

Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers.

We have especially enjoyed our 'WOW' days this week. On Thursday year 6 gave us outfits from the 1940's and on Friday, year 1 wowed us with their 60's outfits. We loved it! Thanks for all your efforts - including the staff!

'Wind in the Willows' proved to be an outstanding performance on Tuesday - both staff and children described it as the best they have seen in years.

Thank you if you joined us for 'Stay and Get Scientific' this week - the latest of our workshops to help parents understand our approach to the curriculum with the children.

On Wednesday our year 6 pupils took part in a sports festival at MHS; you can see a report inside, as well as a report about our boys football team.

Thanks to staff and PTFA for all their help with school discos this week and for Mr Richards for his usual, excellent, DJing skills.

Next week class 10 will be visiting MHS for a science session.

In response to parental request, year 3 parents are invited to 'Stay and Crack Comprehension' on Tuesday - all year 3 children will be dismissed from the hall. St Michael's will be delivering their 'Start' course, also on Tuesday 5.30pm -7.00pm.

Next week your child's progress will be assessed in school - please make sure that pupils achieve full attendance.

Warm regards

Mrs A J Booth - Federation Headteacher

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1 Mrs Higgins 2 Miss O'Nions	Elise for always showing kindness and for being helpful to children and grown ups. Thank you Elise! Dino for his engagement in this week's story	
3 Mrs Bowbeer	Charlie for applying his phonics knowledge in his writing about the 'Tiger Who Came To Tea'	
4 Miss Parton	Olivia for always working hard and completing all tasks given!	
5 Miss Gerrard	Diego for his super problem solving skills in maths this week	
6 Mrs Phillipson	Emily for her amazing progress working with money	
7 Miss Bird	Ella-Rose for participating in everything with an enthusiastic and positive attitude. Keep it up!	
8 Mrs Dunleavy	Edward for gaining confidence and trying his hardest in maths	
9 Mr Simpson	Thomas for always having a mature approach to his learning	
10 Miss Platt	Laura for writing a really moving story this week	

11 Mr Williamson Alannah for some excellent suggestions and questioning when writing about the book 'Farther'

12 Mrs Marsland Chloe for her positive and respectful attitude at MHS sports festival

13 Miss Wagstaff Leah for a writing a very lively and imaginative fairy tale

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

Friday 23rd November: Middlewich Christmas light switch on (all invited)

Monday 26th November: Class 10 to MHS for science

Tuesday 27th November: 5:30pm - St Michael's Start Course (Sports hall)

Wednesday 28th November: Y3 swimming

Monday 3rd December: Class 9 to MHS for Science

Monday 3rd December: Academy photos for previously absent children

Monday 3rd December: 6pm-7pm - PTFA meeting

Wednesday 5th December: 10:30am - EYFS Nativity performance

Wednesday 5th December: Y3 swimming

Thursday 6th December: 2:00pm - EYFS Nativity performance

Thursday 6th December: 6:00pm-7:00pm - Governors meeting - Cledford Friday 7th December: PTFA non-uniform day (donation of chocs/sweets etc)

Monday 10th December: KS1 theatre visit - Stick Men @ The Lowry

Tuesday 11th December: 5:30pm - 7:00pm - Messy church

Tuesday 11th December: Y3 swimming

Wednesday 12th December: 6.00pm - 7.00pm KS1 Nativity performance Wednesday 12th December: 6.00pm - 8.00pm - Governors meeting @ GPNS

Thursday 13th December: 200pm - KS1 Nativity performance Friday 14th December: 4:00m - 6:00pm - PTFA Christmas Fair

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK Class 13 - Miss Wagstaff

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK: 94.9%

WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR: 95.6% Attendance for the whole school year is currently below the national average

