



Cledford Primary School Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

This week we celebrated British Science week! At Cledford, we were lucky enough to be visited by a team from British Salt who taught Key Stage 2 all about the production of salt right here on our doorstep in Middlewich. They also made bath bombs with children in Key Stage 2 using product manufactured at their factory just off Booth Lane. Key Stage 1 and our Early Years classes were treated to a visit from a local farmer and staff from the NFU. They learnt about 'Farm to fork' but the highlight was the visiting tractor. The children got to sit inside and even honk the horn! What a treat!

Congratulations go to our year 3 and 4 netball team who won the Middlewich School Sports competition on Thursday night. I'll be getting that trophy engraved this weekend!

Have a great weekend.
Mr Adlington



Stay and learn together – Thursday 27th March 9.00am–9:30am

In our last parent survey you asked for more 'Stay and...' sessions. Our next session is on 27th March and will focus on a range of skills. Once you've dropped your children off as normal, you will be welcomed straight into the classrooms via the school office. We hope you can make it and see some more first hand learning that will help you support your children at home.

SENDCO drop in

Next week, SENDCO drop in will be on Monday morning from 8.45am – 9.15am. This is for one week only.

Comic Relief

Due to the fundraising we are doing for our PTFA and other school events, we are not hosting a formal fundraising event for Comic Relief this year and children should come to school in normal uniform. If you wish to make a donation to Comic Relief, you can do so [via this link](#).

School Dinners

If your child is going to be in later than morning registration and would like a school lunch, please call the office to let us know what they would like before 9.00am.

Next week, we will be on **week 2** of our school menu.

Merits

- 1 Mrs Higgins – Layla W, for the effort she is putting into all aspects of her learning!
- 2 Miss Parton – Kash H, for super work in letters and sounds. You are wowing Mrs Thompson and Mrs Smith every day, Kash!
- 3 Mrs Giblin – The whole of class 3, for representing Cledford so wonderfully on the year 1 visit to the Blue Planet Aquarium.
- 4 Mrs Peters/Mrs Lester – Ruby C, for her creative and wonderful presentation. You are working exceptionally hard and it shows!
- 5 Miss Addis – Lily H, for her fantastic scientific knowledge of what plants need to survive.
- 6 Mr Varnom – Leo W, for trying hard to improve his handwriting. Please keep this up, Leo!
- 7P Miss Platt – Lola G, for an amazing improvement in her times tables!
- 7PM Mrs McLoughlin – Isla-Mai B, for her growing confidence in maths. You can do it, you can achieve it and you did so independently – well done!
- 8 Mr Gill – Ottie T, for showing extra resilience this week and being a positive role model. Well done, Ottie!
- 9 Mrs Phillipson – Ellie F, for working hard to act on advice in order to improve her writing.
- 10 Mrs Marsland – Taloola C, for her amazing writing about invertebrates.
- 11 Miss Wagstaff/Mrs Lester – Brett K, for a mature and thoughtful piece of PSHE work about future careers.

EYFS news

In reception this week, the children have been enjoying the story of 'The Naughty Bus'. They have created story maps, sung the song and thought of alternative words to 'naughty' because we don't use that word in school. Maths work has focussed on 'time,' sequencing the week, the day and the activity. They have enjoyed stories such as 'Night Monkey, Day Monkey', 'Mr Wolf's Week' and 'Five Minutes Peace'. The children have enjoyed taking part in British Science Week with activities related to 'Change and Adapt'. They played 'camouflage caterpillars', did under the sea yoga, visited the huge tractor that came to school on Thursday and talked about how the bus in the story could 'adapt' for the different places it visits.

Pre School children also enjoyed 'camouflage caterpillars' during the Forest school session. They have been painting daffodils, looking at frog spawn and learning more about spring and life cycles. They have enjoyed the book 'Rosa Explores Life Cycles'.

The pre-school merit this week goes to:

Mabel M, for recognising rhyming words.

Nursery children have been looking for signs of spring and singing 'It's raining, it's pouring', being creative using the colour pink and enjoying visiting the tractor as part of British Science Week.

Fingers crossed that it isn't 'raining and pouring' this weekend and we can all get out and explore signs of spring!

The EYFS team

Dates for your diary

- Thursday 27th March – Stay and learn together (9.00 – 9.30am)
- Friday 28th March – Non uniform day for Easter bingo donations
- Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd April – PTFA Easter bingo
- Thursday 3rd April – Easter service at St Michael All Angels church
- Friday 4th April – EYFS visit to Delamere Forest
- Friday 4th April – Last day of school before Easter holidays**
- Tuesday 22nd April – INSET DAY**
- Wednesday 23rd April – School re-opens**
- Thursday 24th April – Year 3 family lunch
- Wednesday 30th April – Year 2 residential meeting (5.30pm – 6.00pm)
- Monday 5th May – BANK HOLIDAY**
- Monday 12th May – SATS week for year 6
- Thursday 22nd May – Class, groups and year 6 leavers' photographs
- Friday 23rd May – Stay and get Creative
- Friday 23rd May – Last day of school before half term**
- Monday 26th May – HALF TERM**
- Monday 2nd June – School re-opens**

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Class 3 (Mrs Giblin) = 98.8%

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK = 94.8%

WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR = 96.1%

Class 1 = 97.7%

Class 7P = 91.7%

Class 2 = 89.5%

Class 7M = 87.1%

Class 3 = 98.8%

Class 8 = 91.9%

Class 4 = 93.5%

Class 9 = 94.7%

Class 5 = 97.7%

Class 10 = 95.6%

Class 6 = 96.0%

Class 11 = 94.4%

