



Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

We wanted to let you know our latest response to the current Covid19 virus situation. We have been receiving and following daily advice from the government and from Public Health England. We have already increased our hygiene strategies for pupils and for cleaning at the end of the day. We have taken delivery of additional supplies of soap, sanitiser and towels.

From Monday, we will be asking all pupils to wash their hands thoroughly at the start of the school day as well as before and after lunch and after any outdoor activity. We will be ensuring that children's hands are sanitised before they enter the hall to eat their lunch.

PHE's advice about symptoms is that if pupils or staff present with a new and continuous cough and/or a high temperature, then they should self-isolate for 7 days.

The government may use school closures to slow the spread of the virus and we are prepared for that eventuality in school. We will be contacting every parent in the event of a school closure. A home wifi internet or 4G data facility in your home will enable us to support learning away from school. If you do not have this facility, please call the school office for advice.

In the meantime the school remains open, we are taking every precaution advised to reduce the risks to pupils and to our community and children should attend as normal.

Miss Hough
Head of School

Class Merits

1 Mrs Higgins	Roman for putting all his writing skills together to produce a great piece of work independently
2 Miss O'Nions	Cara for her consistent positive attitude towards learning
3 Mrs Bowbeer	Hazel has been chosen by Miss Prince for being a super role model for others, always working hard and being kind
4 Miss Parton/Mrs Coppock	Aaron for working hard in maths
5 Miss Gerrard	Aimee for her excellent understanding of how exercise benefits our bodies in science this week.
6 Mrs Lester/Mrs Peters	Angelika for her attention to detail in her writing
7 Mrs Phillipson	All of class 7 for their super sharing assembly
8 Mrs Appleton	Ava for working tirelessly to improve her handwriting. Well done Ava, you have achieved your pen licence!
9 Mr Simpson	Freya for working hard to write an excellent story and for earning her pen licence
10 Mrs Marsland	Theo for his determination and sportsmanship especially during the netball competition.
11 Miss Wagstaff	Jaxen for being a supportive and thoughtful member of any team task
12 Mr Adlington	Liam for making an extra special effort with the presentation of his work
13 Miss Platt	Grace for being an outstanding example in all aspects of school!

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK: 93.5%
WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR: 95.1%

Class 1: 95.7% Class 2: 96.3%

Class 3: 94% Class 4: 85.2%

Class 5: 97.4% Class 6: 94.5%

Class 7: 94.5% Class 8: 83.6%

Class 9: 96.1% Class 10: 97.1%

Class 11: 94.6% Class 12: 96.2%

Class 13: 95.2%

National Average is 96.3%

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

Monday 16th March : EYFS trip to Delamere Forest
Monday 16th March : Class 11 to MHS for science
Monday 16th March : 6pm-Y2 SATS meeting and residential meeting for parents
Tuesday 17th March : 6pm - 8pm - Easter Bingo
Wednesday 18th March : 1:15pm - 3pm - Y3/4 sports festival
Wednesday 18th March : 6pm - 8pm - Easter Bingo
Thursday 19th March : 6pm - Year 4 residential assembly
Friday 20th March : World Down Syndrome Day (wear odd socks)
Monday 23rd March : 2pm - Parent forum - all welcome
Tuesday 24th March : Y3 Catalyst Museum
Tuesday 24th March : 1pm - 4pm - Class 3 parents' evening
Wednesday 25th March : 3:30pm - 6pm Class 3 parents' evening
Wednesday 25th March : 3:30pm - 7pm - Year 2 / Class 7 / Y6 parents' evening
Wednesday 25th March : Y5/6 netball tournament
Thursday 26th March : Y4 Catalyst Museum
Thursday 26th March : Reception ear/eye check by school nurses
Thursday 26th March : 2pm - 5pm - Y2 / Y6 /class 7 parents' evening
Thursday 26th March : 6pm - 8pm - Governors meeting - CPS

This week there have been some strange things going on in the classroom. Someone or something was causing a lot of mess! The children found out who the culprit was as the week progressed and really enjoyed hearing about 'The Naughty Bus', a great picture book by Jan and Jerry Oke. We are all excited about going on our own journey by bus on Monday when we visit Delamere Forest.

