



# Cledford Primary and Nursery Academy

## Newsletter



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Dear parents and carers,

It has been another positive and busy week at Cledford, with lots to celebrate both in school and across our wider community. We are delighted to report the continued success of week two of our Stay and Play sessions for local families with children aged 0-4. It has been lovely to welcome new and familiar faces into school and to see children and adults enjoying time together in such a relaxed and supportive environment. These sessions are proving to be a wonderful way to build connections with families in our community, and we look forward to welcoming even more families in the coming weeks.

You may also have seen our new art display shared on Facebook, created by pupils to commemorate our recent visit to the theatre to see *The Little Mermaid*. The children have worked incredibly hard and the display beautifully captures the colour, excitement and magic of the performance. It has been a pleasure to see their creativity brought to life.

Looking ahead, the weather forecast for the next 10 days looks very changeable. Please ensure that children have a coat in school every day. We believe strongly in the importance of outdoor play, and whenever it is safe to do so, children will go outside for break and lunchtime—even if it is raining a little. Being prepared helps ensure everyone can enjoy fresh air and playtime comfortably.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Have a great weekend  
Mr C Adlington

### Merits

2 Mrs Higgins – Albert B, for a positive start at pre-school.

3 Miss Parton – Ariyanna M, for ALWAYS being ready and enthusiastic to learn!

4 Mrs Giblin – Sophia R, for amazing work in phonics this week!

5 Mr Varnom – Lillyanna P, for working extremely well in science this week when we tested the properties of different materials. Great team work, great listening and fantastic scientific skills. You are a superstar!

6 Miss Wagstaff – Killian S, for improving his handwriting.

7 Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester – Freya C, for her determination in class. You are giving 110% in all areas of learning, well done.

8 Miss Platt – Airon W, for simply being a superstar every minute of every day.

9 Mrs Phillipson – Connie L, for her resilience and determination in everything she does!

10 Mrs Lester/Mrs Marsland – Lilliana P, for showing excellent knowledge and skills in computing. You were amazing and so good at helping others!

11 Mr Gill – Patrick P, for always working to his maximum ability, taking responsibility for his learning and being a good role model.

12 Mrs McLoughlin – Kieran T, for demonstrating, through his practice SATs results, how much progress he is making across reading, SPAG and maths. You should be so proud of yourself!

### Henry Parent Workshops (for parents of children aged 0-5)

In partnership with Cheshire East Family Hubs we are pleased to be hosting a **FREE four-week HENRY programme of workshops** here at school. Thousands of families across the UK have already benefited from HENRY's practical, supportive approach to giving babies and young children the healthiest possible start in life. One parent described it simply: *"This programme changed my life."*

All sessions run from **1:30-3:00pm at Cledford**:

- **Session 2:** 26th January – *Family Guidelines and Choices*
- **Session 3:** 2nd February – *Let's Get Active*
- **Session 4:** 9th February – *Understanding Children's Behaviour*

If you would like to attend, please complete the [online registration form](#), or contact your local Family Hub on **01270 371240** or **01270 371250**.

### SENDCO Drop In

The SENDco drop in with Mr Simpson will be on Wednesday morning instead of Tuesday morning next week.

### School lunches

Next week, we will be on week 1 of our lunch menu.

Please ensure that school lunches are paid for in advance via Arbor unless your child is entitled to universal or income related free school meals. Thank you.

### EYFS News

Reception children had a magical week! A tiny door appeared in the classroom on Monday and the children were full of ideas about where it had come from and who was using it. It turned out that elves from the story 'The Elves and the Shoemaker' were the visitors using the little door and the children's imagination has gone wild with creative activities and independent writing as they made gifts and wrote letters to leave at the door for the elves to collect!

Pre School children have enjoyed the story 'Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell. They have continued work on nocturnal and diurnal animals and events, been singing the nursery rhyme 'Incey Wincey Spider' during the rhyme time sessions and learning new phonemes and how to say them correctly by placing tongue and teeth in the right position; not easy when you are 3 and 4!

Nursery children have been reading 'Elmer', learning about the colour grey and extending their previous learning about winter through activities and songs.

Enjoy the weekend. See you next week.

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 8 (Miss Platt) = 98.9%**

**WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK = 94.5%**

**WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR = 95.2%**

**Class 3 = 95.5%**

**Class 9 = 94.1%**

**Class 4 = 91.4%**

**Class 10 = 93.6%**

**Class 5 = 92.9%**

**Class 11 = 90.0%**

**Class 6 = 88.2%**

**Class 12 = 96.7%**

**Class 7 = 95.1%**

**Class 8 = 98.9%**

