



# Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

It has been another busy week in school. Last week we celebrated British Science Festival Day and the theme was 'Innovations and Innovators.' The school was alive with the sounds of excited children as they took part in their investigations and created wonderful inventions.

This week, the whole school engaged in a community 'Wellbeing Wednesday' where schools across the Middlewich cluster took time out to participate in activities that promote wellbeing. The delight on year 1's faces as they played with balloons and danced amongst bubbles was a pleasure to see; year 3 and 4 had a very calm start to the day as they followed a yoga routine and year 2 were busy decorating biscuits and bags to take them home in. These were just a few of the activities which took place throughout the day!

You will have received a 'Knowledge Organiser' via email today. This is a new initiative which will replace the curriculum brochures. This is a single sheet of paper that lists the essential knowledge that pupils should know by the end of this half term. The focus is on children acquiring and retaining key facts – sometimes referred to as 'sticky knowledge.' These organisers provide children, parents and carers with an insight into the knowledge that needs to be remembered and may provide a useful starting point to strike up a discussion with your child about what they have learned at school. Developing life skills will continue to have a high priority in our bespoke curriculum, alongside the Cledford key values of being responsible, resilient and respectful. I would welcome your views on this new initiative.

Warmest regards,

Miss A. Platt

Acting Principal

## Class Merits

- 1 Miss Parton/Mrs Coppock – Sophia H, for always being ready to learn! Keep it up Sophia!**
- 2 Mrs Higgins – Rae P, for her enthusiasm, enjoyment and interest in EVERYTHING we do!**
- 3 Mrs Giblin – Mason G, for amazing letter formation.**
- 4 Mr Adlington – Esmay I, for always trying her best.**
- 5 Mrs Buchan – Lyla B, for her excellent effort in RE lessons when learning about Shabbat.**
- 6 Mrs Tomkins/Mrs Appleton – Oliver D, for an excellent piece of ancient Egyptian non-fiction writing.**
- 7 Mrs Marsland – Henry E, for his determination this week, especially in maths.**
- 8 Mr Varnom – Rylee M, for an excellent description of the Bloodbottler.**
- 9 Mrs Dunleavy/Mr Simpson- Sean C, for settling into Cledford really well.**
- 10 Miss Wagstaff – Eli M, for demonstrating the Cledford three Rs at all times. What a star!**
- 11 Miss Platt – Andrei V, for showing a real interest in the class text 'Viking Boy.'**

## EYFS news

The children have been embarking on 'new adventures' this week. They have started bringing home reading books, taken part in PE, enjoyed a fantastic Forest School session where they all made a 'nature bracelet' and got chance to have their own adventure by exploring the area on their own. At lunchtime, the children are now playing on the 'big' playground with some of the older children. We had our first fire drill- an adventure in itself - and they were amazing at following instructions and doing exactly what they were supposed to do. We were very proud of them.

They have been learning all about number 4 in maths this week and really enjoyed listening to the story of Pete and the Cat and his groovy buttons- see the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JrFDPwNDMY>

Next week the adventures will take us on the high seas as the children learn more about pirates. We will be learning about number 5 and taking a treasure map to Forest School in the hope that we might find some treasure!

Have a lovely weekend,

The EYFS team

## Office and Class news

### WILDFLOWERS IN MIDDLEWICH

Middlewich Flowering Meadows group and others from our town are looking to add some wild flower areas within Middlewich to help bees, butterflies and the general aesthetics of the town. We are hoping to get the children involved from our local schools and have Fountain Fields park earmarked for preparation in February 2022, plus a couple of other areas that are currently just grass. We do, however, have to provide our own seeds. Please can we ask that parents/carers complete a short application form on the seed website below for a chance of being donated 300 seed balls to school. Many thanks.

The link is <https://seedball.co.uk/spring-school-giveaway-2021/>

### MORRISONS "IT'S GOOD TO GROW"

We would like to take part in the free Morrisons "It's good to grow" scheme. Our aim will be to provide the children with gardening equipment and wildlife homes and habitats to enhance the fantastic outdoor learning already taking place in school. Please download the Morrisons app, sign or register to My Morrisons and select Cledford Primary School. You then just need to scan the app at the checkout or when you use online shopping. For every £10 spent you will receive a 'grow token' to donate to the school.

Please follow the link below for more information

<https://itsgoodtogrow.co.uk/>

A huge thank you from all the children in anticipation of your support!

### FLU E-CONSENT FORM

An e-consent form was emailed home earlier this week from our school nursing team. Please complete this if you would like your child to receive the flu nasal spray in school on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

### MIDDLEWICH HIGH – WELCOME TOUR

There will be an opportunity to meet the Head, our student leaders and have a tour of the school on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September. There are sessions available at either 6pm or 7pm, to book your place please email [schoolvisits@mhs.school](mailto:schoolvisits@mhs.school).

### SCHOOL GATEWAY

An email has been sent home this Thursday with instructions of how to download the School Gateway app. Could you please ensure that both parents/carers have done this? Otherwise you might miss out on vital communications from school, it is also the only way to pay for school visits, snacks and school dinners.

Schoolgateway

### SNACK ORDERING

If your child is absent from school and a snack has been pre-ordered, please remember to let the office know when you report your child's absence, so it can be removed from the kitchen's order and you can get refunded.

### SCHOOL DINNERS

Next week will be **menu 1**.

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October there will be a favourite lunch day and Mrs Croft will be cooking her delicious pizza. There is no need to pre-order this dinner.

## Dates for your diary

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Year 1 visit to Weaver Hall

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Favourite lunch day – yummy pizza!

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 visit Crucial Crew

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October – School photographs

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – School closes for half term

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Inset day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – School re-opens

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Nursing team in school – Flu nasal sprays (Rec-Y6)