The children have been learning to express their opinions about what they have read, writing independently, using sentence starters such as 'I liked it when...' and 'I think it would be good if...' Maths has had a 'subtraction' focus, counting passengers on and off the bus and solving problems connected to this. This has also enabled some further work on number bonds and ways of making 10 and 20.

On Monday, the children will need to be dressed as they would for Forest School; waterproofs, warm clothing and wellies. Please don't forget that we have plenty of pairs of wellies in school that the children can borrow if necessary. Lunch will need to be disposable, in a paper bag or carrier bag. We will recycle as much of the rubbish from lunch as we can on site at the forest and dispose of the rest. Back in school we will then be learning about a magic bed which will take them on a fantasy journey into their imagination!

The EYFS team.

Class News

PUBLIC HEALTH ENGLAND - CORONA VIRUS

Where to find the latest information, updates on COVID-19: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>
Guidance for educational settings:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Current advice remains in place: **No school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health England and children should attend as normal.**

The importance of hygiene: Personal hygiene is the most important way we can tackle COVID-19, especially washing hands more, and the catch it, bin it, kill it strategy for those with coughs and sneezes.

YEAR 3 / 4 REQUEST

Year 3/4 are still on the hunt for a dentist or dental nurse who would be willing to come in to talk to the children about keeping their teeth healthy for our science topic. We are also in search of a chef or someone who works in an Italian restaurant for our design and technology topic. If you know of anyone who would be interested in helping us out, please let one of the year 3/4 teachers or the office know. Thank you!

BOOK FAIR 12TH - 19TH MARCH

The Book Fair has now arrived in school and will be with us until the 18th March. They will be set up in the school hall if you would like to visit with your child after school.

YEAR 5 VISIT FROM 'SMOKEBUSTERS'

Yesterday, year 5 had a visit from 'Smokebusters'. They praised the children for their excellent behaviour and sensible questions. Miss Wagstaff and Mrs Marsland were really proud of all the children.

WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY - 21ST MARCH

For this year's 'Gingerbread Sock Biscuit Campaign' in aid of Cheshire Down's Syndrome Support Group, we will again be selling gingerbread biscuits at a cost of 50p. All proceeds will go to the charity. As we usually do, children can come to school wearing odd socks on Friday 20th March. There will be no other snack served that day.

TOMMY THUMBS - EASTER HOLIDAYS

Tommy Thumbs are taking reservations for the Easter holidays. Please complete a booking form to reserve holiday provision day care during the holidays. A deposit is required to secure your child's place. Forms are available in the school office entrance hall. Forms need to be returned by Wednesday 25th March 2020.

Office News

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Next week it will be menu 1. School menus are on the website. If you would like a paper copy, please contact the school office. Can we please remind parents that all children need to have a water bottle in school every day; we are still having a large number of children asking the kitchen for cups as they don't have a bottle in school. If you send your child to school with grapes, can you please ensure they are cut in half lengthways.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND PUPIL PREMIUM

All reception and key stage one children are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals. Some children in both key stage one and key stage two are entitled to Income Related Free School Meals and these need to be claimed for through Cheshire East. It only takes a quick phone call! For any child entitled to Income Related Free School Meals, the school also receives additional funding to help develop the children's academic progress or their social and emotional skills. If your child is in reception or key stage one, and you think that they qualify for Income Related Free School Meals, then please could you either ring 0300 123 5012, apply online at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk or come to the office where we can help you.

DINNER MONEY /VISIT PAYMENTS

Just to remind parents/carers that payments can be paid online via Cheshire East website; please access via the following link:

<https://online.cheshireeast.gov.uk/Cec.SchoolsEPayments.Internet/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2FCec.SchoolsEPayments.Internet%2F>

LOST PROPERTY

Please come to reclaim any lost items. You can purchase laundry pens from school at a cost of £2; it is important that all of your child's belongings are marked with their name including, bags/shoes/coats.

INCONSIDERATE PARKING

We have had reports of a black ford focus (YY52 OYE) parking over a driveway on Dunmore Close; can parents/carers be considerate and respectful of our local residents when collecting their children.

YEAR 4 PARENT MEETING FOR TIMES TABLES

There will be a Year 4 multiplication table check parent meeting with Mrs Appleton and Mr Simpson on Thursday 2nd April at 5:30-6pm. More information to follow.