

Collett Catch-Up



The Collett School
Special Educational Needs

Friday 24th March 2017

FA Cup Semi Finals

The lucky winner of our auction will be going to watch the Chelsea vs Tottenham Hotspur game. They will be enjoying a 3 course sit down lunch for 4 people in the VIP Bobby Moore Lounge, free drinks and 4 seats on the halfway line. What a fantastic experience for £1,220.

I would like to thank the lucky winner for their support, it is really appreciated.

Juniper Class

Juniper Class were the last ones to visit Gravity Force this week. They had a great time and even made friends with pupils from a main stream school. It has been lovely for all the pupils and their class adults to go and have great fun and return to school excited. Thank you to Dan Stocks for booking all the dates.

Music Festival

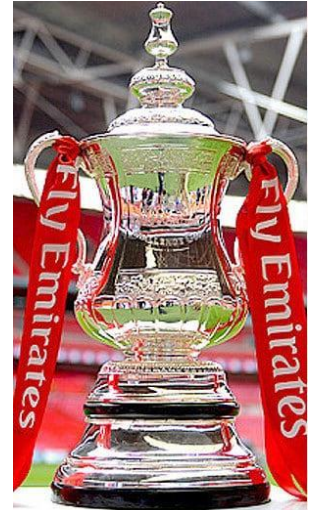
'The hall was alive with the sound of music' Tuesday as we hosted a MLD Schools Music Festival. We were joined by pupils from Colnbrook School, Middleton School and Woolgrove School. All the pupils sang together for four joint songs and each school had a turn at singing a song by themselves. It was lovely to hear the joyful singing. Thank you Mrs Cripps for arranging and co-ordinating the festival.

Cookery

This week we have been making some delicious classic scones. The children have enjoyed making them, sitting around the kitchen table and dolloping cream and jam onto their scones. It has really made my heart sing, watching the children enjoy eating and share their produce.

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/4622/classic-scones-with-jam-and-clotted-cream>

Mrs Curran, Cookery Teacher



FA Cup Semi Final Tickets



Classic Scones

Green Fingers

The sun is meant to be out and shining bright this weekend. If you are pottering about in the garden and are able to take a cutting or two we would love to expand and develop our planted areas.

Last Chance

This is the last week to buy your raffle tickets for the Easter Raffle. You could be sitting enjoying some of the lovely chocolate while the kids have fun at the Farmyard Funworld in Bushey, the XC Centre, Gullivers Theme Park or Kidzone. Tickets are £1 each, available from the school office, and the winners will be drawn on Thursday 30th March 2017.

Fun Evening!

Are you interested in an evening where you can sit, have some food, a few drinks and a good laugh?

Then come along to the Quiz Night on Thursday from 7-10pm. Tickets are £10 each which includes food and you bring your own drink. You don't need to have a team of 10 people; you can come along on your own or in a small group and join another small group. You also don't need to be the brain of Britain as the questions will be devised by the pupils of Aspen Class. Their last quiz night included some rather unique rounds, 'Name the Flavour' of different bowls of crisps, 'Who are the Celebrities' where the hair, eyes, nose and mouth were made up of different celebs.

The evening is being organised by Collett Innovative industries (Aspen class) and Warriors ABC with proceeds going towards new sports equipment that will benefit both the school and the boxing club.

There will be a raffle and prizes for the winning team. The defending champions are the school teachers but I am sure we have some parent or Governor teams out there who are up for a challenge.

Lockers Park School

On Friday 31st March Lockers Park School will be doing their Sponsored Walk to raise money for our school. The walk is 5 miles long and will start at 9.30 am from the front of our school. Some of our pupils and staff will be joining them on the walk but may stop at the halfway point and return to school in a minibus. Refreshments will be provided for participants at the halfway point and finish. The route finishes back at the front of Collett and everyone is expected to be back by 11.30 am. Parents and Carers are invited to join us.



Plant Cutting



Easter Raffle



Name the Flavour

Coffee Catch-Up

Although there will be no assembly on Friday 31st March due to the Sponsored Walk, the Coffee Morning will still be taking place 9.30 am in the Art Room. There will be tea, coffee and cake for everyone. All parents and carers are invited to come along and enjoy a relaxing chat with other parents and carers. We will also have some leaflets about some holiday activities and information on why the donkey sanctuary visits the children.

Autism Awareness Week

Monday 27th March to Sunday 2nd April 2017 is Autism Awareness Week and during this week, the emphasis will be to teach our pupils "It's Okay To Be Different."

Pupils across the school will be taking part in workshops in class. The teachers will be encouraging them to emphasise the difference between themselves and others in a positive way. They will have time to reflect on how their friends are different to them.

The world would be a boring place if we were all the same!

To celebrate World Autism Week the Friends of Collett will be hosting a special Coffee Catch-Up after assembly on Friday 31st March. All parents are invited to attend.

Naidex is almost here!

We are only weeks away from the biggest disability and independent living event in Europe, have you registered for your free ticket yet?!

Returning under new management to the Birmingham NEC from the 28th - 30th March, Naidex is set to smash all expectations. 250 exhibitors, 185 CPD accredited seminars and 12,000 visitors. This is an unmissable event for anyone who lives with or cares for a disabled person, is working in the disability sector, or is in fact disabled themselves.

Get involved - register for your FREE ticket and be a part of this remarkable event. <http://naidex.co.uk/>

When Is The Show?

28th to 30th March 2017, NEC, Birmingham

Doors: Tues & Weds 10AM - 5PM, Thurs 10AM - 4PM

Governor Vacancy

We have parent and co-opted governor vacancies at The Collett School.

