



Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

We've had a lovely arts week in school with lots of unusual activities, visitors and clubs. Thanks to Miss Parton for organising us all.

Year 1 made shelters in Forest Schools on Monday and Miss Hough, Mrs Frater and I enjoyed showing lots of visitors round during open day on Tuesday. On Wednesday we met many of our new families for September, which was also a real pleasure; we are really looking forward to working with them.

Our year 2 children have enjoyed a residential visit to Foxhowl in Delamere this week and I don't think I have seen a happier group of children! One of them told me on Wednesday at bedtime 'I want to go to sleep quick so it will soon be morning and we can have another exciting day'. Well done to the whole team and thanks to Mrs Phillipson for thinking of every detail!

The PTFA meet on Monday at 6pm - all welcome. Year 5 will be visiting Delamere Forest and year 4 will be having their "WOW" day on Wednesday.

Staff will be busy helping to decorate St Michael's Church with the children's work after school next week in preparation for the 'FAB' festival - please try to visit; I think it's going to be spectacular this year.

Warm regards

Mrs A J Booth - Federation Headteacher

Class Merits

RTC	Senudi for her artistic 'life cycle of a butterfly' painting
REH	Callum for trying hard with take away challenges and during writing sessions
1CB	Amelia for her excellent concentration, participation and skilful movements in our dance workshop during arts week. Well done Amelia!
1ST/AP	Gracie for persevering to perfect her weaving technique
2RG	Micah for his creative choreography skills during our dance workshop
2EP	Sam for his fantastic expression of a piece of music through his artwork
3HD	Conor for excellent expressions during our graffiti art
3NT	Jacob for demonstrating great art and poetry writing skills
4LA	Leah and Josh for excellent team work during a weaving activity
4AW	Marysia-May for fantastic effort on the roman shield during art week
5KM	Maddie for her excellent use of sign language when learning a new song
5LW	Pheobe, Macey, Destiny and Harriet for super teamwork during our weaving lesson
6AP	Cerys for a fantastic effort in writing

Dates for your Diary (more dates are available on the website)

Monday 11th June: Year 4 Forest School 'WOW' morning
Monday 11th June 6pm - 7pm: PTFA meeting
Tuesday 12th June 9.15am - 11.30am: Swimming Gala
Wednesday 13th June: Year 5 Delamere Forest visit
Wednesday 13th June: Year 4 'WOW' day
Wednesday 13th June 1pm - 3pm: Supporting Your Child's L + D course
Thursday 14th June 6pm - 7pm: Governor meeting - GPNS
Friday 15th June: Arts review for parents 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Friday 15th June: Middlewich Folk and Boat Festival
Monday 18th June - EYFS Forest School "WOW" morning
Monday 18th June - Outdoor Learning Day
Tuesday 19th June - Sports Day EYFS+KS1 - 9.15am/ KS2 - 12.45pm
Wednesday 20th June - 2pm - Great Get Together
Wednesday 20th June 1pm - 3pm: Supporting Your Child's L + D course
Thursday 21st June - Year 5 to MHS "WOW" day
Friday 22nd June - EYFS Knowsley Safari park trip
Monday 25th June - Year 2 Forest School morning
Wednesday 27th June - Year 3 + 4 Olympic festival - MHS
Wednesday 27th June - 1pm - 3pm: Supporting Your Child's L + D course
Thursday 28th June - FGB Governors meeting - 6pm - 8pm - GPNS

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK - 4AW

Mr Williamson
98.2%

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK: 93.4%
WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR: 95.4%

RTC: 95.6%	REH: 89.6%
1CB: 90.3%	1ST/AP: 84.6%
2RG: 91%	2EP: 92.9%
3HD: 97.5%	3NT: 93.8%
4LA: 93.3%	4AW: 98.2%
5LW: 96.9%	5KM: 94%
6AP: 96.1%	

We have had a creative first week back to school with dance workshops and an 'art day' on Thursday. The children displayed different ways to 'express themselves' through dance, singing and artwork. Reception paired up with Year 1 to make a loom using a mixture of fabrics and natural resources. The children also answered the question 'If you were a colour, which colour would you be?' Next week we will be reading 'Commotion in the Ocean' by Giles Andreae.

