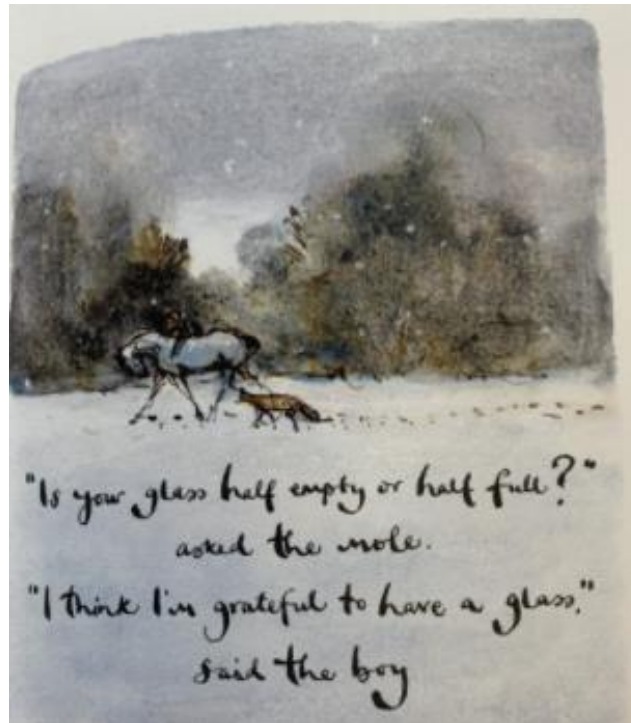




Our High Meadow Community 'Thought for the Week'



Charlie Mackesy

Virtual Book Fair – LIVE from Monday 10th May – Friday 14th May

A HUGE thank you to everyone who went online and ordered and paid for books during our Virtual Book Fair Week this week. A huge thank you too, to the family who have paid for two books and asked us to donate a book to a child who may not have access to many books of their own; what a very kind and generous thing to do, thank you.

We will now forward the order to Kenilworth books and by next week your child will have their shiny new book sent home in their bookbag.

Any commission made from the sale of the books will be used to buy more books for your child's class library. Thank you for your kind and generous support in helping us make every child LOVE, LOVE, LOVE books and reading.

Walk to School Week – w/c 17th May 2021

Next week (from Monday 17th March through to Friday 21st March) we will be encouraging everyone to join in with the National Walk to School week.





We recognise that many children are brought to school in cars as they live further away but during this week we are encouraging families to park further away from school. This would mean that children can walk for at least five minutes up to the school gates.

On Monday 17th May, every child (from reception to year 4) will receive an Activity Diary. Every day they will fill in an activity exploring the benefits of walking to school. They will bring the Activity Diary home at the end of the week along with a badge celebrating their efforts to walk to school.

Each day, every child who walks to school (for at least five minutes) will also get a SuperPowers sticker focusing on the 5 Walking SuperPowers... Super Strong, Super Smart, Super Smiley, Super Safe and Super Sustainable!

If you want to find out more about this fantastic initiative, follow this link...

THIS YEAR'S THEME AND ACTIVITY



Welcome to the five-day Walking Challenge 2021: **WALKING SUPERPOWERS**

This year's challenge will focus on the walking superpowers that benefit individuals, communities and the planet.

Each day pupils will be introduced to a brand new 'Walking Superpower' taking the form of a fun **comic-book inspired design**.

Walking has so many benefits from physical to mental wellbeing; aiding concentration and creativity and creating safer, less polluted and more welcoming streets. All that makes for a happy, healthy child set up for success in and out of the classroom.

Through the week, pupils will be introduced to the Walking Superpowers who will teach them all about these benefits and reinforce the power of walking, superhero style!





Hot Chocolate Friday Winners!

A huge well done to the children below who have been nominated for this weeks Hot Chocolate Friday Awards. They have been chosen by their teachers for ALWAYS making the right and safe choice, not just for one day or one week but for EVERY day of the week, every day of the term, well done! They spent some time with me, sharing a hot chocolate in our special mugs, enjoying a packet of biscuits, being awarded a specially designed postcard and having a chat. Well done Darcie, Brooke, Pippa, Freya and Mikayla, we are all really proud of you 😊.





Keeping Everyone Safe in School – A Gentle Reminder

COVID 19 symptoms in your child

Any child displaying symptoms of COVID19 must be sent home to be tested. As we are not medical professionals, it is difficult for us to determine whether a child has a cold or COVID symptoms so, to keep the whole school community safe we WILL call you and ask you to take your child to be tested if they show ANY ONE of the symptoms outlined on the NHS website.

These are ...

a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)

a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)

a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms. If your child is showing these symptoms at home, please do not send them into school.

If a child tests positive for COVID 19 then the **WHOLE** class bubble will need to self-isolate for 10 days. Please ensure you have emergency plans in place if this does happen. Remote teaching, will then take place and your child will be expected to engage in online learning for the whole period of isolation, unless they become too unwell to do so.

You can find out more here...

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms>

Funfest Whitsun Opening

Funfest will be open from Tuesday 1st to Friday 4th June. If you would like to find out more click here... fun-fest.co.uk/coleshillhighmeadow.

They will be celebrating spring and the National Growing for Wellbeing Week 🌱.

Whole Class Photographer

On Thursday 27th May, we will be having a professional photographer in school to take whole class (not individual) photos. Due to continued COVID restrictions we are still unable to invite siblings into school for family group photos but we are really hoping to be able to resume this again in the autumn term.





Events and Activities

May 2021

Thursday 27 th May	All day	Whole Class Photographer in
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HALF TERM HOLIDAY – Monday 31st May 2021 – Monday 7th June 2021 Inclusive

BACK TO SCHOOL – Tuesday 8th June 2021

June/July 2021

Date	Time	Activity
Wednesday 9 th June	4.30pm	NEW parents meeting for children starting nursery in September 2021- via ZOOM
Monday 14 th June – Monday 12 th July	3.10pm – 4.00pm	Year 3 Confident Kids Session start (5 sessions in total) for the final 15 children on the register
Friday 25 th June	1.00 – 3.00pm	The official opening of The Burrow (new build for KS2) and our Summer Sizzler – everyone invited! More details will follow nearer the time

Tuesday 20 th July	All day	Whole School Sports Fun Day (weather permitting!) PE kits to be worn all day
Wednesday 21 st July	9.00am – 12.00pm	Movies and Munchies and 'Own toy' day

LAST DAY OF THE TERM – Wednesday 21st July 2021

As always, we will be finishing at 12.45pm on the last day as Coleshill Primary are closing at 1.00pm. This is to allow you to collect your child from here first and then from Coleshill Primary afterwards.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS – Thursday 22nd July – Monday 6th September
(Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd September teacher training days)

BACK TO SCHOOL – Monday 6th September 2021

NB - Dates and timings may be subject to change. Please read weekly newsletters carefully for the most up-to-date information. Detailed information for class trips will be sent separately.

We hope you have a restful weekend,
Best wishes

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Mr Jonathan Smith – Chair of Governors governors2569@welearn365.com

