



# Cledford Primary and Nursery Academy Newsletter



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Dear Parents and carers,

What an exciting and memorable week it has been at Cledford! On Tuesday and Thursday, our pupils were lucky enough to visit The New Vic Theatre in Newcastle-under-Lyme to see their spectacular production of *The Little Mermaid*. What a show it was! The children were completely captivated by the breath taking acrobatics, stunning silk work and a phenomenal live band. Since returning to school, our pupils have been working incredibly hard to create artwork for our Theatre Gallery, helping us to preserve the memory of such a wonderful performance. It has been a joy to see the creativity and enthusiasm inspired by the visit reflected across the school.

We were also delighted with the success of our first Stay and Play session this week for parents and carers with children aged under 5. It was lovely to welcome families into school. Further information about upcoming sessions can be found opposite.

Next week, we are pleased to be launching our Henry Workshops for parents of pre-school aged children. These sessions will offer practical hints and tips, guidance around routines and behaviour, and wider family support in a relaxed and welcoming environment. Please get in touch if you'd like to attend.

Have a great weekend.

Mr C Adlington

## Stay and Play – Wednesdays 9.30am – 10.45am

Cheshire East hosted the first stay and play session at our pre-school this week for children aged 0-4yrs. The session was a huge success, and it would be great to see even more families there next week! There is no need to book onto the session and no charge. Please see the attached flyer for more information.



## School office opening hours

A polite reminder that the school office does not open until 8.30am. If you call or visit the office before this time there may not be anyone available to answer your query. You can leave a voicemail, send an email or an Arbor message before this time. Thank you.

## Online safety

Please see the attached information about keeping children safe online on the app store.

## Snack and dinner money

If you pay for your child's snack and dinners please ensure that there is a credit on your child's meal account on Arbor. The cost of a dinner is £2.70 per day (£2.20 for nursery/pre-school). If you think you could be entitled to income related free school meals, please visit the Cheshire East website or contact them on

Tel: 0300 123 5012.

[https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free\\_school\\_meals.aspx](https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free_school_meals.aspx)

Next week, we will be on week 2 of our lunch menu.

## Merits

- 2 Mrs Higgins – Warren B, for his positive and confident approach to learning. Well done; keep it up!
- 3 Miss Parton – Michael P, for persevering to do up his zip and being so proud when he did it! Well done, Michael!
- 4 Mrs Giblin – Elizabeth B, for amazing writing about The Little Mermaid.
- 5 Mr Varnom – Harvey W, for his fantastic work using money to confidently count in pounds and pence. Keep up the great work!
- 6 Miss Wagstaff – Holly K, for working hard to improve her handwriting and finger space sizing. Keep it up, Holly!
- 7 Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester – Sophie S, for her determination and perseverance in everything that she does.
- 8 Miss Platt – Asher B, for being the only child to get full marks on his maths test! Well done!
- 9 Mrs Phillipson – Rosie P, for always taking pride in her work and ensuring it is beautifully presented.
- 10 Mrs Lester/Mrs Marsland – Lucas R, for always doing the right thing. You are always respectful, always well mannered, always working hard and being your best!
- 11 Mr Gill – Benny R, for improved focus and application this week across all subject areas. Keep it up, Benny!
- 12 Mrs McLoughlin – Tommy P, for a fantastic attitude to learning so far this half term. Be proud of what you can and are achieving! Keep it up!

## EYFS News

The reception children have had a very exciting week! They all enjoyed the visit to the theatre on Tuesday to watch a truly magical performance of *The Little Mermaid* and their behaviour was a credit to the school (and you!). I hope they have told you all about the amazing acrobatic mermaids and singing red coral!

The children in pre-school have been learning some new vocabulary this week- 'nocturnal' and 'diurnal' and have enjoyed a story called 'The rabbit, the dark and the biscuit tin'. Can they talk to you about animals which are nocturnal? Can they explain what diurnal means? They have also enjoyed lots of maths activities based on subitising (seeing small group totals without needing to say numbers out loud) They have been saying the phrase "No need to count, say the amount" with numbers to 3.

Nursery children have been learning about the colour black this week, listening to the story 'Room on the Broom' and singing a rhyme about snowflakes.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend keep warm!

Mrs Higgins and the EYFS team.



## Dates for your Diary

- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February (date TBC) – year 6 parents' evening
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Last day at school before half term
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – School re-opens
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Year 5 family lunch (all of year 5)
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day including stay and read
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March – Class 8 (Miss Platt) family lunch
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Class 9 (Mrs Phillipson) family lunch
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Non-uniform day for Easter bingo
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – PTFA Easter bingo
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – PTFA Easter bingo
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Reception visit to Delamere forest
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Last day at school before Easter holidays
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – School re-opens
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Year 2 residential parent meeting
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – School closed – Bank holiday
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May – School re-opens
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May – SATs week (year 6 pupils)
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Academy photographers – Class group and leavers photographs.

## Attendance

### CLASS OF THE WEEK

Class 12 (Mrs McLoughlin) = 97.8%

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK = 94.2%

WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR = 92.9%

Class 3 = 94.3%

Class 9 = 96.3%

Class 4 = 84.0%

Class 10 = 93.6%

Class 5 = 98.0%

Class 11 = 88.5%

Class 6 = 90.2%

Class 12 = 97.8%

Class 7 = 97.1%

Class 8 = 96.3%

