



Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

This week we have welcomed our reception parents in to school to watch their children in their Nativity. The children have done three performances this week and they were all perfect! The smiles from parents were lovely and the children were so proud of themselves, and rightly so. The performances were followed by a 'look at our learning' session where children were able to share their Learning Journey books with their family members.

Year 4 invited parents into school to see the hundreds of photos that were taken during their residential at Robin Wood. The children are an asset to school and parents should be proud.

I can now confirm that one of our dodge ball teams came first in last week's game and the other team came third. Congratulations and well done!

Have a great weekend.

Mr Adlington

Principal



Arbor – In app messages

Please ensure you have signed up for an account on Arbor and that you have notifications turned on! The school office send most communications through the in app messaging service so it is imperative that you use this to ensure you do not miss vital information. If you are having any issues logging into your Arbor account, please contact the school office for assistance. Thank you.

Thursday 19th December – Christmas Carol Service

The service will take place at 10:30am on Thursday 19th December. There will be no school snack available on the morning of the service; please send your child in with their own snack to eat when they return to school.

If you wish to volunteer as a helper on the day, please let the main office know. We would need you to be available from 9:40 to walk with a class. Unfortunately, due to our risk assessment, adults are unable to walk with pushchairs or children who are not of school age.

Thursday 19th December

Children are welcome to come into school wearing their Christmas jumpers on Thursday!

School Dinners

We will be back on week 2 of our new menu on Monday.

On Thursday, the kitchen staff will be making the children a Christmas lunch.

If you have not ordered a Christmas lunch for your child, you will need to provide them with a packed lunch from home. There will be no alternative lunches available from the kitchen on this day. Thank you.

Merits

- 1 Mrs Higgins - The whole of class 1, for a magnificent Nativity performance!
- 2 Miss Parton – Harvey W, for always being kind, helpful and caring to his friends and his teachers!
- 3 Mrs Giblin – Roman L, for super phonics.
- 4 Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester – Rhys H, for his knowledge and understanding of the Great Fire of London! Your written report is progressing well, well done!
- 5 Miss Addis – Max L, for writing a superb account of The Great Fire of London.
- 6 Mr Varnom – Paul D, for settling into year 3 and having a really good week. Well done!
- 7 Miss Platt – Thomas T, for working hard in all lessons and demonstrating all of the Cledford 3 Rs.
- 8 Mr Gill – Roman M, for showing a good attitude towards his work, and responsibility towards his learning that has been noticed by the adults he works with. Keep it up, Roman!
- 9 Mrs Phillipson – Ellianna H, for her determination and hard work when solving problems involving fractions.
- 10 Mrs Marsland – Josh S, for his outstanding teamwork in science. You make every investigation a successful and enjoyable one – you are a credit to any team! Well done!
- 11 Miss Wagstaff/Mrs Lester – Paige H, for being ready to learn and resilient when exploring 6 figure grid references.

EYFS news

Of course this week has been all about the Nativity play! I am so proud of every single one of the children! I really hope you enjoyed watching it as much as they enjoyed performing. We have squeezed in some other learning as well. The children learnt about Christingle, Hannukah and the origin of the Christmas tree this week. They have been playing games and completing challenges relating to the composition of number 4 and 5. We were not able to fit in a trip to the forest or a PE session but have had chance to climb, balance and move in different ways by using the adventure playground!

I have completed the current phonics assessment on each child and will be analysing the results and using this information to make changes to reading groups as appropriate in the New Year. The children will get a new book next week to read at home but we will collect them in on Friday 20th and I will provide some tricky word based activities for them to complete over the holiday.

It doesn't get any less busy in school next week. The children will watch the year 1 and 2 Christmas play on Monday afternoon, they will also make party hats, Christmas cards and Christmas crafts. We walk down to the church on Thursday 19th. This is also Christmas jumper day and the children will enjoy a delicious Christmas dinner when they return from the church. On Friday 20th, we will have a party and play pass the parcel, musical bumps, musical statues and have a lot of fun! Santa might even leave a gift for each child at the end of the day! I can't wait to celebrate with them all!

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Higgins and the EYFS team

Dates for your diary

- Tuesday 17th Dec (10am) – KS1 Nativity
- Wednesday 18th Dec (5.30pm) – KS1 Nativity
- Thursday 19th Dec (10am) – Christmas service at church
- Thursday 19th Dec – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day!
- Friday 20th Dec – Last day of school before Christmas holidays**
- Monday 6th January – School re-opens**
- Wednesday 8th January – Year 3 swimming starts
- Tuesday 21st January – EYFS/KS1 Visit to New Vic Theatre
- Thursday 23rd January – KS2 visit to New Vic Theatre
- Thursday 30th January – Year 6 parent meetings
- Friday 14th February – Last day of school before half term**
- Monday 24th February – School re-opens**
- Tuesday 25th February – Young Voices (Choir only)
- Wednesday 26th February – Family Lunch Class 8
- Wednesday 5th March – Family Lunch Class 9
- Thursday 6th March – World Book Day – stay and get reading
- Wednesday 12th March – Year 4 (Class 7) family lunch
- Friday 28th March – Non uniform day for Easter bingo donations
- Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd April – PTFA Easter bingo

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Class 9 (Mrs Phillipson) = 100%

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK = 95.9%

WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR = 95.9%

Class 1 = 91.9%

Class 6 = 97.5%

Class 2 = 96.9%

Class 7 = 93.7%

Class 3 = 98.9%

Class 8 = 94.7%

Class 4 = 96.8%

Class 9 = 100%

Class 5 = 94.7%

Class 10 = 97.3%

Class 11 = 93.5%