This is a great opportunity to be part of the development and monitoring of this



fantastic and unique school. Governors are fully immersed in the strategy and detail of the school and meet regularly. There is a time commitment required of successful applicants - usually evenings, though also school day visits and meetings. Governors would be invited to be part of the curriculum committee and/or the finance and resources committee, working together as the Full Governing Body.

If interested, please contact the Headteacher in the first instance.

Tandem Sky Dive or Wingwalk

Do you or anyone you know fancy taking to the skies and helping to raise money for the school?

I did the Sky Dive last year and it was an amazing experience. My fear level was very high as I do not like heights but the thrill and views were definitely worth it. Are you available on Sunday 11th June 2017?



Wingwalk

Sainsbury Active Kids

Do you shop in Sainsbury or know people that do?

We are collecting the vouchers again this year, so please, if you shop in Sainsbury send your vouchers into school. If you also have any family and friends that have any vouchers, we will gladly put them to good use.



Sainsbury Active Kids

Gade Schools Families Support

New Parenting Courses/Workshops April 2017

Booking is essential. Unless otherwise stated all of the workshops/courses will be held at The Gade Community Room, off of Chaulden Junior School, School Row, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, HP1 2JU

Managing Challenging Behaviours (Deadline to book is Thursday 20th April 2017)

Autism Support – 1:1 Advice Sessions (Deadline to book is Tuesday 2nd May 2017)

Managing Anger (Deadline to book is Wednesday 17th May 2017)

Autism Support – 1:1 Advice Sessions (Deadline to book is Tuesday 13th June 2017)

Boys will be Boys (Deadline to book is Wednesday 14th June 2017)

Managing the Transition to Secondary School (Deadline to book is Tuesday 20th June 2017)

Understanding Teen Behaviour (Deadline to book is Tuesday 4th July 2017)

Please note - If you would like to book onto our courses or to find out more information please contact Emma Christie on 01442 278793 or email:

e.christie@cavendish.herts.sch.uk

Dacorum Sibling Group

The group will be held once a month on a Wednesday 4-6pm for children between the ages of 5-11yrs, for up to 20 children for children that attend schools in the Dacorum area. Each month there will be a different activity, snack and drink, group games and an opportunity for free play. The group is designed to give young people a break and provide fun activities. There is a £1.00 voluntary donation per a week. Please note a child will not be booked on until the basic information details form is received. Once the form is received and a place is reserved, you will receive a confirmation email.

Hobbs Hill Wood School | 4 –6pm | Snacks & drinks | £1 voluntary donation

For more info contact Ashley Fabray on 07525917125

24th May - Fit for Fun

21st June - Jungle Jo

19th July - Fit for Fun

20th Sept - Herts Inclusive Theatre

18th Oct - Fit for Fun

22nd Nov - Yoga

13th Dec - Christmas Party

17th Jan - Fit for Fun

21st Feb - Sublime Science

21st March - Fit for Fun

19th April – Herts Inclusive Theatre

New workshops for Herts

Expert Parent - Mental Health & CAMHS - Hatfield

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/expert-parent-programme-navigating-the-health-system-tickets-32520780530?aff=es2>

Expert Parent Programme - Navigating the Health system

The Expert Parent Training Course Central to the Expert Training Programme is the Expert Parent Training Course, a 4-hour training session delivered by experienced parent trainers that will develop parents' knowledge and confidence when dealing with the health system. The workshop is delivered by parent carers who can share this expertise and insight to parents who want to learn more about how to get the best out of the health system for their children. The Expert Parent Programme is unique in that it maps out the current health system specifically to the needs of children and young people with disabilities. By empowering parents to advocate on behalf of their children, the programme has allowed participants to have more effective and

efficient interactions with health practitioners saving time and improving experience for both family and service. Through a combination of face-to-face sessions, online modules and web based resources the programme enables parent carers to better understand the health.

This workshop is funded by Council for Disabled Children (CDC) and features Louise Revnscroft, an experienced parent carer trainer who has family insight of child mental health services.

E-mail sendpass@yahoo.co.uk for more information and to register for other workshops including EHCP, SEN Support and SEND Navigator.

Achievements and Results

Achievements

Bronze Award – Evie, Rai, John

Silver Award – Darrah, Zak, Kamran, Lucy, Daniella, Leo, Aneurin, Charlie, Sajad, Jamie, Reece, Oliver, Jasmine, Dominic, Logan, Lewis, Kian, Jonathan, Cameron, Lee, Billy, Ian, Elisha, Lukas, Charlie,

Gold Award – Lillie, Shaun

Platinum Award – Maddox, Liam, Kerrie, Lucy-May, Ethan, Mason, Nina,

Headteacher's Award – George, Harry

Reading Achievement – Shuhag, Abaigh, Harry, Lewis, Luke, Josh, Harry

Friday Assembly

Our Post 16 students were showing off their interview skills this morning. They were telling us about the work experience they have done and what they are interested in. They have all been working with younger pupils in school during break times or even class trips. Some have also helped in the school office. The parents and carers of our Post 16 students joined them for tea and scones after assembly.

Mr Hault-Allen showed us some of the photos that Miss Rockley has taken for the new school website. Why not go on line and have a look. If you also have any comments or suggestions about the new school website please send them to admin@collett.herts.sch.uk

Today in history: 24th March

1603: James VI Scotland became James I England, unifying the two countries

1957: European Union was born

2017: UK decides on date for triggering Article 50 to leave the EU. Scotland wants to leave the UK

Forthcoming Events

March Events

Thursday 30th March – Quiz Night

Friday 31st March – Lockers Park School, Sponsored Walk

Friday 31st March – No Assembly due to sponsored walk

Friday 31st March – Coffee Catch-Up 9.30 am

Friday 31st March – End of Term – School Finishes at 1:00 pm

Mrs Rachael Lampey

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