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It has been a very busy first term at Clutton Primary, and I have been made to feel very welcome by staff, parents and children. I am just starting to get to know a little more about village life and how the school sits at the heart of the community. It has been lovely to greet parents and children at the school gate each morning, and I have enjoyed meeting parents and sharing their child's learning during parents evening too.

Each year, the school must produce a school development plan (SDP). This year we have decided to focus on four main areas, which we hope will take the school to new great heights. They are Leadership and Management, Teaching, Learning and Assessment, Outcomes for Pupils and Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare. Projects this year include developing an irresistible Clutton curriculum, improving the outside and inside learning environments and ensuring that all pupils fulfil their potential and become life long learners.

At Friday's PTA annual meeting, Mrs Hayward stepped down from her role as chair in preparation for her maternity leave. On behalf of the school, I would like to thank Mrs Hayward for all of her hard work and dedication. I am pleased to announce that Angie Wilcox will be taking over this role. A huge thank you to the PTA and all parents who support school events so well.

We have great plans in place to spend the money wisely and to the benefit of all the pupils of Clutton School.

## Music for Schools

Every Friday, Amanda Garland visits us from Music for Schools to teach children their chosen instrument. If anyone is interested in learning to play either clarinet, saxophone, flute, trumpet or cornet please let the office know.

<https://www.mfsf.org.uk/>

We also have music teaching from BANES, who offer tuition in violin, keyboards and guitar. This is currently offered for Year 1 up. If your child is in receipt of free school meals benefit and would like to learn an instrument, please see Miss Ennew.

## Introducing Clutton Primary School Council 2016 - 2017!

Congratulations to our newly elected school council reps!

Well done Allanah and Tom (Swan Class), Alfie and Megan (Nile Class), Samuel and Jon Jon (Orinoco Class), Ewan, Lewis, Josh and Tristan (Amazon Class). After demonstrating one of our British Values in school, the children were democratically elected. Clutton Pupil Council have already had the first meeting of this term, where they have been deciding on which local charities the school will support.

Miss Heal looks forward to with you!



## Supporting your child at home:

Weekly homework will be set by the class teacher and I please ask that you support your child in ensuring these tasks are completed. Homework helps to consolidate learning in class, and builds your child's independent skills in preparation for secondary school. Alongside homework, it is an expectation that you support your child with their reading, by listening to them read at least three times a week. It is also important to practice their times tables regularly—little and often. As a school, we cannot do this alone—we need your continued support as parents in ensuring that your child receives a fantastic and well-rounded education. Please visit the school website learning zone to find websites and apps that are fun AND support learning at home.

## Harvest Assembly 2016:

Thank you to all the parents who came and supported the harvest assembly, at St Augustine's Church. It was lovely to hear the songs and poems the children had worked so hard on. The collection of donations was one of the biggest Somervale foodbank had seen! They thought it was from a much larger school! Thank you for your generosity, it will make a big difference to people who find themselves in need, for many different reasons.



## Safety reminders:

Safety is paramount at Clutton:

Please remind children that they should not scoot along the front of school or around the car park for their own safety and that of other children.

Arriving for school:

The school bell rings at 8.50am. Whilst it is important children are on time, some children are arriving at school very early and cannot be supervised by school staff. If you are accompanying your child, please wait with them and supervise their safety until a member of staff appears. Many thanks.

## Clubs:

A club letter will be coming out in Term 2, Week 2, with lots of exciting choices. Thank you to Mr Tanner who has kicked off the sports teams/matches already. Only 5 children signed up to Mad Science, so we unfortunately may not be able to offer this (minimum 15 required)



# Mr Tanner's Sport Review!

## Netball

After just one training session, the 8 members of the school netball squad made their way to Somervale School to take part in the Midsomer Norton Sports Partnership High 5 Tournament. Following a challenging beginning when the team were on the receiving end of plenty of goals scored by a very tall player from Farrington Gurney, the girls understanding of what to do came on leaps and bounds. With two goals apiece from sharpshooters Molly and Lucy, we began playing as a team, winning two of our group games and ending up third out of six schools, narrowly missing out on a semi final place. A big well done to all of the players and to the parents who came along to help transport the team and cheer them on so enthusiastically. Next up, it's the local area football tournament in November.



## Football

If the rest of the 2016-17 Small Schools season lives up to the level of entertainment provided by the two teams who contested its first match up at the Warwick Field last Friday, then we're in for a treat! In a thrilling end to end encounter, the Clutton team narrowly lost 5-4 to the side from Farrington Gurney. With some fine fluent passing football, the home side fought back to equalise on four occasions only to concede a fifth goal very close to the end of the game. Well done to all of our boys and girls as well as the many parents who gathered on the touchline to help create a sense of occasion.

## Cross Country

It was wonderful to see so many Year 5 and 6 children from Clutton giving their all in running around the field at Wellsway School as they competed in the Midsomer Norton Games Association Cross Country Championship. Never before have we had so many boys and girls sign up for the lung bursting challenge but the overall level of entry from 20 primary schools across Bath & NE Somerset was unprecedentedly high. Despite the sunshine, a chilly wind was blowing from the north and so it was a relief to the runners when the time for their race came around. All four races had exciting finishes with all 22 Clutton team members doing themselves and the school proud. Congratulations to Anna Pedelty, who in finishing in 11th place in the Year 5 Girls race, qualified for the regional championships to be held at Ashton Court in the



## Thank you....

### Finally a few thank yous...

A BIG thank you to Luca and Ash's Mum and Dad, Mrs Leeman and Mr Davis, who came in and dug over our school planters, ready for the children to plant bulbs in after half term. If you would like to donate any bulbs, plants or shrubs to enhance our outside spaces, we would be very grateful.

Thank you also to the Clutton Horticultural Society, who alongside organising the super annual Bulb Festival in March, will be donating bulbs for our planters. I can't wait to see them bloom in the Spring.

Please check out the website. Click on the link below:-  
[www.cluttonschool.com](http://www.cluttonschool.com)

### Dates for your Diaries 2016—2017

*These are currently being added to the school website on the home page. Please check there for class newsletters too.*

Clutton Primary School is committed to working towards race equality, promoting positive approaches to difference and opposing all forms of racial prejudice and discrimination. Language or behaviour, which is racist or potentially damaging to any ethnic or racial group, is not tolerated and will always be challenged. We recognise that British society is made up of people from many different racial, cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds and that all pupils must be fully prepared to live in such a diverse society.