



Cledford Primary and Nursery Academy Newsletter



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Dear parents and carers

This week, our school marked the 80th anniversary of VE Day with a fantastic celebration! Pupils and staff dressed up in brilliant wartime costumes, and our hall was filled with the sounds of classic songs and heartfelt performances during our special sharing assembly. The drama and music truly brought the past to life and reminded us all of the importance of peace and remembrance. A huge thank you to all the parents for your incredible efforts with costumes—your support made the day extra special!

We're also incredibly proud of our Year 5 and 6 football team, who played their hearts out on Thursday and secured second place in our Middlewich Schools' tournament. You all showed fantastic teamwork, determination and sportsmanship—well done!

Finally, we want to send our very best wishes to our Year 6 pupils as they prepare for their SATs next week. You've all worked so hard and shown great commitment to your learning. Remember to stay calm, do your best and be proud of all you've achieved. We believe in you!

What a week of celebration, achievement and community spirit—well done, everyone!

Mr C Adlington
Principal



KS2 SATS – Monday 12th to Thursday 15th May

As you are aware, the year 6 children will be taking their Key Stage 2 SATs from Monday 12th May to Thursday 15th May. To help the children feel calm and ready each day, we are inviting them to come into school from 8.20am through the main entrance, where they will be welcomed into their classroom for a light breakfast snack. This will be available each morning from Monday to Thursday. Children will also be provided with a small snack during the school day to keep them feeling focused and refreshed so there is no need to order school snack this week. (If you have already ordered a snack in advance, this will be refunded). Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school each day.

E-Safety

Please read the attached e-safety document about using WhatsApp safely on your devices.

Water bottles and sun hats

With the warmer weather expected next week, please ensure that children bring their water bottles and sun hats into school each day. Also, sun cream should be applied in the morning before they come in. Thank you.

School dinners

We have a new menu, which begins on Monday. The menu has been sent home via email and is also available to view on our website:

<https://www.cledford.cheshire.sch.uk/page/school-meals-and-snacks/4968>

Merits

N2 Miss Priestman – Ada, for writing her name correctly and independently.

1 Mrs Higgins – The whole of class 1, for such an amazing performance during our VE Day celebrations.

2 Miss Parton – Camo B, for always being focused, attentive and ready to learn. It is a pleasure to teach you, Camo!

3 Mrs Giblin – Ollie S, for much improved independence.

4 Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester – Olivia B, for her unwavering efforts in class. She is an absolute joy to teach.

5 Miss Addis – Layla P, for her superb effort towards her handwriting. We are so proud of you, Layla!

6 Mr Varnom – Emma J, for always writing with care and flair and making her work uniquely her own.

7P Miss Platt – Dougie L, being a wonderful historian. He knows so many facts and is passionate about the subject.

7PM Mrs McLoughlin – Mason G, for displaying a much-improved mature attitude to learning. Well done, Mason – keep it up!

8 Mr Gill – Gracie H, for producing an excellent piece of work about creation across different religions.

9 Mrs Phillipson – Angus E, for a wonderful golden write based on The Explorer.

10 Mrs Marsland – Pippa S, for her infectious enthusiasm for learning and determination to succeed.

11 Miss Wagstaff/Mrs Lester – Savannah T, for excellent contributions in our VE Day reading tasks.

EYFS news

In reception class, the children have been learning more about VE day. They have made medals, flags, bunting, mixed paint colours using red, white and blue and been preparing to perform their song in the assembly on Thursday afternoon. I am sure you will have heard them singing it at home. Maths work has focused on making shapes fit and rotating shapes. The children really enjoyed the game we played using the numicon, trying to find ways to fill a square with numicon of different numbers. Quite a challenge for us all! The forest school session this week was chance for the children to choose a plot, dig a hole and plant some wild flower seeds. We will see what grows!

Pre-School children have been learning more about transport and trains. They have been enjoying the story 'The Runaway Train' and also singing the nursery rhyme 'A Sailor Went to Sea, Sea, Sea'. Thursday was VE day themed - red, white and blue playdough, a tea party, bunting and music. Maths this week has been focused on shape- making shapes fit in spaces (completing puzzles) and matching shapes to find one the same.

In the nursery, the theme is transport again but going on a bus. The children have been singing 'The Wheels on the Bus' and enjoyed learning about the celebrations on VE Day. They decorated bunting and played with lots of red, white and blue resources such as cloud dough and drawing materials. They talked about the union flag and really enjoyed showing their costumes to everyone as they arrived in school.

Many thanks for your support this week, particularly with the VE Day costumes. The children looked amazing! I hope you have seen the photos on our school Facebook page.

The EYFS team

Dates for your diary

Monday 12th May – SATS week for year 6 (breakfast club from 8.20am)

Tuesday 13th May – Year 2 Lion Salt Works visit

Thursday 22nd May – Class, groups and year 6 leavers' photographs

Thursday 22nd May – PTFA movie night

Friday 23rd May – Stay and Get Creative

Friday 23rd May – Year 5 Jodrell Bank visit

Friday 23rd May – Last day of school before half term

Monday 26th May – HALF TERM

Monday 2nd June – School re-opens

Monday 2nd June – Class 5 to Delamere

Tuesday 3rd June – Class 4 to Delamere

Tuesday 3rd June – Reception (class 1) family lunch

Wednesday 4th June – New reception intake meeting 6.00pm

Friday 6th June – EYFS visit to Knowsley Safari Park

Tuesday 10th June – Year 4 - 6 reading breakfast (8.30am)

Friday 13th June – New reception intake visit

Thursday 19th June – Year 6 visit to Weaver Museum

Friday 20th June – New reception intake visit

Wednesday 16th July – Year 6 Cledford leavers' lunch and assembly

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Class 8 (Mr Gill) = 98.9%

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK = 94.8%

WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR = 95.5%

Class 1 = 92.9%

Class 7P = 96.4%

Class 2 = 94.1%

Class 7M = 96.0%

Class 3 = 94.4%

Class 8 = 98.9%

Class 4 = 86.9%

Class 9 = 86.9%

Class 5 = 98.2%

Class 10 = 94.9%

Class 6 = 97.2%

Class 11 = 91.7%