Class 1: 90.8% Class 2: 93.8% Class 3: 93.2% Class 4: 93.3%

Class 5: 96.4% Class 6: 94.4%

Class 7: 90.9% Class 8: 96.4% Class 9: 94.4% Class 10: 97.5%

Class 11: 96.8% Class 12: 96.3%

Class 13: 98.1%

EYFS

Another successful week with plenty of challenge and some fantastic achievements! Lots of the children are now able to write their own name, forming letters correctly and using a capital letter accurately. Our target for all children with this important skill is Christmas so please keep working at home to help us achieve it! The Gingerbread Man story has provided lots of learning opportunities. The children received a letter from the Gingerbread Man asking them to try and find him! They worked outside using clues to go on a hunt for the Gingerbread man; solving a puzzle to get their prize- a yummy gingerbread man to eat! They have been learning about time; using a stop watch to 'run as fast as they can' and recording the results. They have been writing about the story independently using their phonic skills. We have also baked gingerbread men. Stay and get Scientific was great fun on Tuesday and on Wednesday we enjoyed bopping the night away at the disco-Phew!

Enjoy the weekend and prepare yourselves for Christmas! We start the Nativity story next week and the children have already began to learn the songs for our performance.

EYFS team

Class News

ALL - ACADEMY PHOTOGRAPHERS

We have a "mop-up" session arranged for Monday 3rd December for all the children that were absent at our first sitting. These should still be received in time for Christmas.

ALL - YEAR 6 SPORTS FESTIVAL

Quotes from the children: "It was a whole new experience with a variety of activities including benchball and handball which we thoroughly enjoyed, making new friends along the way.

ALL - FOOTBALL

The boys football team played very well despite the cold conditions and won their first game 2-0; their second game resulted in a 1-1 draw and they finished 3rd overall. Well done!

YEAR 3 - STAY AND CRACK COMPREHENSION

All year 3 parents are invited to join us after school to learn more about reading in year 3 - please see the letter sent out last week. Children will be dismissed from the hall.

ALL - FEEDING THE HOMELESS AT CHRISTMAS

What kind and generous children we have here at Cledford! Zack (year 4) and Jude (Reception) will be doing a wonderful thing on Friday 7th December at St Michael's church in Liverpool city centre. St Michael's are opening up their doors to Zack, Jude, his mum and a family friend to enable them to feed 200 homeless people. They are funding this event by themselves; it is all Zack's idea using his own money/savings. They have decided to set up a just giving page as the money raised from this will go on to feed the homeless, vulnerable and less fortunate on Christmas Day. Their page is: www.gofundme.com/help-feed-the-homeless-at-xmas

ALL - CHRISTMAS NATIVITIES

Letters will be going out on Monday for reception and year 1 and 2's Christmas performances. Tickets will be allocated on a first come, first served basis and admission will be by TICKET ONLY. All ticket orders will need to be received by 30^{th} November for reception and 5^{th} December for year 1 and 2.

ALL - CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Our Christmas lunch will be held on Tuesday 18th December; there will be no option of sandwiches on the day. If you do not order a lunch for your child, you will need to provide a packed lunch. Letters will be sent out on Monday. Please return to school as soon as possible.

Office News

ALL - HEALTH CARE PLANS

Updates have been sent out today to the parents of children with health care plans. As per the letter, please can you return these as soon as possible so that we have the most up to date information regarding your child. Remember, it is the responsibility of the parent to keep us informed of any changes and to ensure that all medication kept in school, is in date and still relevant for your child. If you think your child needs a health care plan, please call in to the school office.

ALL - CHICKEN POX

We have had a spate of chicken pox in Cledford of late. If your child does have chicken pox, all the blisters need to have dried and scabbed over before they come back to school.

ALL - MENU

Next week is menu 2. Please see the website for details. Copies can be obtained from the school office.

ALL - FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals, please contact the school office for further information or alternatively information can be found on Cheshire east website.

ALL - NEWSLETTER

If you would like to receive a paper copy of our newsletter, please contact the school office; we can also add you to our mailing list if you would like to receive an electronic copy. The newsletter can also be accessed via our school website and there is always a copy displayed on both notice boards in the KS1 and KS2 parent waiting area.

ALL - CHANGES TO COLLECTING YOUR CHILD

Can we remind parents/carers that if your child is to be collected by another adult/family member after school, we will not take instruction from another parent that they are to collect your child; it is the responsibility of the parent/carer (of the child to be collected) to inform school. You can do this by either writing in your child's reading record or informing the office.

ALL - MIDDAY ASSISTANT VACANCY

We have vacancies for a midday assistant. Please contact the office for an application form.