

Columbia Grange Weekly Newsletter

23rd January 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week at Columbia Grange...

Rainbow

Zara, Korbyn, Sadie and Theo have been working very hard on taking turns in an adult-led activity. This week we have been focussing on sharing being swung in the shuggy boat. They all did an amazing job and got off when their turn was finished. Fantastic!



Blossom

Quinn used his lovely big voice to say, 'dinosaur' while stomping around. It is always so lovely to hear his voice and we are so proud of him!

Rose

Ariana tried really hard when printing with a fork in art! Well done, Ariana!



Pink

Zack particularly enjoyed exploring owls this week and had fun sitting in our pretend nest. Great interaction, Zack!



Scarlet

Some children in Scarlet class joined in with our Fun with Food session where they fed the puppet some mashed potato before exploring the textures. A few children even had a little taste themselves, well done!



Ruby

This week in Art, we have had great fun learning to take pictures of ourselves.



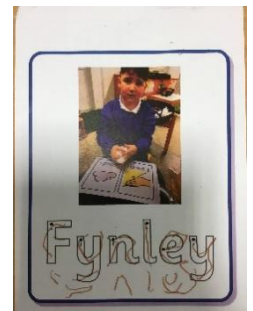
Lavender

Luke and Hully have been working extra hard this week, using colourful semantics to describe a snowman. Well done, boys!



Sage

Fynley has been working hard during his writing session this week. He tried really hard to copy the letters in his name. Well done!



Mint

Leo made June very proud in PE this week. Leo listened to all instructions and impressed all with his balancing skills.



Jade

This week in art, we enjoyed using Lego bricks dipped in paint to create our own igloos. We loved exploring a new tool and experimenting with different textures to make our artwork.



Emerald

This week, the children in Emerald class have been diving into learning about sea animals and their different ocean habitats. We also learned about the important role of a **Marine Biologist** and how they study and protect ocean life. We transformed our role play area by adding wetsuits, snorkels, and ocean-themed resources.



Forest

This week, the children have been accessing the outdoor area and using the new water toys to practise their pouring and filling skills. Lily showed great interest and even managed to engage in lovely interactions and turn-taking with some of her friends.



Teal

Lily did some great art this week and joined in well with the session!

Navy

Ollie impressed us all with how fast he was able to peel a potato in our food technology session this week. Amazing fine motor skills and great control!



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 Ruby and Navy with 100% attendance this week!

Class	Rainbow	Blossom	Rose	Pink	Scarlet	Ruby	Lavender
Attendance	96%	94%	96%	90%	88%	100%	96%
	Sage	Mint	Jade	Emerald	Forest	Teal	Navy
Attendance	95%	87%	98%	88%	96%	95%	100%

Class	Star of the Week
Rainbow	Benjamin: For counting up to 10 when building with the blocks. Fantastic, Benjamin!
Blossom	Oscar: For transitioning around school beautifully and independently!
Rose	Oscar: For showing amazing engagement and concentration in lessons this week!
Pink	Will: For travelling and being persistent with staff when requesting at snack times and consistently finding his photograph at morning registration.
Scarlet	Luna: For making huge progress in her toileting by asking for the toilet throughout the day!
Ruby	Georgia: For requesting 'help' using Makaton and speech throughout the day. Fantastic work, Georgia.
Lavender	Marc: For following adult instruction and identifying his own tray for his morning work booklet!
Sage	Connor: For great requesting using a communication board during his 1:1 communication session with the adult! 😊
Mint	Kane: For making Julie's day by showing kindness by drawing a picture for her. Keep it up Kane!
Jade	Alfie: For following our class rules and making such good choices.
Emerald	Oscar: For brilliant resilience in swimming this week when learning a new skill. He showed great determination, well done Oscar!
Forest	Harry: For excellent effort and focus during Maths this week.
Teal	Taif: For working hard on trying to pronounce names correctly.
Navy	Shay: For an amazing demonstration of how to make the number 20 in different ways using manipulatives.
The Nest	Leo: For having such a happy and settled week in The Nest and being fantastic at transitioning around school. Well done!! 😊

It was another great week in school! Enjoy the weekend and we will see the children back in school on Tuesday.

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