

NEWSLETTER

Coleshill C of E Primary School and Nursery

Inspiring our children to flourish and enjoy 'Life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)



End of an Era!

We have become accustomed to many things changing in recent times however one change that is coming to Coleshill CE Primary will represent a change that marks the end of an era.

In July Mrs Pam Ellis will be retiring after over a quarter of a century working at Coleshill! Mrs Ellis started out here in reception as a class teacher and has been witness to the many changes that the school has under gone since the mid 1990's. We all know that if you are trying to find something out about Coleshill Primary school and Pam doesn't know, no-one will!

Over time Mrs Ellis' talents were recognised again and again as she rose to the position of Deputy Headteacher over a decade ago. No-one who has had the pleasure to work alongside Pam or who has had the privilege of either being taught or seeing their children being taught by her will ever underestimate the impact and influence she had on two generations of Coleshill Learners.



On a personal note, I owe a huge debt of gratitude to Pam since starting here as Headteacher just over two years ago. I could not have wished for a more helpful or conscientious Deputy Headteacher; always willing to go the extra mile to make sure children here have every chance to experience 'life in all it's fullness'. Her positivity, humour and vast all round skill and experience will be greatly missed by us all and leave huge shoes to fill. I know you will join me in wishing Mrs Ellis a wonderful retirement where she can enjoy quality time with her family that she so richly deserves.



Newly Appointed Deputy Headteacher

As always, as one chapter ends another one begins and I would like to congratulate Mrs Currin on behalf of the governors and all of our school community on her appointment as our new Deputy Headteacher as from September 2020. Mrs Currin successfully emerged from a strong field of senior leaders, Assistant and Deputy headteachers from other settings for what turned out to be a very sought after position.

We wish Mrs Currin every success in her new role.

Retirement Celebration

Towards the end of the Summer term we will be marking Mrs Ellis' retirement with a special day. With the current situation, a typical celebration has been made quite difficult. More details will follow with ways in which children and parents within our school community can make their contributions and acknowledgements to Pam's fabulous contribution to the life of Coleshill.

Continued Wider Opening of Schools

As we continue with wider school opening please see below for details of start and finish times for our bubbles next week. **Please make sure you are collecting at the correct time.**

For Key Worker children, please remember that only those who are booked in with the school (nursery3586@welearn365.com) are able to access a place.

Bubble	Start time	Finish time
Key worker children and those classified vulnerable (Nursery through to Y6)	8:45am	3:15pm
Reception (Miss Jones)	8:45am	3:05pm
Reception (Mrs Millward)	8:55am	3:15pm
Year 1 Miss Wittering	8:45am	2:55pm
Year 1 Miss Jerromes	8:55am	3:05pm
Year 1 Mrs Owen	9:05am	3:15pm
Year 6 Mrs Bunn ONLY	9:00am	3:20pm

We are awaiting now for new legislation regarding wider opening beyond the current year groups. Having dropped the suggestion that all pupils would be returning to school from 22nd June, the government have not altered the statutory situation that only EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 may attend school. We have no further information regarding whether this restriction will be lifted before September. In the meantime we will continue to offer places as we have been since half term.

<u>Monday 22nd June:</u> We anticipate opening a third Reception bubble and extending the Y2/3 Key worker bubble to two separate groups to cope with increased demand for Key worker places and also to welcome children currently on Reception's waiting lists.

Key workers pick-up—Due to the large number of key worker children, you will have noticed that we have changed the way we end the day. To avoid the bottleneck (and separate bubbles mixing) as children filter through the main entrance hall, we have brought children out onto the carpark area so they can remain spaced. Let's hope it remains as dry at 3:15pm as it has been this week!

Year 3 Classes for 2020-21

Thank you to parents and children who have given their friendship choices to the Year 2 teaching team. They are just waiting on one or two final pupils and will then be organising the classes into two well balanced groups ready for KS2 in September.

Information regarding new classes and class teachers will be sent out as soon as we have it available.

School Reading Books at Home?

Please could you return any reading scheme books you have at home. There will be a cardboard box in the entrance area which will be replaced daily. Books will be placed into storage and unused for the length of time required for them to be clear of any potential residual virus.

Many thanks.