



# Cledford Primary and Nursery Academy Newsletter



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Dear parents and carers,

During next week we will focus on online safety, an area that is increasingly important for our children and families. Staff recently attended internet safety training delivered by Cheshire Police, which provided valuable updates on current online risks and how schools can continue to support children in staying safe in the digital world.

Tuesday is National Safer Internet Day, a timely reminder for us all to pause and reflect on how children use the internet. Research shows that many primary-aged children regularly access the internet for gaming, videos and social interaction and a significant number do so independently. While the online world offers many positives, it also brings risks, which is why open conversations at home are so important. We strongly encourage parents and carers to talk regularly with children about staying safe online. Useful websites for guidance and advice include:

- [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)
- [www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety)
- [www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org)

Alongside this important focus, we have also enjoyed celebrating NSPCC Number Day this week. What a fantastic effort from everyone! The creativity on display has been brilliant and there has certainly been no shortage of interesting fruit and vegetables brought into school as part of the challenges set by Mr Gill. It has been wonderful to see maths celebrated in such a fun and engaging way, while also supporting an important cause. Have a great weekend.

Mr C Adlington

## Punctuality/lateness

The school gates open at 8:40am. All children should arrive punctually at this time. If your child arrives to school after the gate is closed, they must be accompanied by an adult to the school office to be signed in.



Pupils who are consistently late are disrupting not only their own education but also that of other children in their class. Where persistent lateness gives cause for concern, further action may be taken. **Cheshire East Council can issue a fixed penalty notice if a child is late, after the registers close, for 10 sessions or more over two consecutive half terms.**

Every second counts. 5 minutes late each day equates to three whole days of lost education each year.

## Year 5 family lunch – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February

An email has been sent out this week with information about our year 5 family lunch! Please make any payments via Arbor and complete the order form on the email if you would like to attend!

## School lunches

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

## Merits

- 2 Mrs Higgins – Esmac C, for super effort with her writing.
- 3 Miss Parton – Ariyanna M, for finding lots of ways to make the numbers 6,7 and 8. Well done, Ariyanna!
- 4 Mrs Giblin – Savannah W, for growing confidence in maths.
- 5 Mr Varnom – Harley M, for being very attentive in English this week and using some powerful adjectives. Well done!
- 6 Miss Wagstaff – Reggie F, for a super piece of art in the style of Hokusai.
- 7 Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester – Riley G, for being brave, resilient and having lots of fun at swimming. What a star!
- 8 Miss Platt – Sophia-Lily F, for working really hard in all lessons. Her maths is really improving as a result!
- 9 Mrs Phillipson – Millie D, for settling into Cledford beautifully and already demonstrating the Cledford 3 R's.
- 10 Mrs Lester/Mrs Marsland – Amelia W, for her excellent range of vocabulary and punctuation when explaining how the heart works. You worked incredibly hard on this – well done!
- 11 Mr Gill – Olivia W, for a dedicated effort to improve her presentation, producing excellent work across all subject areas. Well done!
- 12 Mrs McLoughlin – Cara O, for always being respectful and safe. What an amazing role model!

## EYFS News

Another busy week! Reception children have been learning the story of Mrs Armitage on Wheels, another link to the topic of 'Journeys'. The children are very excited about 'Wild about Wheels' day and NSPCC number day today! Mrs Armitage has a bike loaded with accessories so the children have enjoyed using their imagination to write about their dream bike and used descriptive language to write about their own bike at home.

Pre School children have enjoyed hearing the story of 'Farmer Duck'. They enjoyed joining in with the repeated phrases in the story and matching animal sounds to the various animals on the farm. Maths work has focused on mapping and direction with a big focus on measuring on Friday for Number Day by listening to the story of 'Jim and Beanstalk' and lots of measuring and counting activities around the indoor and outdoor classroom.

Nursery children have been reading the story 'Titch' all week as an introduction to early measuring skills. They enjoyed the forest school session alongside pre school where they had to find the eggs to help Farmer Duck with his farm jobs. They matched colours and counted how many eggs of each colour they had found. They used the maths vocabulary of 'more' 'fewer' and 'equal'.

Enjoy the weekend. See you on Monday for the final week before half term. Mrs Higgins and the EYFS team

## Dates for your Diary

- 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
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Easter service at church
- 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 Photos (class groups & leavers individuals)
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Stay and get Creative (9.00am – 9.45am)

## Attendance

### CLASS OF THE WEEK

**Class 9 (Mrs Phillipson) and Class 5 (Mr Varnom) = 97.5%**  
**WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK = 96.1%**  
**WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR = 95.4%**

- Class 3 = 97.2%      Class 9 = 97.5%
- Class 4 = 96.6%      Class 10 = 97.0%
- Class 5 = 97.5%      Class 11 = 93.5%
- Class 6 = 95.4%      Class 12 = 96.3%
- Class 7 = 96.8%
- Class 8 = 90.3%

