Clutton Primary School Appreciate, Aspire, Achieve

Newsletter 8 - November 4th 2022



Welcome back to what will probably be the busiest but most fun term of the academic year. You'll be humming along to nativity songs and Christmas carols before you know it!

Unfortunately, we received some very sad news last weekend. Henry Jennings, who had been our caretaker at Clutton for over 15 years, passed away suddenly on Saturday. Henry came into school every day to open up, check everything was safe for the day ahead and was also a very proficient handyman, taking on many of the tasks that needed doing around the school. He will be sorely missed and our thoughts are with his family at this time.



We would like to say a huge thank you to our small but dedicated team of parents on the PTFA for all their very hard work in organising the fireworks night and raising a massive £1100. Everyone who attended had a great time.

Finally, please don't forget to check out your child's class pages for information about what your child will be learning this term and completing those reading records as you listen to them read.

Mrs Cowgill and Mr Turull

Wells Cathedral Concert

On Thursday, Sycamore and Oak Classes were invited to take part in a concert at Wells Cathedral singing alongside Wells Cathedral choristers and students from three other schools. This was the reward for all the hard work the children have put into learning and rehearsing some quite challenging songs vocally. I think all who attended would agree that the children did a fabulous job and are a credit to the school.







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Notices

- Dinner Menu Choices These must be made by Thursday for the following week. Unfortunately, options can no longer be changed after this day. Please note that if you book a meal and then your child brings in a packed lunch on that day you will still be charged for the booked meal if you pay for school lunches, unless your child is ill.
- **Forest School** For one week only Oak class will have their Forest School session on Thursday 10th November, not Monday. It will return to Monday on Monday 14th November. Thank you.
- **Mobile library -** This will be in the pub car park every other Tuesday 3-4pm. Please make sure that you take advantage of this fantastic resource.
- **School gates** will open from 8.40am each morning for children to enter school and from 3.10pm to allow parents to come into the playground for pick up at 3.15pm
- **School pick up** Please remember to inform the school if collection arrangements are different from normal.
- **Winter weather** Please can you ensure that you are sending your child to school with a coat now that the weather is more unpredictable.

Amazon Wish List

We have created a list of books that we would like to add to our book corners in order to continue to promote the love of reading. If you feel able to purchase one of the books for the school it would be greatly appreciated. Simply follow the link below into your browser and choose a book to purchase. Many thanks - https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/KCC6UARWF1Q8?ref =wl share Thank you to everyone who has donated a book so far.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 8th November Open Day for prospective parents
Tuesday 22nd November Year 6 Height and Weight Screening

Year 6 Height and Weight Screening Small Schools' Football Tournament Clutton Local Governing Body Meeting

Wednesday 30th November BANES Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics Tournament

Tuesday 6th December 9.30am KS1 Nativity

Small Schools' Swimming Gala

Wednesday 7th December 2.15pm KS1 Nativity

Thursday 8th December 12.30pm Theatre visit to watch the Snow Queen

Monday 12th December 9.30am Cherry Class Nativity

4.30pm KS2 Carols by Candlelight

Friday 16th December END OF TERM 2

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Could you be the next School Governor?

We really need more School Governors to help with the leadership of the school. Many people confuse this role with that of the PTFA - it's very different. The PTFA do an amazing job of raising vital funds for the school, whereas the Governors help to 'govern' the school and keep it performing at its best.

The role is a voluntary one that only takes up a few hours each term (just a 1.5 hour meeting each term with some pre-reading to do and also one visit to the school each term to look at a specific subject). It is a highly rewarding role and a very valued role.

If you would like to find out more, please contact me <u>rachel.powell@msnpartnership.com</u> and I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Thanks

Rachel Powell (Chair of Governors)



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Certificates of the week

Head Teacher Awards

Congratulations to Ash, Frankie, Alfie, Phoebe, Annabel and Teddy for receiving the Head Teacher's awards today.





Doodle Maths & Doodle Tables



Top for Doodle Maths this week were Connie, Alithea, Jessica, Joshua and Adalyn. For Doodle Tables it was Connie, Reuben, Jessica and Joseph. Well done to you all.

Reader of the Week & Playground Tidy Up Award

Molly was awarded Reader of the Week in our Celebration assembly and Thomas received the Playground Tidy Up award.



Other Awards

Albie brought in his swimming certificate and Juno showed her Freestyle gymnastics certificate.

