

Clutton Primary School 1st April 2021

Head teacher welcome:

Welcome to the latest newsletter.

As we get closer to the end of term and the Easter holidays, I thought you might like to share in some of the things we have been working on over the last few weeks. It has been lovely to hear the classrooms full of questions and inquisitive minds again.

We have spent the last few weeks assessing—both in class and in 'quizzes' - what the children have remembered so far this year. This helps us to identify where the gaps are and plan the next steps for classes and individual children. The biggest gaps we are seeing are around handwriting and writing stamina—that is a big focus for us moving forward.

Children may come home and say, "We are doingagain!" Please don't worry if they are revising knowledge from lockdown or before—it isn't a reflection on how it has been taught!! By recalling and revisiting learning, it helps change a child's long term memory. This then helps them make automatic, and natural links across subjects and frees up their working memory, so they can work through problems, and apply skills and knowledge in different ways. Little and often helps children to remember key facts and knowledge that they need to understand the next steps in learning. Times tables is an example of this—unless they know them and can recall them quickly, it slows down almost every aspect of Maths.

School leaders have been reviewing the school curriculum for the end of this year and next. With less time in school, we have not been able to cover all that is planned and so are moving some learning into the next academic year. Once this is all collated, we will be updating the website curriculum pages.

Finally, please keep an eye out for virtual parent's evenings next term: There will be a parent's quide to follow, which will give the option of a joint meeting for separated families, or two separate appointments for mum and dad.

Have a lovely Easter break,

Miss Ennew and the Clutton team.

Dental Health visit: Cherries, Maple and Willow Class.

Children in Cherries, Maple and Willow Classes had a virtual visit from a dental nurse, and learnt lots of interesting facts on how to keep teeth healthy and clean. As parents, you can really help with this. A reminder to send just water in water bottles, not juice and also to send healthy snacks for break time—a piece of fruit/ chopped vegetables/ dried fruit/ Yoyo bars. Children told me that, "Chocolate is a treat, not for everyday!" Childhood obesity is a very real concern, especially following lockdown, so please just send in healthy snacks and lunches.

Facts I learnt from visiting Willow Class:

Darcy: "Sugar is bad for your teeth." Livie: "You should have no more than 5 teaspoons a day."

"Cheerios, Coco Pops and Chocolate Stars have too much sugar in them!" Alithea, Olive and Joel.

"Children shouldn't use mouthwash."

"We don't need to wet our toothbrushes." Maya

"Wetting your brush gets rid of the fluoride." Reuben.



Please take a look at this short video from Dr Ranj and Supertooth: https://youtu.be/IQE4xxk1r5g

The Rumbling Tum is open for business!



Children really liked the make over!

The servery is now open, and so children can eat more socially and from plates again!

Summer Balch has joined us in the servery, after Karen Vailes took early retirement. We thank her for the 14 years she spent at Clutton. She loved the rose we gave her, and the card made by the children. Thank you to the PTFA for helping fund the improvements.

Healthy lunchboxes help children be ready for lunchtime play and an afternoon of learning—too much sugar hinders constant afternoon energy and can affect behaviour.

Look on this website below for top tips and simple switches to

Prepare healthy lunches for your children.

https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes



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Lunchtime table manners will be a focus next term. Please practise using knives and forks at home, alongside placing them together when finished, staying seated during meals and helping to pour water.

Top tables will get an extra Forest session as a reward for showing RESPECT for others.

Drop off/ collection times/ PE and Forest Days

PICK UP AND DROP OFF

	DROP	PICK	PE
	OFF	UP	DAY*
CHERRY (Yr R)	8:45am Vehicle Gate	3:10pm Front Playground	Friday
MAPLE (Yr 1)	8:50am Vehicle Gate	3:15PM Front Playground	Monday
WILLOW (Yr2)	8:55am Vehicle Gate	3:20PM Front Playground	Wednesday (Forest School – Monday*)
ROWAN (Yr3)	8:50am Vehicle Gate	3:15PM Front Playground	Thursday
SYCAMORE (Yr 4/5)	8:55am Vehicle Gate	3:20PM Front Playground	Tuesday Yr4 - Swim : Yr5 - PE (DT - Friday)
OAK (Yr 5/6)	8:45am Vehicle Gate	3:10pm Front Playground	Tuesday Yr5 - PE Friday Yr5 + Yr6 - PE

*appropriate clothing can be worn all day

Updated Term 5

Class drop off and pick ups are remaining the same in Term 5.

Please see updated PE and Forest School days. Year 4 will be swimming Tuesday afternoons.

Lunchtime bubbles will be EYFS/KS1 and KS2. This will allow children to play with more friends and enjoy more of the play space we have. The school risk assessment will be updated and is available on the school website.

Goodbye to Mrs Worle



We all gathered to say a fond farewell to Mrs Worle, who is finishing her time at Clutton after 12 years. We presented her with an engraved compass and map, as she loves walking and exploring. Children presented cards from the class. Whilst we will all miss Mrs Worle, we are pleased that she will have more time for friends and hobbies.

COVID UPDATES:

See Covid-19 support page on school website for latest school risk assessment and communication https://www.cluttonschool.com/keeping-safe/covid-19.htm
Reminder that families with primary aged children can now order a LFD test kit for adult testing at home how to order a test kit link here - https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests. Image of a test kit attached

A reminder that Public Health England have advised that low income families of children who have been advised to self-isolate by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a <u>Test and Trace Support Payment</u> or discretionary payment of £500. Please follow the link above for more details. Contact <u>office@cluttonschool.com</u> if you need further support. If you are a low income family and receive benefits of any sort and have not already registered as for a pupil premium grant for your child(ren) in school, please have a look at the <u>Pupil Premium page</u> of our website or contact <u>office@cluttonschool.com</u> for more information.

Please wear a mask and keep social distancing at the gate.

We have received emails into the school office of parents feeling worried that other parents are grouping around school gates and not wearing masks—a polite reminder that by wearing a mask and social distancing you are keeping others safe. We all want our children, families and staff to stay well and for school to stay open—please continue to help us along the way.

A reminder to please continue to report any positive cases in your household via the school office email during the Easter holidays.

Opportunities outside of school:



Where? - Station Park near The Cabin/Scout Hut in Clutton and the playing field behind the village hall in Temple Cloud (to be confirmed) When? - The trail posters will be up over The Easter Holidays. Come whenever your free! What is it? - a series of hidden posters with QR codes. You will need a smart device to lead you to videos showing characters from the Easter Story. (I Phones have a QR code reader. Download a QR code reader for an android device.) Find the hidden letters which reveal a secret (All children should be accompanied by an adult as there is no supervision on the site. It is suitable for children of Primary School age) For more information please contact Helen Lundberg on 07708650744

Learn more about the Easter Story on our Easter Trail!

The Parish of Clutton with Cameley

City of Bristol Swimming Club are inviting anyone ASA Stage 5 or above to trial for one of their swimming squads. See attached flyer for more details.

The Bulb Trail 2021:



Thank you to all who took part in our bulb trail this year. It was lovely to walk around the village and see all of the children's super poems and art work. We were so pleased to receive a postcard from a local resident saying how much they enjoyed it too. As a school, we really enjoy projects that involve the whole community.



Advanced notice of road works:



BANES have advised us that they will be undertaking drain work close to the school from 6th April for up to 4 weeks. This may cause disruption to your school journey in the early part of Term 5.

For more information see BANES road works notice April 2021. There is also a link letter from BANES on our school website.

Dates for your Diaries 2020—2021

Please check the school website and class pages for up to date information regarding events at the school.

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.