>No siblings/children to attend stay and play.</i>	Rainbow, Blossom and Rose
24.3.26	2:00pm - Parent Stay and Play <i>No siblings/children to attend stay and play.</i>	Mint, Sage and Jade
25.3.26	2:00pm - Parent Stay and Play <i>No siblings/children to attend stay and play.</i>	Pink, Scarlet, Ruby and Lavender
26.3.26	2:00pm - Parent Stay and Play <i>No siblings/children to attend stay and play.</i>	Forest, Emerald, Teal, Navy and Nest
2.4.26	Last day of term	Whole School
3.4.26	EASTER HOLIDAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED	Whole School

**Attendance:** Well done to all 3 classes, Ruby, Emerald and Navy, with 100% attendance this week!

Class	Rainbow	Blossom	Rose	Pink	Scarlet	Ruby	Lavender
Attendance	83%	98%	86%	90%	96%	100%	92%
Class	Sage	Mint	Jade	Emerald	Forest	Teal	Navy
Attendance	98%	87%	96%	100%	86%	96%	100%

<b>Class</b>	<b>Star of the Week</b>
<b>Rainbow</b>	Jack: For consistently using communication boards to request and explore new vocabulary.
<b>Blossom</b>	All of Blossom class for making staff proud during their first swimming lesson this term.
<b>Rose</b>	Roman: For trying hard to write the letter 's' in our mark making sessions!
<b>Pink</b>	Lucus: For using his voice to gain adult attention, well done!
<b>Scarlet</b>	Luna: For ordering numbers to 10 and singing nursery rhymes, keep it up!
<b>Ruby</b>	Ugo: For trying hard with his mark making and attempting to draw circles independently.
<b>Lavender</b>	Walt: For great engagement in lessons this week, well done!
<b>Sage</b>	Connor: For fantastic use of verbal language in the dining hall when requesting his meal!
<b>Mint</b>	Dillon: For improved independence, keep up the amazing work!
<b>Jade</b>	Ella: For having a great first week in Jade class, well done!
<b>Emerald</b>	Adyan: For always following class rules. Well done, Adyan!
<b>Forest</b>	Ivy: For engaging in our story of the week 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley'.
<b>Teal</b>	Lily: For engaging in art sessions and creating some beautiful work this week.
<b>Navy</b>	Mathew: For great questioning about how the seasons are changing. Well done, Mathew!
<b>The Nest</b>	Oskah: For fantastic engagement during a sensory story and being such a good friend.

Another great week for everyone in Columbia Grange. A particular highlight was seeing the children dressed up in their fantastic World Book Day costumes. Thank you to parents and carers for supporting this and helping children get involved in such a great day!

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