

Collingwood Primary School

Friday 27th February 2026 Newsletter



Thank you and goodbye to our very own lovely Maria!

With heavy hearts, we said goodbye to our wonderful cook Maria at the end of last term. Maria has worked at Collingwood for over 20 years and has always ensured our school meals are healthy and delicious. Maria is never without a smile and will be a huge miss to us all. We wish her lots of luck and happiness in her new venture.



This week's British Values Spotlight

RESPECT

Our School Values nomination winners last half term were:

Respect: Cayleb

Kindness: Phoebe

Resilience: Miley

Love of Learning: Ivy

A Good Friend: Reggie

Confidence: Neve

Positivity: Joey

Well done to you all!

Dates for the diary

Monday 2nd March: Parents Evening and Collingwood Book Fayre this week

Tuesday 3rd March: Dance Festival @ The Parks 6.30pm

Thursday 5th March: World Book Day

Friday 6th March: Year 5 working with Artist (Chris Howlett) today

Monday 9th March: STEM and Careers week

Tuesday 10th March: Year 4 to Segedunum

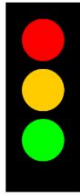
Wednesday 11th March: STEM show in school

Wednesday 11th March: Year 5 to Norham for 'Grease' production

Friday 13th March: Year 3 & 4 guest assembly from The Discovery Museum

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TRAFFIC LIGHT SYSTEM



What Zone is your

IMPORTANT
Attendance Information
For Parents

TRAFFIC LIGHT SYSTEM

RED - PERSISTENT ABSENCE

All students whose attendance falls **below 90%** will be included in this category. This means that legal action may be taken.

AMBER - IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT

All pupils whose attendance is between **90% - 95.99%** will be included in the Amber category. Clear evidence shows that pupils with this level of attendance are at risk from under achieving. Attendance monitoring will begin to attempt to prevent legal action.

GREEN ZONE - EXPECTED ATTENDANCE

All students whose attendance is above **96%** are part of the Green Zone which recognises good to excellent attendance.

[It's Cool To Learn At School!](#)

HOW CAN PARENTS HELP?

1. Make sure your child **goes to school and arrives on time**.
2. **Avoid** taking holidays in school time.
3. Know **routines** of the school day to avoid issues, e.g. have they got their PE kit?
4. Help your child get everything ready for the night before e.g. uniform, reading book.
5. Establish a good bed time routine, so your child can sleep well, get enough sleep and make mornings less of a struggle.
6. Talk regularly with your child about school and how they feel about it. Children are more likely to want to attend and learn if they feel supported and have their anxieties listened to.
7. **Arrange** for a friend to take your child to school if a sibling is sick... it's not fair to prevent a well child from learning.
8. **PRaise AND REward GOOD ATTENDANCE** even small successes e.g. getting ready quickly, even if missing going to school.
9. Set an **alarm clock** - rushing is unsettling.



Weekly Attendance Awards!

Well done to our class attendance winners this week, they were:

3RS and Mrs Sheard

2NW and Mrs Watson

Our weekly 100% attendance winner was

Darcie from Nursery

Parents Calendar

Please keep an eye out for our Parents Calendar which you will receive by email. Calendar dates can also be found on our website:

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Advanced notice of Easter HAF @ Collingwood

We will run our Easter holiday club with NUFC and Bigfoot from Monday 13th April until Friday 17th April for Reception to Year 6. HAF Government funding is targeted at children eligible for free school meals (FSM) therefore the majority of places available are for children in receipt of FSM. We do however also have some additional funding to provide a limited number of places for children not in receipt of FSM. All registered children will receive a fully funded free lunch. Places are strictly limited and therefore it is advisable to book early. More info to follow on this in the next few weeks!

"Staff were brilliant, kind, approachable, and helpful. The variety of activities kept my children engaged all week."

"This camp has been a lifesaver for working parents like me. It's given my daughter routine, fun and let her stay in touch with friends over the Summer."

"The food provision has made a real difference. It's been one less worry knowing they're eating well every day."