



Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

I am sure you have all seen in the news this week that Cheshire East has been re-categorised as a 'high risk' authority and additional restrictions have been put in place. This means different households must not mix indoors. The 'Rule of 6' applies to mixed households meeting outdoors.

You will have received a letter this week outlining the safety review that took place recently and changes that we have made or been making across the term. We appreciate that for some of you, these changes impact on your working day, and appreciate the support that you are giving us as we work together to minimise the risks where we can to yourselves, staff and children. We are in an ever changing situation and reviewing our procedures to manage the safety of all is our number 1 priority. We want to work with you and help where we can, and remind you of some key points from this week's letter:

If necessary, all siblings can be dropped at the latest time. Children whose gate has been closed, should be brought to the front office once the child with the latest time has been sent into school. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need individual arrangements considered for collection at the end of the day.

We thank all adults who have responded positively to our recent request to wear a face covering at the gate and at the main entrance; this has helped reassure staff and parents alike.

As increasing numbers of schools are having to send bubbles home following a positive case being confirmed within the school, we continue to make efforts to minimise cross bubble contact and keep ourselves at safe distances. Once again, we will rely on and will be grateful of your support should we have to take these steps, particularly whilst we investigate any close contact that has occurred in school.

It is uncertain times for us all at the moment, and working together as a community can make us a powerful force.

Warmest regards

Mrs S Frater - School Principal

Merits

- 1 Mrs Higgins - Joe for fantastic effort in writing.
- 3 Mrs Giblin - Stephen for perseverance in PE.
- 4 Miss Parton/Mrs Coppock - Roman for sharing his wonderful knowledge of animals with the class & in his writing.
- 5 Mr Adlington - Francesca for an amazing improvement in handwriting.
- 6 Mrs Habesch/Miss Jenkinson - Sam always tries his best and does not give up.
- 7 Miss Gerrard - George for a brilliant attitude to learning this week; confident, focused and resilient!
- 8 Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester - Jessica for consistently working hard and always trying her best.
- 9 Mrs Phillipson - Bayley for his enthusiasm and hard work across the curriculum.
- 10 Mr Simpson - Jack for excellent descriptive writing.
- 11 Mrs Sutton - Molly has a positive attitude towards learning & puts 100% effort into everything she does.
- 12 Miss Platt - Phoebe always works hard, supports others and is generally a delight to have in class.
- 13 Miss Wagstaff - Matthew for giving 100% effort to every task. Well done!

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 21st October - School photographs (individual photos only- please see note below)

Wednesday 21st October - Y5 Bikeability (am)

Wednesday 21st October - Y4 Bikeability (pm)

Thursday 22nd October - Y5 Bikeability (am)

Thursday 22nd October - Y4 Bikeability (pm)

Thursday 22nd October - Year 1 'WOW' day

Friday 23rd October - Y5 Bikeability (am)

Monday 2nd or Friday 13th November - Year 6 Crucial Crew event - Postponed

Week beginning 9th November - Parents' evening

Thursday 19th November - School nurses in school for Influenza nasal sprays

*All dates are currently subject to change due to the current circumstances.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS - Due to the current situation surrounding COVID, we are not able to have family groups and sibling photographs taken. This is due to the new restrictions and the movement of children around school to prevent cross bubble contamination. As a solution to this, Academy Photographers have very kindly said they are able to merge single sibling pictures into one photograph. If this is something you would like them to do for you, can you please email admin@cledford.cheshire.sch.uk in order that this can be arranged. If you do not contact school before 21st October, you will only receive individual photos of your child/children.

This has been a very special week for all of us! The children have thoroughly enjoyed making good use of the sports hall and all the gym equipment. They have done PE every day! Lots of climbing, balancing, and jumping has been going on with great understanding of the safety rules attached to using this equipment. We have been very proud of all the children for their outstanding behaviour and resilience when things got tough or a little scary, they didn't give up! Jumping from a height and landing safely was a big achievement for most children this week! Getting undressed and dressed again was also a challenge for some which they have worked hard to conquer.

I hope they have been telling you about 'eating the rainbow', eating '5 a day' and 'eat a little, eat a lot'? We have done lots of learning about how to keep our bodies healthy and they all enjoyed tasting the rainbow of fruit and vegetables on Thursday.

Next week we will be learning about the story of the Little Red Hen. See you on Monday! The EYFS team.

Class News

YEAR ONE 'WOW' DAY

Don't forget, year 1 are invited to come dressed up for the 1960's 'WOW' day on **Thursday 22nd October**.



They can be dressed in 60's fashion or dress up as a famous person from that era. We will be finding out about the fashion, art, music, dancing, games, toys and books from the 1960s.

PARENTS' EVENING

A letter has been sent via email regarding the arrangements for parents' evening. You will need to log on to school spider via the Cledford website or download the school spider app (details are in the letter) to book an appointment. We will be emailing parents with their username and password on Monday. These should be up to date as they are the details we have used for the school comms gateway.

WHAT TO DO IN THE CASE IF THERE IS A POSITIVE COVID TEST RESULT:

If anyone receives a positive test result, they must self-isolate for 10 days from when symptoms started or from a positive test result, if there are no symptoms. All other members of their household must self-isolate for 14 days. All close contacts of a person who tests positive must self-isolate for 14 days. Household members of close contact DO NOT need to self-isolate, unless symptoms subsequently develop; children not considered close contacts should continue to come to school. Someone who is self-isolating should not bring them to school.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

What is close contact? From Public Health England 28.09.20

a person who has had face-to-face contact (within one metre), with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, including:

- being coughed on
- having a face-to-face conversation within one metre
- having skin-to-skin physical contact, or contact within one metre for one minute or longer without face-to-face contact

a person who has been within 2 metres of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 for more than 15 minutes

a person who has travelled in a small vehicle with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or in a large vehicle or plane near someone who has tested positive for COVID-19

Office News

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please remember the office is closed unless a prior arrangement has been made. This means you will need to ensure your child has everything they need with them for the school day, bags, PE kit, water bottles etc. We have had numerous children not bringing a water bottle to school, please ensure your child has one in school every day.

JO LUCAS - THE SEWING COACH

Jo has previously been into school providing an after school sewing club. As Jo is not currently able to attend schools, she is offering online sewing tutorials. This gives children the opportunity to have a couple of online sewing tutorials, maybe as a Christmas gift or to keep them occupied during the dark evenings after school. If you are interested, please contact Jo, The Sewing Coach on 07786 866570/Email: josorosie@gmail.com

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - POPPY APPEAL

As a school, we have always had a close connection and shown our support for The Royal British Legion charity. This year we are asking parents who wish to make their donations, to do so online via our School Gateway app. We only have one product available this year: the snap band/rulers. Once a donation of £1.00 has been made, these will be distributed on a Friday afternoon. Due to the current restrictions, we will not be able to accommodate any requests for specific colours. Please let your child know this in advance, to avoid any disappointment. Donations will open from after half term; Monday 2nd November.

SCHOOL VACANCIES

Assistant Caretaker/cleaner - 20 hours per week all year Monday - Friday - temporary in the first instance.

Midday Assistant - 6.25 hours per week Monday - Friday - temporary. Please contact the school for more information by phoning 01606 288240 or emailing

finance@cledford.cheshire.sch.uk

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! If your child is in any of these year groups, and you think that they qualify for Income Related Free School Meals, then please could you either ring 0300 123 5012 or apply online at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk.

SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS - YEAR 6

Please remember to apply for your child's place at secondary school via Cheshire East www.cheshireeast.gov.uk by **31st October 2020**. We have sent a reminder email and letter home so you have all the details to hand.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Next week will be menu 2.