

# COULSDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 3 – SEPTEMBER 2024

## Attendance Champions Week 3

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Year 1: 100%
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Years 4 & 6: 97.41%
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Year 2: 94.67%
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place – Year 5: 94.33%
- 6<sup>th</sup> Place – Year 3: 93.21%

## Reflection

In Thursday's Collective Worship, Malcolm visited and gave a wonderful Collective Worship on compassion. One particular area of focus was compassion for the elderly. With the aid of a wig and a few props, Malcolm aged himself by twenty years and explained that some elderly people need help and assistance from compassionate people. We are blessed to have so many compassionate people in our school and community.

“Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.”

Colossians 3:12

## Spelling Shed

We have had some really good feedback from families about *Spelling Shed* and I am pleased many children are enthusiastically using it. The program is a great resource which has lots of fun activities, helping children to learn spelling patterns and rules.

## Notes from the Head Teacher

Dear Families,

It was lovely to see lots of families at the BBQ last Saturday. I unfortunately had to leave early, but I have been told how successful and fun it was. I must say a huge thank you to the Friends for organising the event and to all of those who helped. It was lovely to see the school community come together and to see so many new Reception families there.

I wish you all a very happy weekend

## Curriculum Corner

This year, children in Years 3 - 6 are completing their artwork in sketchbooks. I am looking forward to seeing their creative journey through the art curriculum. I was impressed that Year 4 could speak so knowledgeably about Van Gogh's use of complementary, analogous and tertiary colours in his famous *Sunflowers* painting - the work in their books was super.

## Bradmore Green Library

Unfortunately it has been announced that Bradmore Green Library will likely be closed. This is disappointing for our community and a great shame. At present, there is still uncertainty about the future of the site, but the plan is to keep the building in community use. I am still working with the library service to find out more and to forge a new way forward in which the library service can still support our school and children.

## Times Table Rock Stars

This is another program many of you will be familiar with already. Please encourage your children to log in and practise their times tables. Again this is a fun, interactive way to learn.