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I can't believe the final term is upon us and there is only seven more weeks until we break up for the summer holiday. This year has been both memorable and very busy for all of us. This half term will no doubt fly by; however there are lots of plans that need to be squeezed in.

Cultures of Coleridge Week

Our Cultures of Coleridge week was a huge success. Thank you so much to all of you that came into school to participate and work alongside the children. There was so much going on throughout the week - dancing, singing, drumming, cooking, storytelling, all of which enabled the school to truly celebrate and learn about the diverse cultures that make up our school. It is so important for our children to understand and have opportunities to learn about their heritage and the similarities and differences of the families around them that make up our school community.

Important changes to the use of school grounds after school

There has continued to be a number of accidents and some incidents of poor behaviour in the playground after school. If you decide to stay in the playground after school, please can you make sure you know where your children are at all times. Only children who are accompanied by adults can stay to use the play space.

Coleridge East if you are staying after school please can you use Haselmere playground and we would ask that you now leave by 4pm. Children being collected from clubs on East should be collected via the Crouch End Hill gate once the clubs finish.

If you are staying on **Coleridge West**, please can you use the play space at the front of the school by Year 3 and 4 and near the MUGA, not around the back of the school by Year 5 and 6 (this area will be closed). The playground will be open only until 4.30pm when clubs finish.

Litter and using the bins

We have an ongoing problem with lots of litter being thrown in the bushes and on the ground before and after school. We have invested in some extra bins for the playgrounds; please make sure your children use them. Unfortunately if the current situation in the playgrounds does not improve we are going to have to consider closing the school playgrounds straight after the school day.

Dates for your diaries

Monday 22nd June — Healthy Living Week

Thursday 2nd July— Parents' Evening

Friday 17th July – last day of school for all children

Monday 20th July – INSET day – school closed for all children

Monday 7th September—Children return to school



Coleridge Election

The Coleridge General Election was fantastic; the children had a genuine first-hand experience of politics. There was a buzz of excitement across the school, with children discussing the different policies in the playground and across the school. The election was won by Transform and you can see photos and the different party policies on the school website.



Coleridge Families

There have been a number of very successful events put on by Coleridge Families over the last term. The gig night was a huge success with parents and teacher bands entertaining the crowds. This half term there are a number of different events, there are talks planned on healthy eating and on first aid. There is of course the Summer Fair and the organising committee are busying themselves in order to get things ready for Saturday 27th June. Fingers crossed for some sunshine this year!

School Payments and Finance

The school has a Financial Audit on the 30th June. We would therefore ask that if you have any money outstanding on your account such as school meals, clubs and trip balances, please settle them as soon as possible. We are asking that you pay your dinner money at the start of each half term (starting this half term). Year 6 parents, please can you ensure that by the end of the term you have paid all outstanding money owed.

E-safety

We ran a hugely and well attended talk on E-safety last term. Sarah Burman, an advisory computing teacher, spoke at great length about the pitfalls and strategies to support our children through the ever changing world of technology. A list of links and resources about E-safety can be found on the school website.

School Website

We are currently in the process of designing and building a new school website. We have a photographer coming in on Tuesday 9th June to take photos of children and adults doing a variety of activities throughout the day. We very much hope that the new site will be ready and operational by the end of the term. The new website will be accessible on all computers and mobile devices.

Year 6

Year 6 had their SATs at the start of May, the children showed great resilience and really aspired to do their best and we were all especially proud of them. They are now preparing themselves for a well-deserved holiday together to PGL on the Isle of Wight. School Journey is such an important landmark for any child at Coleridge and is a positive and memorable experience for them all. The children this year are heading off to a variety of local state secondary schools and a range of different private and grammar schools. Their Leavers' Assembly is on Wednesday 15th July and all Year 6 parents are invited. Bring your tissues!

Healthy Living Week

Healthy Living Week will take place during the week beginning Monday 22nd June. There are a lot of different activities being planned for the children both off and on site. We will advise you about Sports Day as soon as we have confirmed venue.

Once again thank you to all of you for your continued support and I look forward to working alongside you to make this a great final term to the academic year.

Leon Choueke