



"Through hard work, inspiration, mutual respect and enjoyment, we will achieve success together."

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Dates for your diary:-

School closes 2:55pm on Friday 31 March for Easter and re-opens at 8:30am on Tuesday 18 April
Year 9 Parents Evening
Thursday 20 April
Year 10 Parent Evening
Thursday 27 April
Friday 28 April—Inset day, school closed to students

Use of Ice Packs -

Due to the large number of Ice Packs not being re-turned to Matron at the end of the day after a student has used it as the result of sustaining an injury in school, we are now asking that students sign when an Ice Pack is issued to them and a charge of £3.00 will be imposed if they are not returned.

Thank you

News from the Headteacher

Following significant demand from parents for places in next year's Year 7, we have made 210 offers to Year 6 parents for our Year 7 in September 2017 which means that we will have seven tutor groups in that particular year. We are delighted that so many parents want their children at John Colet but sadly, we are unable to accommodate anymore than seven tutor groups in that year group.

I would like to wish "good luck" to everyone revising for exams this summer. Year 13 are sitting the very first exams in the new A Levels. Year 11 are sitting the first of the new grades 1-9 in GCSE Maths, English Language and English Literature. This has put additional pressures on students, staff and parents as there are no past papers and grade boundaries are not known. I know that everyone is working hard and pushing themselves.

We will be saying farewell to Mrs Griffin and Miss Betts who are starting their maternity leave this Easter.

We are also saying farewell to Miss Brodie (Spanish and French) who is moving to a school much closer to home, to Mrs Bakermault (Maths) who is leaving us on promotion and Mrs Evans (Learning Support Assistant). We wish them all the best for the future.

There will be some changes to teachers of classes due to the above and Heads of Department will be emailing out to the relevant parents/carers the names of new class teachers.

We are welcoming to John Colet after Easter, Miss Kinnear (MFL), Mr Turner (Science) and Mrs Kusemwa (Maths)

School Uniform and make-up reminder.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that students arrive to school looking smart and appropriately dressed. Unfortunately, there are a small minority who are not adhering to our uniform policy which states that 'discreet make up can be worn.' Discreet means a natural unobtrusive look.

Dealing with students who refuse to follow these rules takes up valuable staff time that that should be fully focused on supporting students and their learning. Students with 'heavy make-up' will be sent to the school office and instructed to remove it. Below is list of some make up looks that we do not deem discreet;

Heavy mascara and/or eye liner

Brightly coloured lipstick

Brightly coloured or heavy eyeshadow

Heavy artificial eyebrows

Eye liner flicks

This is not an exhaustive list but hopefully gives you some guidance about how we define discreet.



World Challenge trip pancake day fundraiser.

The pancake day fundraiser was a great success! All 184 pancakes were sold in 40 minutes. The event was organised entirely by World Challenge students, raising over £70 for their trip.

Request from Local Residents

There have been several incidents recently of bad/inconsiderate parking in and around the school campus culminating in complaints from local residents and those trying to use the Memorial Hall car park for legitimate reasons. We have been asked to ask all parents not to use the Memorial Hall car park when dropping off and collecting students from school.

There have also been three incidents reported to us involving parents driving dangerously at the start or end of the school day. One incident ended in a collision and in another incident, two cars neither of which would give way to the other, drove out of the school and down Wharf road side by side. These incidents are clearly very dangerous and we understand have been reported to the police by members of the public who have witnessed the incidents. Could we please request that when at all possible you do not bring cars into the school campus and drive safely and sensibly at all times.

Thank you on behalf of the local residents.

Under 13 Girls Football

The U13 girls reached the County Cup Final where they faced a very strong Chesham Grammar side and unfortunately lost 5-0. The girls did very well to get that far in the first place. Those involved were: Jenny, Alicia, Sophie C, Sophie T, Megan, Saoirse, Aisha, Kiyana, Tilly, Ella, Sophie H, Maddison, Ellie, Daniella, Katie, Emma.

