



Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

Well, I can't quite believe that it is the end of November already. The weeks certainly seem to be flying by and December is just around the corner. The teachers have started to plan their nativity, Mrs Croft has been discussing Christmas dinner arrangements and I heard the after-school choir practising for their performance at the church.

This week, some year 3 and 4 have visited Middlewich Library. One of the librarians read a story to the children and then explained how the library worked. The children were then given time to choose a book to read, some took them out with their own library card. The children were amazed to hear that they could borrow up to 20 books for free. If you, or your child, wishes to join the library then all you have to do is to take a form of identification with your name and address to the library and they will sign you up.

Next week, on Monday and Tuesday, some of our year 5s will be taking part in Level 2 'Bikeability' training where they will be taught about road safety whilst riding their bicycles. Pupils need to bring their helmets and suitable clothing to school, please, for this exciting and important training.

Enjoy your weekend.

Kind regards,
Alison Platt
(Acting Principal)

Class Merits

- 1 Miss Parton/Mrs Coppock – Cara D, for brilliant segmenting and blending during letters and sounds.**
- 2 Mrs Higgins – Joshua B, for his interest and enthusiasm in our work about the Gingerbread Man.**
- 3 Mrs Giblin – Thomas M, for completing all his rainbow challenges.**
- 4 Mr Adlington – Olivia W, for trying hard in all she does.**
- 5 Mrs Buchan – Jack H, for his incredible times table skills.**
- 6 Mrs Tomkins/Mrs Appleton – Ethan B, for growing in confidence with his writing. Keep it up, Ethan!**
- 7 Mrs Marsland – Johnny C, for his enthusiasm during our class library visit.**
- 8 Mrs Phillipson – Sophia R, for showing resilience and determination with everything she does. She has particularly impressed me with her maths progress this term.**
- 9 Mrs Dunleavy/Mr Simpson – Ryan D, for working incredibly hard in maths throughout the week and always contributing to lessons.**
- 10 Miss Wagstaff – Maisy S, for an excellent geography quiz in computing.**
- 11 Miss Platt – Alyssia M, for always working hard, being cheerful and making the right choices: a pleasure to teach!**

EYFS News

The children have loved the story of the Gingerbread Man! I hope they have been able to re-tell the story to you at home. The children have been able to write the famous speech from their story - "Run, run as fast as you can" by using all their phonics skills and they have used gingerbread men in maths work to add and subtract buttons to his tummy. We had a great session in Forest School using clues left by the elusive tasty treat (!) to track him down. We found him hiding in his gingerbread house. He had a treat for every child and there were more treats back in the classroom from the little old woman who had baked a gingerbread man for everyone to take home. The children have been running as fast as they can in the outdoor classroom and seeing how long it takes them to get from one place to another by timing each other. They have enjoyed using the old woman's kitchen role play area to bake and as Mrs Thompson said, "it has been a bit like the Great British Bake Off, " as they have been so keen to bake and create tasty treats. We start Christmas in earnest next week and will be rehearsing hard for the Nativity play.

Enjoy the weekend!
The EYFS team

Office and Class News

SELF ISOLATION OF PUPILS

In October 2021, Cheshire East Public Health advised:

'Pupils who are household contacts are advised to stay at home for 5 days, limit social contact and get a PCR test before coming back to school.'

This week, Cheshire East have again reviewed the current measures with Public Health. The decision at this stage is to retain the current measures.

This means that if a member of your household test positive on a PCR test, pupils must stay at home for 5 days and get a negative PCR result before they return.

KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

This year, we feel we can celebrate the festive season by putting on a small-scale Christmas performance by the children in Reception, year 1 and year 2 for a small audience. Details of these performances and how to request tickets was emailed home on Monday. The dates can be found below.

CHILDREN IN NEED

We raised £105.00 in total for Children in Need. Thank you to everyone who donated.

SCHOOL ABSENCES

Please ensure you contact school before 9am, leaving a message on our absence line with your child's name, class and reason for their absence **each day**.

If they are unwell we need to know what symptoms they have. Please remember that if your child has had sickness or diarrhoea they will need to stay off school for 48 hours from the last bout of illness.

PARENTING COURSES

Please see the attached flyer for more information about parenting courses which are being held locally.

If you would like to book a place, please click on the link below:

<https://www.cheshireautism.org.uk/ccg-parent-training/>

BOARD GAMES AND READING BOOKS

If you have any board games that you no longer use, suitable for children in KS2, please bring them into school. We are very short of games for wet play time in the older classes. We would also kindly welcome any donations of reading books that your children may have grown out of to help replenish our class libraries.

WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school each day.

SCHOOL DINNERS

Next week we will be on the **WEEK 1** menu

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 29th November – Year 3 & 4 Library visit

Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th November – Bikeability Level 2 (Year 5)

Thursday 2nd December – Year 3 & 4 Ancient Egyptians workshop

Monday 6th December – Bikeability Level 1 (Year 4)

Tuesday 7th December – Christmas Performance (EYFS) 10am and 2pm

Wednesday 8th December – Christmas Performance (Year 2) 10am and 2pm

Friday 10th December – Christmas Performance (Year 1) 10am and 2pm

Friday 10th December – Year 2 visit to Manchester Airport

Tuesday 14th December – EYFS/KS1 Christmas dinner/ party & Christmas jumper day

Wednesday 15th December – KS2 Christmas dinner/party & Christmas jumper day

Friday 17th December – School closes for Christmas holiday

Tuesday 4th January 2022 – Inset day

Wednesday 5th January 2022 – School reopens