



Clutton Primary School 17th October 2017

Term 1 continues at pace!

Hello. Term 1 continues at such a pace.. I can't believe that it is almost half term. This term your children have been undertaking lots of projects, such as The Great Fire of London and the Ancient Greeks, learning through our new irresistible curriculum. They have also just started to trial Doodle Maths, an online Maths programme that will challenge even are greatest mathematicians! Ms Orange, our Maths lead, will be sending out more information if we decide it is the right thing for our children. Swan Class are currently outside enjoying our new 'windy weather' kit—balloons, bubbles, space blankets, scarves, ribbons and mini kites—and I am off to join them!
I hope you enjoy sharing in our learning this term, from Miss Ennew.

The Copse:



After lots of hard clearing work, we are now ready to have the first of four seasonal days at the copse. Children will be placing their name stone in front of their tree, completing detailed sketches, creative writing, completing a nature treasure hunt and much more. A BIG thank you to the volunteers who came and helped Mr Tanner in their spare time. Mr Tanner works tirelessly to maintain the copse, our newly planned orchard and the school allotment—we are so lucky with our dedicated staff here at Clutton. Thank you Mr T!

A reminder from Mrs Allen:

Just a reminder to ask that all school dinners are paid for by the end of this week. Many thanks.

Harvest/Send A Cow update:



Send a Cow
Change a family's future

Thank you to all of the parents, relatives and friends who were able to join us at St Augustine's Church, for our special Harvest assembly. They were treated to some beautiful singing, poetry and a play. We were also able to share information about our chosen charity, Send A Cow. It is amazing—we have managed to raise over £800 so far! This will make a huge difference in the lives of many less fortunate than us. A huge thank you must go to Mrs Morris who not only coordinated the charity fundraising, but also compared the assembly beautifully. Please enjoy the pictures, courtesy of Mrs Williams—I am sorry but we don't have a photograph of Otter Class performing their Dingly Dangly Scarecrow song. If you have a photograph of them, please email a copy to our school office,

Thank you, once again, for your support.

Harvest Assembly 2017



Orinoco Class wrote and performed their Harvest prayer called 'Gratitude'.

Swan Class made our Harvest bread, and sang a song of instructions of how to make it.



Amazon Class performed a play about our charity, Send A Cow.

Nile Class shared their art work, inspired by Giuseppe Arcimboldo.



A message from the governors:

Governance of Clutton Primary School

A month has passed since the start of another school year and I hope your child or children are settling into their new class. A special welcome to the parents of the new reception class. As we move into October and the school day becomes routine for you it feels time to write and tell you about the role of governors at Clutton Primary.

Clutton Primary is a friendly, rural community academy school. Our vision is that staff, governors and parents work actively together to ensure children receive a rich, inspiring and engaging education enabling each child to become a lifelong learner, aspiring to high standards of achievement in all areas of their life.

The staff at Clutton do an amazing job to bring that vision to life, with governors supporting and challenging the school where needed.

Schools governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country. We rely on parents and members of the community to form a strategic governing body that has three key functions:

Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction.

Holding the head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils.

Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

We are currently seeking volunteers to fill Governor vacancies. It only takes 10-15 hours a term and anyone over 18 and living in the UK can be a Governor. If interested you should be committed to; the critical friend role, open minded, empathetic, sensitive and respectful of confidentiality. You should be an effective communicator with an interest or enthusiasm for education. A sense of humour and the ability to focus on 'the big picture' would help. New Governor induction will be provided. Anyone interested in learning more about what being a Governor involves should contact Paul Smith, Chair of the Governing body, by email at paul.smith@msnpartnership.com or submit an expression of interest via the school reception.

Paul Smith, Chair of Governing Body

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Netball Club: By Mrs Cowgill.



The High five netball team (Alice, Beth (yr5) Amelia, Emily, Anna, Annabelle and Molly (yr6) played superbly well in the area tournament, winning 4 out of 5 matches in their pool to make it through to the semi-finals. Their eventual placing of joint third means they have made it through to the county final in March. The girls demonstrated amazing teamwork and showed true sportsmanship - great ambassadors for the school. A big thank you to all the parents and siblings who came along to support.

A Bonfire and Firework Spectacular!



Church Farm, Monday 6th November 2017

Gates open 6pm; Fireworks from 6.45pm

Tickets are now available for our PTFA Bonfire Night from the school office. If you are going to one display this year, please make it this one! It promises to be a great night, where the school guy competition will be judged. All proceeds go back into making your child's school a lovely place to learn. Without the PTFA, we wouldn't have our new football and netball posts, our annual subsidised trip to the pantomime in Bath or our amazing new library books.

Please check out the website. Click on the link below:-

www.cluttonschool.com

Dates for your Diaries 2017–2018

Please note a change in date for Key Stage 1 and 2 Christmas celebrations. This is due to the availability of the church. As always, we will endeavour to keep you up to date with any necessary changes, which will be on the website.

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.