

Columbia Grange Weekly Newsletter

9th January 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week at Columbia Grange...

Rainbow

Rainbow class had a super ballpool session this week that included lots of communication, requesting more of an interaction and taking turns with our friends. Absolutely amazing!



Blossom

Blossom class have had a wonderful first week back and have jumped straight back into their new topic, Winter Wonderland! Joshua has shown amazing anticipation and engagement within Rhyme Time, visibly smiling and eager to have a turn of exploring the props while staff sing '1,2,3,4,5'. He was even a super helper by helping tidy everything away, well done Joshua!



Pink

Lucas has been exploring satsumas as snack time and even managed to taste it! Great progress, well done!



Scarlet

We're incredibly proud of Luna in Scarlet class this week as she has started her toileting journey by swapping nappies for underwear and is verbalising "toilet" when she needs to go. Well done, Luna!

Ruby

This week we made cheese sandwiches, focussing on spreading the butter with our knife then using a grater to grate the cheese into the sandwiches. Freddie stayed on task for the whole activity and attempted to grate the cheese himself. Well done, Freddie.



Lavender

This week, we have been focusing on using our fingers to represent numbers during maths activities. Hully, in particular, has been confidently using his fingers to show the numbers 1, 2, and 3. He is also able to correctly verbalise these numbers and is working very hard on developing his subitising skills. Well done, Hully!

Sage

Aliyah has been doing great work during Maths lessons this week. She is developing her ability to represent a given number (1-4) using her fingers and has also been developing her ability when comparing two sets of objects, saying which is more.



Jade

We have enjoyed exploring the snow this week and rescuing the animals from the ice! This has been lots of fun and a great way to start our Winter Wonderland topic!



Forest

Forest class enjoyed exploring, manipulating and playing in the snow, using their senses to investigate the change in environment. They also enjoyed painting and mark-making activities in the snow, developing their creativity and fine motor skills. Harrison seemed eager to join in and showed lots of independence.



Teal

This week, we enjoyed our visit from the local police! Teal class loved looking at their bright uniforms and Taif and Jayden asked them for a picture!



Navy

An amazing start to Spring term by Navy class! We enjoyed the snowy weather and getting back into class routines with our friends. Martha wowed us all with her knowledge of the human body and the senses!



Reminders/Key Dates

Date	Event	Year Group
26.1.26	INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils	Whole School
11.2.26	Well-being Wednesday <i>Children invited to wear clothes that they are comfortable in (this could be school uniform if preferred).</i>	Whole School
23.2.26	HALF TERM	Whole School
2.3.26	School re-opens	Whole School
5.3.26	World Book Day <i>Children invited to dress up as their favourite book character!</i>	Whole School
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 Scarlet, Lavender and Sage who all had 100% attendance this week. This is a great start to the term!

Class	Rainbow	Blossom	Rose	Pink	Scarlet	Ruby	Lavender
Attendance	96%	90%	96%	88%	100%	97%	100%
	Sage	Mint	Jade	Emerald	Forest	Teal	Navy
Attendance	100%	89%	87%	98%	92%	94%	91%

Class	Star of the Week
Rainbow	Evan: For having an excellent first week back after the holidays and a fantastic swimming session. Amazing Evan, well done!
Blossom	Elijah: For being extremely kind to staff and friends! Well done, Elijah!
Pink	Alia: For communicating effectively with Laura when building a tower. Well done!
Scarlet	Louis: For wonderful engagement in lessons this week and using his voice to count from 1 to 5 in our maths session. Well done, Louis!
Lavender	Ruben: For following adult instructions in class and removing his wellies independently.
Sage	Maisie: For fantastic work during her Maths session! 😊
Mint	Sophia: For amazing participation during maths this week!
Jade	Phoebe: For some great maths work, ordering and recognising numbers!
Forest	Ivy: For using the toilet in school for two consecutive days. Well done, Ivy!
Teal	Franky: For excellent work in reading sessions. We are so proud!
Navy	Bobby: For showing great resilience this week and always helping others.

It has been a wonderful first week back. Please make a note of key dates ahead of the term. We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday. Enjoy the weekend!

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