



# Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The term has finally drawn to a close and this week has definitely been the most festive of the season so far. This week our kitchen team have outdone themselves as they have made and served over 300 Christmas dinners to pupils and staff. Not only that, they had an unannounced visit from the Environmental Health Officer who gave them a 'Food Hygiene Rating' of 5 – the highest possible rating. We've also had Christmas parties, caroling before school and of course a visit to church for a festive celebration.

On a different note, I'm sure you are all aware of the tragic news regarding the children in Solihull this week. I have attached some 'Winter Water Safety' advice that we have received from the NHS, Fire and Rescue Service and the Safeguarding Team at Cheshire East. The advice and guidance is very useful and explains what to do should you, your child or someone you are with falls into icy water. As we have so many areas of water surrounding our town, I urge you to share this guidance with your children at an age appropriate level.

Thank you to everyone for showing such support to our school community. From all of us here at Cledford, we wish you a very happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

Mr Adlington  
Principal



## Merits

- 1 Miss Parton/Mrs Coppock – Hannah P, for always making all of her teachers smile!
- 2 Mrs Higgins – Freddie F, for being a kind and helpful friend.
- 3 Mrs Phillipson – Layla O, for being an excellent role model.
- 4 Mrs Giblin – whole of class 4, for an excellent walk to church displaying the Cledford values.
- 5 Mr Varnon – Mason G, for a great improvement in his reading and phonics.
- 6 Miss Addis – Ellie F, for gaining confidence in her ability and for participating in class discussions.
- 7 Miss Platt – Olivia W, for her confident presentation on volcanoes.
- 8 Miss Gee – Grace H, for a great effort and incredible resilience throughout the Autumn term in all her subjects.
- 9 Mrs Appleton/Mrs Peters – Cameron A, for his attention to detail during art; he has produced artwork of a very high standard!
- 10 Mr Gill – Lilly-Rose M, for always being helpful and hardworking in class. She gives 100% in all lessons and is a great role model to others.
- 11 Mrs Marsland – Harry J, for his outstanding creativity and enthusiasm when creating his pop-up books in DT.
- 12 Miss Wagstaff - Jessica H, for always being kind and helpful to everyone.

## EYFS News

We made it! The children (and staff!) have staggered - coughing and spluttering - to the end of term. What a great job they have done; they have worked incredibly hard and are definitely ready for a rest. They have made so much progress so far this year that all the staff are excited to see what the next term will bring!

Whilst we look forward to having a chance to recover to full health and spend some time with family and friends, we also have had to say goodbye to Mrs Coppock. Exciting times await as she begins a new role in education but we will all miss her very much here at Cledford. We wish both her and Miss Welch well as they embark on their next step. Miss Welch will be joining the team as class teacher for Class 1 in January alongside Miss Parton.

We have been working hard in school to increase independent skills and fastening coats has taken priority this week. I am always looking for tips and tricks to help us teach our little people 'how to....' and this attached links gives some tips on how to help fasten a zip. Worth a look as the children continue to work on this skill. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hj5SAin5dQ>

The Christmas party was great fun on Tuesday. Pictures of the party and Christmas dinner will be added to the website soon. The children really enjoyed PE on Wednesday. Please see the link if they would like to perfect the dance moves they learnt.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6MOqbriV6GI>

The children do not have school reading books over the holidays but they do have a list of tricky words they need to be able to read so please work on this instead of a book.

Finally, on behalf of the whole team I would like to wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a happy new year.

We will see you all in 2023.

The EYFS team

## Dates for your diary

- Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – School closes for Christmas**
- Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan – School re-opens**
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January – PTFA meeting (6pm)
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January – Family lunch for class 9 (year 5)
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January – EYFS and KS1 theatre visit
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January – Family lunch for class 10 (year 5)
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January – School nurses to see EYFS (eyes & ears check)
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January – KS2 theatre visit
- Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January – Year 2 & 6 SATs meetings for parents
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February – EYFS stay and get baking
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February – school closes for half term**
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February – School re-opens**

## Attendance

### CLASS OF THE WEEK

**Class 10 – 100%**  
**WELL DONE CLASS 10**

**WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK: 86.6%**  
**WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR: 93.4%**

Class 1: 82.4%	Class 8: 90.6%
Class 2: 83.2%	Class 9: 84.1%
Class 3: 76.7%	Class 10: 100%
Class 4: 76.7%	Class 11: 85.9%
Class 5: 90%	Class 12: 92.1%
Class 6: 87.8%	
Class 7: 88.1%	

