



Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Welcome to a new school year!

It has been lovely to see the children after the summer break; they have settled in really well to their new classes whilst working hard in their lessons and looking smart in their school uniforms. We also welcome back experienced teacher Mrs Wright to Cledford this year who will be working in year 4 alongside Mr Simpson.

Changing the school day times has been a big success with the children reporting they have enjoyed their playtimes much more as a result of separate key stage 1 and key stage 2 breaks. This has meant that the children in each key stage have much more space.

This term, every classroom has set up a 'recognition board' which celebrates those children that have been making the right choices in school. Different classes have different themes for their board and include a VIP board, a superhero board and even a proud cloud. Many spot rewards have also been given in classes for a variety of different reasons throughout the week.

Thanks to all the parents that came along to the year 6 residential parent meeting last night. The pupils and staff are really looking forward to their visit to Conover Hall in a few weeks time.

Have a lovely weekend.

Nicola Hough - Head of School

Class Merits

1 Mrs Higgins	Eva for showing such resilience in her first full week at school
2 Miss O'Nions	Alice for always showing she is ready for learning at carpet time
3 Mrs Bowbeer	Scarlett for settling really well into her new school life at Cledford. Well done Scarlett!
4 Miss Parton/Mrs Coppock	Aaron for being an enthusiastic, reliable and responsible 'snack monitor' in our class
5 Miss Gerrard	Cameron for having super ideas and helping others
6 Mrs Lester/Mrs Peters	Alice for always being ready, respectful and safe. A model of the school rules and always gives 100%
7 Mrs Power	Lucy for her polite, positive and caring nature
8 Mrs Appleton	Jack for settling into Cledford and Class 8 perfectly
9 Mr Simpson	Maisy for a great start to the year, working extremely hard with a positive attitude to her learning
10 Mrs Marsland	Phoebe for demonstrating all the qualities expected in year 5. Keep it up!
11 Miss Wagstaff	Kian for exemplary behaviour at all times
12 Mr Adlington	Elizabeth for being a model pupil
13 Miss Platt	Lucas for his impressive geographical knowledge of countries and their capital cities

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

Monday 16th September : EYFS Little Treasures Day
Monday 16th September : 6:00pm - PTFA AGM
Wednesday 18th September : Y4 violin lessons commence
Friday 20th September : World Peace Day
Friday 20th September - Y4 trip to Clonter Musical Theatre
Friday 20th September : Y1 Forest School
Monday 23rd September : Arts Week
Monday 23rd September : 15:15 - 17:00 - Meet the teacher
Tuesday 24th September : Stay and Get Arty (times to follow)
Thursday 26th September : 2:30pm and 6:00pm - EYFS 'Stay and Get Learning'
Friday 27th September : Macmillan coffee morning
Friday 27th September : Y5 Forest School
Tuesday 1st October : 2pm - 3:30pm - Parent forum - all welcome
Friday 4th October : Y1 Forest School

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK
Class 2 and class 12 - Miss O'Nions and Mr Adlington

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK: 97.1%
WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR: 97.1%

Class 1: 98.2%	Class 2: 100%
Class 3: 99.2%	Class 4: 95.8%
Class 5: 98.2%	Class 6: 99%
Class 7: 97.5%	Class 8: 95.6%
Class 9: 96.7%	Class 10: 96.4%
Class 11: 93.2%	Class 12: 100%
Class 13: 94.6%	

What a great start we have had! The children are settled and enjoying exploring their new indoor and outdoor classroom. All the children have completed their baseline assessment and are ready to get learning. Please don't forget your treasure boxes on Monday 16th September to share with their class for 'Little Treasures Day'. The boxes will be returned to you at the end of the day so please don't worry about any precious/sentimental items you may want to include. Our theme next week will be pirates and treasure! Thank you! The EYFS team

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YEAR 5 - SHOE BOX REQUEST

If anyone has any SHOE BOXES that they could donate, year 5 would be very grateful for them. We need as many as possible for a forthcoming D.T. project. Thanks in advance.

PARENT COLLECTION AREA

Please refrain from using obscene/foul language when you are waiting to collect your child from school. Other parents and children have overheard some adults swearing on numerous occasions already this term. This is not nice to hear and nor is it appropriate for any children to experience.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING - 9AM-10:15AM

27TH SEPTEMBER 2019

Please come and join us for our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning. Some children will be entertaining you whilst you all enjoy a coffee. All parents, carers, family and friends are welcome.

ALL children are to come to school wearing uniform as usual but are invited to wear an additional green accessory (i.e. ribbon/socks) for a small donation.

Any donations of cakes/biscuits would be gratefully received to be sold at the event for this wonderful cause. If there are any 'Mary Berrys' out there that would like to provide a large cake for us to raffle, it would be most appreciated.

Children will be having their own drink and biscuit during the afternoon to celebrate this amazing charity.

COMPUTER LOG-ONS

Your child/ren should have all received their password and usernames for Mathletics, Rockstars and Purple Mash. Please encourage your child to use these fabulous websites at home.

YEAR 2 LIBRARY VISIT - 15TH OCTOBER

Year 2 are having a visit to the library on Tuesday 15th October straight after lunch at 12.30; if you are able to help with walking, please contact the office.

SPACE CHASE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2019

An award ceremony will be taking place on Saturday 14th September for those children that took part in this summer challenge. Both children and their families are invited to attend the library and collect their certificates and medals.

BLACK POST BOX IN SCHOOL ENTRANCE

Don't forget, to save you having to queue at the school office we now have a secure post box for you to post any permission slips/dinner money/visit payments.

PARKING

Please could we remind parents not to park on the path. This has been a particular problem on Sutton Lane. The path is already extremely narrow due to the over grown hedge; however when cars have mounted the kerb and parked on the path it is impossible to pass.

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SCHOOL LUNCH PRICES/MENU

School lunch prices have increased to £2.40 per day. Next week is menu 2.

SCHOOL SNACK

School snack is 30 pence per item (i.e. drink 30 pence and toast 30 pence). The maximum a child can spend is 60 pence per day. Snack is optional; healthy snacks (fruit, toast, yoghurt bars (no nuts)) can also be brought in from home. Crisps are not considered a healthy snack to bring into school. For drinking in the classroom, children should only have water. Flavoured water/fruit juices can only be brought in for the children to have with their lunch.

SNACK MONEY

Snack money can be sent in with your child, either in an envelope or a named purse/wallet. You can either give your child snack money each day or send in enough for the week. We also do not accept any foreign currencies or old pound coins.

FOOD ALLERGIES

Can we please remind parents that we have children in school with a variety of allergies, including nuts. Please do not send your child in with any nut/cereal bars/Nutella bars etc.

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 approved 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 headteacher. Current government guidelines on holidays during term time are very clear; headteachers are not permitted to authorise holidays 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