Year 8 Boys Football

The John Colet Year 8 boys football team have been crowned Buckinghamshire County Cup Winners after beating rivals Dr Challoner's Grammar School; 2.0 in an intense final at Thame United Football Club.

Goals from strikers; Curtis and Ethan gave the team the decisive victory in the final hurdle or their well-deserved cup glory.

On a mild September afternoon the team had their first Cup game of the season. With a target of going 'one better' in the cup run than their previous season where they were runners up. The team were fired up to start their cup campaign against a Cottesloe side who we had played a week previously in a friendly and came out as 3.2 winners. A tight, close game was expected. What followed was anything but close. An 8.0 demolishing of our local rivals was to follow, With Curtis scoring 4 goals, Ethan scoring 3 and Charlie 'screamer' finishing the rout.

Into the Round of 16, away at Sir Henry Floyd. The team Jubilant from their previous outing but cautious due to the class a strong Sir Henry Floyd could produce. Clinical finishing, hard work, and a ridged defence proved too much for the home team. 1.5 to John Colet, goals spread around the team from; Curtis, Phillip, Charlie, Ethan and Liam W.

The Quarter Final draw took us away to Hazeley. With a depleted squad due to injuries the squad of eleven was tasked with taking the team through to the Semi-finals. A first half display where we missed plentiful opportunities to score, cost the team as we came in at 1.1, a Charlie finish for John Colet. Injuries during the second half reduced the team to ten men. Would this be the end of the dream? Of course not. The boys rose to the occasion like a wounded animal, goalkeeper Josh produced fine save after fine save to keep the team in contention. But then it was Curtis who took control of the game and scored a second half hat trick with Liam W completing the scoring. The score finishing 1.5 to John Colet for the second game running.

A home Semi-final versus Shenley Brook End was the next encounter. In a tight, well fought first half the John Colet boys were up at the half; 1.0 through a wonderfully taken header from Ethan at the near post. The second half was a polar opposite with 10 goals scored between the two team in 30 minutes of play. A second goal from dynamic striker Ethan a Phillip 25 yard drive into the bottom corner, a Ben close range finish and 4 goals in 4 minutes from our coveted striker Curtis took John Colet's total to a monstrous 8 goals in our 8.3 semi victory.

The excitement of another cup final, winner's medals and pizza was the talk of the year group over the coming fortnight as the team prepared themselves for the big day.

14 of March 2017, a beautiful blue sky, Cup final day had arrived. John Colet wearing their classic sky blue attire, the opponents black and red stripes. Confidence was sky high, with the team led by cultured Captain Liam G, the team was ready to take on the might of Dr Challoners. John Colet in their Sky blue shirts begun the game at a blistering pace, pushing down the left side of the pitch, two touch football the name of the game, and their opponents couldn't get close. The first half was an even affair but with star center backs George and Antonio keeping the opposing strikers at bay the team never looked like losing. A delightful, calculated chip over the top from Philip set up top goal scorer Curtis put the sky blues into a well-deserved half time lead.

The second half much like the first was dominated by John Colet. Josh, Ben and Liam G all having commanding games. As the sky blues pushed forward to get that ever so elusive second goal the game began to open up. But as always the John Colet defence stopped any attacks before they could get close to testing goalkeeper Josh. John Colet peppered the opponent's goal right up till the final minutes of the game, when teamwork prevailed. A quick interchange down the right hand side allowed Charlie to release man of the match Liam G who took on and beat his defender only to keep calm and place a well-timed pass into the oncoming Ethan who calmly slotted past the keeper to make the score 2.0. Roars from the crowd of parents, coaches and players erupted over the Thame United stadium as the final whistle was blown and John Colet had reached their goal of County Cup Champions!

A big 'Well done' to all the players who played in the matches this season. Coach Mr Hemming is very proud of how far you have come and what you have achieved this year as a team, and is looking forward to what you can accomplish in the future.



Modern Foreign Language news!

Just a reminder about our Modern Foreign Language (MFL) club - this runs every lunchtime in LA2 and students can get help with homework or do extra French or Spanish supported by Ms Simpson.

