

# Columbia Grange Weekly Newsletter

19<sup>th</sup> September 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week at Columbia Grange...

## **Rainbow**

Rainbow Class are doing an amazing job at responding to our routine songs and have even starting to independently line up at the door when outside time is finished. Fantastic Rainbow, well done!



## **Blossom**

Joshua is trying really hard to follow daily classroom routines; he is listening carefully for auditory cues and joining circle time upon hearing the song. Well done, Joshua!

## **Rose**

Phoebe tried so hard to match the pieces of her face together when completing a face jigsaw in PSHE. Well done!

## **Scarlet**

Scarlet Class had their first swimming session this week. The children were fantastic and showed lots of confidence, trying hard to put their faces under the water. Well done everyone!

## **Ruby**

Hashir did a great job in his phonics session this week and was able to identify an "Otter" and an "Ostrich".

## **Lavender**

Lavender class has been working very hard walking in a line when transitioning around school. They are making great progress with this. Well done!



## **Sage**

Ellie tried really hard to trace the letter /a/ during her writing session this week. She also tried to draw MatMan using a palmar grasp. Well done Ellie! 😊



### Mint

Mint class have been working on their fine motor skills in Dough Disco this week. Kane and Dillon impressed us with their pinching and rolling movements.

### Jade

Jade class have been doing some fantastic counting this week. Nehemiah really impressed us with his counting skills by taking what he had learned in the lesson and applying it to his play during choice time. He made his own green bottles and enjoyed counting and singing the song to himself! Well done, Nehemiah! 😊

### Emerald

Emerald class had a great time jumping and splashing in muddy puddles this week! The children impressed staff by putting on their waterproofs and wellies independently.



### Forest

This week Forest class have been exploring magnets. Jaxon showed lots of curiosity and perseverance in finding things that would stick to the magnets.



### Teal

Teal had their first swimming session this week and staff were particularly impressed to see some children getting changed independently. Well done!

### Navy

Navy class amazed us with their confidence and bravery in the water during their swimming lesson this week. Well done everyone!

### Nut Allergies

We have some severe nut allergies in school and therefore ask that children do not bring any products into school which include nuts. This includes Nutella products and any hazelnut cakes/biscuits etc.



### Cake donations are welcome

If cakes are homemade, please provide a list of ingredients so we can identify any allergies etc.

On Friday 26th September, we will be holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning in school. Macmillan is close to many hearts and it would be great to see the Columbia Grange community come together to raise money for this fantastic charity.

Parents, carers, family members and friends are welcome to join us 9-11am for some cake and a cuppa!

Children are also invited to bring £1 into school to buy a sweet treat later in the day.

We hope you can make it and look forward to seeing you there!

## Key Dates

Date	Event	Year Group
26.9.25	MacMillan Coffee Morning 9:30-11:00	Parents/Children (Whole School)
22.10.25	Halloween Disco (after school)	Whole School
27.10.24	HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED	Whole School
03.11.25	School re-opens	Whole School
06.11.25	Outdoor Classroom Day	Whole School
14.11.25	Children in Need: Non-Uniform Day <i>Pudsey Bear will be visiting school on 13.11.25</i>	Whole School
21.11.25	Inset Day – School Closed to Children	Whole School
24.11.25	School Photograph Day	Whole School
08.12.25	Christmas Parent Stay and Play (2pm)	Rainbow, Blossom, Rose and Lavender
09.12.25	Christmas Parent Stay and Play (2pm)	Pink, Scarlet and Ruby
10.12.25	Christmas Parent Stay and Play (2pm)	Sage, Mint, Jade and Emerald
10.12.25	Christmas Disco (after school)	Whole School
11.12.25	Christmas Parent Stay and Play (2pm)	Forest, Teal, Navy and The Nest
11.12.25	Christmas Lunch Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School
15.12.25	Christmas Party	Rainbow, Blossom, Rose and Lavender, <i>The Nest</i>
16.12.25	Christmas Party	Pink, Scarlet and Ruby
17.12.25	Christmas Party	Sage, Mint, Jade and Emerald
18.12.25	Christmas Party	Forest, Teal and Navy
19.12.25	Last Day of Term Pyjama Day	Whole School
19.12.25	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED	Whole School

## Inset Days for this school year

\*Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

\*Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026

\*Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2026

**Attendance:** Well done to Blossom, Ruby and Jade who all had a fantastic 100% attendance this week!

Class	Rainbow	Blossom	Rose	Pink	Scarlet	Ruby	Lavender
Attendance	93%	100%	98%	86%	86%	100%	89%
	Sage	Mint	Jade	Emerald	Forest	Teal	Navy
Attendance	96%	84%	100%	84%	96%	87%	94%

Class	Star of the Week
Rainbow	Evan: For having a super, settled week as well as completing a range of 1:1 activities.
Blossom	Oscar: For using a symbol to request bubbles!
Rose	Roman: For using a communication board to request playdough!
Pink	Zach: For requesting stories during choice time, well done!
Scarlet	Lucas: For finding and pointing to pictures during his reading session!
Ruby	Hunter: For clearly saying "Linda" when requesting a chase during intensive interaction.
Lavender	Marc: For excellent communication using his PECS!
Sage	Oscar: For fantastic work and when following instructions during art!
Mint	Myla-Rose: For wonderful singing and acting out Humpty Dumpty!
Jade	Nehemiah: For some brilliant singing and counting to 10!
Emerald	Frankie: For expressing his wants during snack time using a sentence. He said "Please can I have more blackcurrant juice Claire". Well done Frankie!
Forest	Mason: For excellent use of the Numicon in Maths.
Teal	Kaiya: For excellent reading, well done!
Navy	Evan: For showing great resilience and getting into the water during his swimming lesson.

What a wonderful week it has been! Have a great weekend and we will see the children back in school on Monday.

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