

Collett Catch-Up



Friday 22nd September 2017

AUTUMN FAYRE

School's out for the weekend, but we're hoping to see many of you back in school tomorrow between 2-5pm for the Autumn Fayre!

It is guaranteed to be a great day for all the family, with countless fun games and stalls. 'Splat the Rat' returns and there will be a 'How Many Lollipops?' guessing game amongst other things.

We will be showing off our school tea towels for the first time – be sure to grab one! School bags will also be available.

A huge, huge thank you to those that donated prizes, your overwhelming generosity meant the floor was so packed that I couldn't reach the kettle – job well done! The cakes look fantastic; so fantastic, in fact, that I will dream of them in my sleep (those who follow us on social media will know how good they look). All will be revealed at next week's assembly as to which classes will receive golden time for their gift donation efforts.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNINGS

Sandalwood Class will be hosting not one but TWO coffee mornings to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Cakes, tea, coffee and hot chocolate will be 50p (further donations will be highly appreciated!).



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 23rd September – Collett Autumn Fayre, 2pm-5pm

Thursday 28th & Friday 29th Sept – Macmillan Coffee Morning, hosted by Sandalwood Class, 9.30-11.30

OCTOBER

Wednesday 4th October – No Pens Wednesday

Thursday 5th October – Rooks & Ravens Boat Trip

Friday 13th October – Coffee, Cake and Catch Up, after assembly

If you're free on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th of September between 9.30 and 11.30, you have no excuse – come join us for a great couple of mornings!

SCHOOL TRANSPORT

Over the last two weeks, Herts Parent Carer Involvement (HPCI) has been made aware that some Herts children and young people with an EHCP have had their Home to School Transport either withdrawn or have had to reapply and submit further evidence.

This has caused extra stress and work for parents and also for schools. HCPI would like to gather evidence on the scale of this issue as we intend to raise it as a matter of urgency with county councillors and officers.

If you have had a problem with your child's home to school transport this term, please can you fill out HCPI's short survey found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/HertsTransport2017>

HERTS ADDITIONAL NEEDS DATABASE NEWS

FUNDING SECURED FOR SOCIAL CARE INNOVATION

“Disabled children in Hertfordshire will soon benefit from a £1.1m project that has just been awarded funding by the Department of Education. [Herts County Council (HCC)] have teamed up with Staffordshire County Council, the Council for Disabled Council (CDC) and Credo Care Disability Foster Placements in an exciting new specialist foster care venture.”

“[HCC] are aiming to keep all disabled children in care within the county in the future, rather than live in long term residential care away from home where they may remain for the rest of their lives.”

NEW FOR HERTS LIBRARIES – MAKATON STORIES FOR KIDS

Herts Library Service has recently purchased a number of picture book stories told with Makton symbols. The Days Out series are set in different seasons of the year; each story involves getting ready, travelling, enjoying the destination and the end of the day. Also available are the Makaton book of colours and the Makaton book of numbers.

The books can be found in the Caring for Children collections in the larger libraries across Hertfordshire. Families can also request the books, free of charge, into any library with their child's library card.

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FRIDAY ASSEMBLY

With Mr Houlton-Allen away, Mrs Stocks led a riveting Friday Assembly. The theme this week was 'time', and Mrs Stocks took all of us back through history, describing the world as it was 500, 5000 and 65 MILLION years ago, taking in Shakespeare, Michelangelo (not the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle...), the Sahara before it was a desert and dinosaurs. Abbie and Josh took their turn on centre stage for their own Talent Spots, each getting us all singing and dancing.

Hope you all have a great weekend!

Mr Harry Crawford

The Collett School

QUICK REMINDER

Oaklands College open evenings and other key dates for this year can be found [on our website](#).

THINGS TO LOOK OUT FOR

WE'RE IN BOXMOOR DIRECT!

Those who live in Boxmoor, Chaulden, Felden and Bourne End and receive Boxmoor Direct will see our new column in the next edition, due to be distributed at the end of September.