Students are welcome to bring their lunch.

We continue to run the Duolingo competition and top scorers are sent a postcard home every week. Duolingo is an easy and excellent application which reinforces vocabulary.

Parents are also invited to join in the 'parents classroom'- for any information please contact:- isimpson@johncolet.co.uk

**SHOP LOCAL AND SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY!****VILLAGE MARKET****ASTON CLINTON SCHOOL****SUNDAY 7TH MAY, 2017, 11am – 4pm**

In need of some retail therapy combined with a foodie experience to rave about? Then get your shopping shoes and taste buds in training for the ninth annual Aston Clinton Village Market!

Just months away it promises to be another fun-packed family extravaganza complete with stalls so varied you won't know where to start browsing, an amazing array of fresh produce to both sample and take home, great local music and entertainment, children's crafts and games and delicious hot and cold food options as well as wine, Pimm's and beer.

Last year more than 2,000 people flocked to the sun-drenched 2016 market helping to raise vital funds for our amazing village school, as well as enjoying a great day out. And although we can't guarantee wall-to-wall sunshine, the market does yet again promise to combine the nostalgia of a great community party with stalls and refreshments to suit all tastes and budgets.

Over the years the market has been the setting for pitches selling everything from vintage furniture and soft furnishings to plants, hand-crafted jewellery and accessories and handmade cards. Plus the variety of farmers' market produce on offer ranges from fresh fruit and veg to mouth-watering cakes and sweets, oils and marinades to cheese and chutneys. Not to mention paella cooked in giant pans, fantastic BBQ and the beer tent run by the Aston Clinton Beer Festival.

So support a wealth of craftsmanship and expertise from right here on your doorstep as well as Aston Clinton School – just don't forget your bags and browsing time!

For more information about Village Market or to enquire about booking a stall or catering pitch, please visit:

www.acvillagemarket.co.uk or email: bookings@acvillagemarket.co.uk

FREE Parenting Groups

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Aylesbury area

Incredible Years School Age
Wednesdays
19/04/2017—12/07/2017
9.45am—12.15pm

Teen Triple P
Fridays
12/05/2017 9.30am—3.00pm
26/05/2017 9.30am—12.30pm

Stepping Stones
Thursdays
4/05/2017—29/06/2017
9.45am—12.15pm

High Wycombe area

Group Triple P
Wednesdays
3/05/2017—21/06/2017
12.30pm—3.00pm

Teen Triple P
Fridays
5/05/2017 9.30am—3.00pm
19/05/2017 9.30am—12.30pm

Stepping Stones
Fridays
12/05/2017 9.30am—3.00pm
26/05/2017 9.30am—12.30pm

Chilterns area

Incredible Years School Age
Tuesdays
2/05/2017—18/07/2017
12.30pm—2.30pm
Coffee morning 18/04/2017

Teen Triple P
Fridays
16/06/2017 9.30am—3.00pm
30/06/2017 9.30am—12.30pm

Comments received from parents on completion of the course:

- 'Fantastic programme, helped me and my family. The house is now a calm and quiet place.'
- 'Very happy I attended. It helped me to rebuild relationship with me children and enjoy spending time together again.'
- 'Useful strategies which help you to deal with difficult situations.'



Ollie's Fund

BARN DANCE

Saturday 8 April

Wendover Memorial Hall 7pm—10pm

Bring your own food and drink

Tickets: Adults £10.00 Children £5.00

Tickets are available from Dead Universe Comics, Bourbon Street. Aylesbury.

Memorial Hall, Wendover or call 07500 091474

WORLD BOOK DAY COMPETITION – FOR FUN

NAME THE BOOKS THESE CHARACTERS APPEAR IN!



