



Cledford Primary and Nursery Academy Newsletter



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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! It has been a pleasure to see the children return after the half-term break refreshed, positive and ready to learn. Classrooms have quickly settled back into routine, and there is already a strong sense of focus and purpose across the school.

This week, I would like to share a staffing update. We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Cope, who is leaving Cledford to begin an exciting new career beyond education. Mrs Cope has been a valued member of our team, and we thank her sincerely for her contribution to our school community. I'm sure you will join me in wishing her every success and happiness in her new venture.

Due to the growing popularity and increasing numbers in our Pre-School and Reception classes, we are delighted to share that we have successfully recruited an additional teacher to support our Early Years provision. Please join me in warmly welcoming Miss Smailes, who will be working alongside Miss Parton and Mrs Higgins in Reception. I am confident she will be a wonderful asset to our teaching team.

It has also been lovely to see so many Year 6 parents attending the final Parents' Evenings this week. The proud smiles as families left were a joy to see.

We are now looking forward to World Book Day next week—and, of course, the fantastic costumes that will come with it!
Have a great weekend.

Mr C Adlington

World Book Day (Thursday 5th March)

As you know, we love books at Cledford so we're all getting excited about World Book Day next Thursday!

- Parents/carers are invited to a Stay and Read session in their children's classrooms between 9 and 9.45am.
- Children are encouraged to come to school wearing a book-inspired costume. They don't have to bring the book (unless they wish) but must be prepared to talk about their costume inspiration! Simple costume ideas were sent home before half term and both Northwich and Winsford libraries are offering a free book costume swap for children so that everyone can take part.
- The book fair will be in the school hall after school from 3.15-3.45pm on Wednesday 4th March until Tuesday 10th March. Cashless payment only, please.
- All children will be given a £1 book token. It may be used as payment towards a book at our book fair or in other book shops nationally.

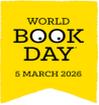
We look forward to celebrating the magic of reading with you all next week!

SEND drop in

The SENDco drop in will be on Wednesday 18th March instead of Tuesday 17th March.

School lunches

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



Merits

2 Mrs Higgins – Olivia L, for her super number work. Olivia has been showing that she has excellent subitising skills this week!

3 Miss Parton – Isla D, for super work in letters and sounds! Keep it up, Isla!

4 Mrs Giblin – Brody J, for writing a super sentence about who he would like to meet on our friendship bench!

5 Mr Varnom – Bobby T, for excellent work in maths this week, demonstrating a strong knowledge of the times tables and the related division facts. Well done!

6 Miss Wagstaff – Alexis H, for being a wonderful role model for everyone. Keep up the amazing work, Alexis!

7 Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester – Rutva, for being really patient and careful when making model teeth out of Play-Doh. Well done!

8 Miss Platt – Isabella S, for always giving 100% to everything she does! Her workbooks are a dream to mark too!

9 Mrs Phillipson – Aurora R, for taking pride in all of her work.

10 Mrs Lester/Mrs Marsland – Dougie L, for his excellent explanations and sharing of ideas in class discussions. Keep it up!

11 Mr Gill – Isla-Mai B, for taking responsibility for her learning and always putting in maximum effort. She has been a superstar this week. Well done, Isla-Mai!

12 Mrs McLoughlin – Avery B, for his fantastic attitude to learning and demonstrating his secure knowledge manipulating numbers this week. You are a great prefect and role-model to your peers.

EYFS News

Welcome back! As usual we have got straight back into the swing of things, the children all seem raring to go. They have all enjoyed a well deserved rest!

Reception children have been enjoying a story called 'The Journey' - the tale of a boat that went on a journey through the countryside and finally ended up at the coast. The story finishes with a wonderful surprise. Can the children remember what it is?

Pre school children have been listening to the story of 'The Ugly Duckling' and learning new vocabulary such as cygnet and gosling. They have been working on subitising securely using dice, dot plates and numicon shapes. They enjoyed working with a partner to build a nest big enough to sit inside forest school.

Nursery children have been singing '5 Little Ducks' and enjoyed building one huge nest at forest school which was big enough for all of them to sit inside! They have been reading a lovely story called 'Ruby Flew Too' and have been getting creative with the colour yellow. Spring has felt like it is in the air at times this week and we can't wait to see it all around us!

The children in pre school and nursery have begun to learn more about Spring and new life in hopeful preparation...

Please don't forget **World Book Day** next Thursday- the children will need to bring a favourite book to school and dress as a character from that book. School will be open for 'Stay and get reading' from 9-9.45am. Weather permitting, you and your child should be able to take part in an outside treasure hunt as well as book related activities in the classroom.

Enjoy the weekend.

Mrs Higgins and the EYFS team

Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 5th March – World Book Day including stay and read
- Tuesday 10th March – Class 8 (Miss Platt) family lunch
- Wednesday 11th March – Class 9 (Mrs Phillipson) family lunch
- Thursday 12th March – Class 7 (Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester) family lunch
- Friday 20th March – Non-uniform day for Easter bingo
- Wednesday 25th March – PTFA Easter bingo
- Thursday 26th March – PTFA Easter bingo
- Thursday 26th March – Church service at St Michael and All Angels
- Friday 27th March – Reception visit to Delamere forest
- Friday 27th March – Last day at school before Easter holidays**
- Monday 13th April – School re-opens**
- Wednesday 29th April – Year 2 residential parent meeting
- Monday 4th May – School closed – Bank holiday**
- Tuesday 5th May – School re-opens**
- Monday 11th May – Thursday 14th May – SATs week (year 6 pupils)
- Thursday 21st May – Academy Photos (class groups & leavers individuals)
- Friday 22nd May – Stay and get Creative (9.00am – 9.45am)
- Friday 22nd May – Last day at school before half term**
- Monday 1st June – First day back at school after half term**

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Class 8 (Miss Platt) = 97.1%

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK = 94.5%

WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR = 95.4%

Class 3 = 95.0%

Class 9 = 92.8%

Class 4 = 94.9%

Class 10 = 92.7%

Class 5 = 91.4%

Class 11 = 92.2%

Class 6 = 96.1%

Class 12 = 91.9%

Class 7 = 95.6%

Class 8 = 97.1%