EYFS team

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ALL - FAMILY HOLIDAYS DURING TERM-TIME

Parents/carers are strongly discouraged from taking a family holiday during term time. Term time holidays will only be considered in very exceptional circumstances. Families wishing to take holidays during term time will need to complete a Leave of absence request form and make an appointment with the head teacher. Current government guidelines on holidays during term time are very clear - Headteachers are not permitted to authorise except under very exceptional circumstances.

Parents need to be aware that the Education Welfare Service may issue a Fixed Penalty Notice should there be an unauthorised absence of more than 10 sessions (5 days).

Penalties for unauthorised absence

Timeline	One child	Two children
Paid within 21 days	£60 per parent	£60 per child = £120 per parent
After 21 days and before 28 days	£120 per parent	£120 per child = £240 per parent
After 28 days	The parents will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds the parents have failed to secure their child's regular attendance	The parents will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds the parents have failed to secure their children's regular attendance

ALL - FEEDBACK AND MARKING

I am writing to you to inform you about the changes that we have made to our marking and feedback practice in school. Research shows that in many cases, written comments do not always have the most impact on pupil progress. In fact, pupils themselves have told us that immediate in class feedback from their teachers can often be more helpful than written comments, looked at in later sessions. As a result, like many other schools, we have trialled a new approach to feedback which involves more instant verbal comments, group feedback and the use of codes which are quick and easy to understand. Written responses in pupils' books are only made when it is judged to be the most useful, effective and efficient method of feedback.

We have found that this new approach is having a positive impact on pupils' progress as it is providing relevant, timely and purposeful feedback.

If you would like to find out more about these changes, please visit the school website to see our Feedback Policy.

Mrs S Frater

Deputy Head Teacher

ALL - ABSENCE

On the first day back this week, Mrs Roberts made 12 phone calls to parents/carers of children that were absent. Can we remind everyone that all absences MUST to be reported to school; this can be done by either ringing and leaving a message on our pupil absence messaging facility, emailing the school by 9:10am or speaking to a member of staff on the gate or in the office. If there is no reason given for your child's absence, this will be marked as unauthorised.

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ALL - GREAT GET TOGETHER-WEDNESDAY 20TH JUNE

This year Cledford will be celebrating the 'Great Get Together' on Wednesday 20th June. You are all invited to attend and, if you wish, bring snacks, drinks and picnic items for you and your child/ren. Parents and friends will be let in at the emergency gates at 2pm and should collect their child/ren from their class teacher on the field. You will need to sign out your child with their class teacher. Once the event has finished, you can take your child/ren home with you, leaving through the emergency gate. If you are unable to attend but would like your child to spend the event with another adult, you must inform school either in writing, a note in the reading diary, through a message on the gate or let the office know in advance of the afternoon. Please note, we can only authorise children to be signed out by another adult, if the message has come from **the parent of that child** and not the other adult who is signing them out. We look forward to seeing you in the sunshine.

All - SPORTS DAY

On Tuesday 19th June, the children will be showing us a magnificent display of determination, resilience and sportsmanship as we hold our Sports Day. There will be 2 separate events for key stage 1 and key stage 2, as follows: EYFS and key stage 1: 9:15am Key stage 2: 12:45pm

To ensure key stage 1 are ready for action at 9:15am, please send your child in to school on Tuesday 19th in their PE kit. Key stage 2 children are to arrive in uniform as usual. Please ensure that your child has a water bottle and suncream, if necessary. If you would like to come and watch, please enter school via the emergency gate on Long Lane South 10 minutes before the start time. Key stage 2 children will be dismissed as normal at the end of the day. We look forward to welcoming you all. Fingers crossed for sunshine!

ALL - ARTS WEEK

This week has been arts week. The theme has been 'Express Yourself' where the children have enjoyed a variety of activities focusing on art, music, dance and drama. All of the children have taken part in a workshop with Bridget Fiske, a dance artist who works closely with The Lowry theatre; an outdoor weaving workshop with Miss Parton and a cello performance.

Following on from arts week, we would like to invite you to our arts review next Friday at 1:30pm. This will be an opportunity to see the children perform and share what they have learnt during arts week. We would love to see you there!

YEAR 4 - "WOW" DAY

A message has been put into your child's reading diary. The children are invited to dress up as Romans, something to do with Romans or the colour of the Italian flag.

Office News

Week beginning the 11th June is week one. Please see our website for details.

LOST PROPERTY

Please call in to the office to look through to see if you can reclaim any lost items; **Any items not claimed will be disposed of at the end of this term.**