1. LORD VOLDEMORT
2. MISS TRUNCHBULL
3. BILL SYKES
4. COUNT OLAF
5. QUEEN OF HEARTS



6. CHRISTOPHER ROBIN

7. ASLAN

8. AUGGIE

9. ARYA STARK

10. SCOUT FINCH

11. MOG

12. ANNE FRANK

13. FERN ZUCKERMAN

14. TOM OAKLEY

15. ALEX RIDER

16. YOUNG ARTHUR (WART)

17. THE MUNCHKINS

18. JO MARCH

19. HARRIET MANNERS

20. BILBO BAGGINS

21. STANLEY YELNATS

22. HICCUP

23. WILLY WONKA

24. GULLIVER

25. PROFESSOR MORIARTY

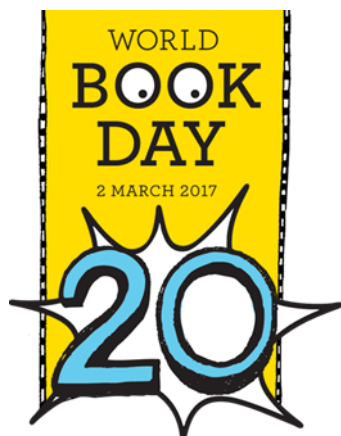
26. MR BUMBLE

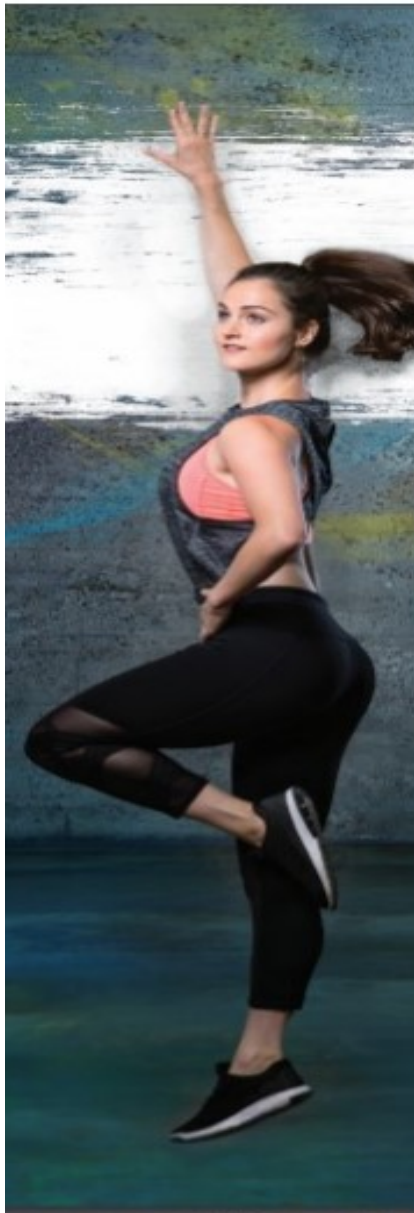
27. PRINCE CASPIAN

28. TOM SAWYER

29. "M"

30. TOM, AMBER, ROBIN, GEORGE, AND SALLY





WE RAISE THE BAR

YOU RISE TO THE CHALLENGE

Keri Donnellan- 07900 987230, jazzercise1@hotmail.co.uk
www.jazzercise.net/uk-aylesbury/

Wendover, John Colet School Gym
Wednesday 7.30pm (starts 19 April)

Weston Turville Combined School
Tuesday 7.30pm
Thursday Strength45 7.30pm

Stoke Mandeville Combined School
Saturday 9.30am

The Grange School, Aylesbury
Monday & Wednesday 7.30pm

Bierton Jubilee Hall
Sunday 10.00am



*It takes a special person to...
...walk all night for the Hospice*



Midnight Walk 2017

Saturday 24 June

6 or 13 mile walk for women
starting and finishing at Aylesbury College
fnhospice.org.uk/midnight-walk



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Aylesbury Youth Action
Supporting Young People to help their Local Community



Not sure what you are doing this half- term?!

Are you interested in film-making, children's work, theatre or making a difference in the community? Why not join Aylesbury Youth Action this April with exciting projects that will range from conservation, creating a Youtube channel to helping out backstage at the Waterside theatre.

There are many more projects that can be found on our website for April holidays and afterwards.

If you're interested in this or any other project feel free to contact us on:

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