Clutton Primary School Appreciate, Aspire, Achieve

Newsletter 15- January 5th 2024



Happy New Year!

We have some exciting news to begin with - Mrs Rawes' twins were born on December 28th, Jude and Elliot and all are doing well. I'm sure Mrs Rawes will be popping in for a visit when she feels able.

The children have settled back into school extremely well and we have made a whole school New Year's resolution to remember our manners and to be kind (linked to our school value 'Respect'). The children have certainly taken this on board, holding doors open for each other and trying extremely hard to always say please and thank you.



After a meeting with our Education Welfare Officer before the Christmas

break, we will be sending out some letters next week for children whose attendance is below 90%. There are often very good reasons why children have been absent from school, with many viruses and bugs circulating towards the end of the Autumn Term. However, there is a wealth of research linking good outcomes at primary school to high levels of attendance, so we need to flag up the children who have had considerable absence and then work with families to try and improve this. Holidays in term time are also a reason for low attendance and we would like to take this opportunity to remind you that in nearly all cases, these will not be authorised by the school. It has also been noted that Friday attendance is lower than other days for many children, which is something we are monitoring closely.

We would like to remind you that long hair should be tied back and the only jewellery that should be worn are small stud earrings and a watch (no smart watches please). We are attaching our uniform guidelines to this week's newsletter so please can you ensure you are following these when sending your child to school.

If you live within close proximity of the school, you may have noticed our external lighting coming on at different times during the Christmas break. The electrical contractors were in at the end of term, but unfortunately the timers were incorrect. This issue is now hopefully resolved so that the lighting will only come on for an hour in the morning and two hours late afternoon/early evening.

Finally we would like to pass on the message to anyone with children due to start in Reception in September 2024, that the deadline for admissions is Monday 15th January.

Mrs Cowgill and Mr Turull

MULTI SPORTS CLUB

We have employed a new sports company to run our multisports club. PH sports work in many other schools in our area and are highly thought of.

The aim will be for the club to run on Thursdays 3.15-4.15 with the first session beginning on Thursday 25th January.

Flyers on how to sign up will be sent out next week. Children in receipt of pupil premium funding will be subsidised by the school.

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Certificates of the week

Head Teacher Awards and Doodle Maths

Awards and certificates will be handed out again next week.

Notices

- **Appropriate clothing** As the weather is colder and wetter, please can you ensure your child has a pair of named wellies in school and wears a coat.
- Forest School Group 3 (All of Year 6 and some of Year 5) will be having Forest School on a Friday for their enrichment session. An email was sent out about it for the children involved.
- **Jewellery -** small stud earrings only please.
- **PE** Group 1 will be having PE on a Friday for their enrichment session. PE kit to be worn on a Friday.
- School Day Begins at 8.45am and ends 3.15pm. The gates close at 8.50am each morning.
- **School Pick up** Please remember to inform the school if collection arrangements are different from normal.
- **Swimming** Group 2 will be swimming on a Friday for their enrichment session from Friday 12th January. PE kit still to be worn on a Friday.
- Please do not allow your child to climb on the school wall, fence or gates. Thank you.

Is your child interested in a Science Club?

We have been approached by a company offering to run an after school science club. The price would be £7 a week per child. All sessions are completely hands-on and topics include engineering, potions, electricity, light and more, and are suitable for Years 1- 6. The minimum number of children needed for the club to run is 12, so we don't want to commit unless there is interest for it. If you would like your child to attend a club like this then please let us know in the school office and if there is enough interest we will go ahead. If there is a day you would prefer the club to run please tell us that too and we'll see what works for the majority.

Diary Dates

January

Monday 8th Clubs start

Wednesday 10th Amber House - non-uniform day (house treat)
Friday 12th Swimming starts for Enrichment group 2
Tuesday 16th Dental survey for selected 5 year olds

Year 4 Parents' meeting re: residential @ HIGH LITTLETON

SCHOOL 4.30pm

Local Governing Body Meeting (6:00pm)

Thursday 18th Netball match @ St John's Primary. Leave school 3.15pm

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Clutton Primary School Uniform 2023-24

The school colour is dark green and jumpers/cardigans need to have the Clutton School logo where possible. Please help us by ensuring that ALL items of clothing are clearly marked with your child's name.

School Uniform:

Grey or black skirt/pinafore dress, trousers or shorts.
Or green gingham dress in the summer.
White or dark green blouse or polo shirt.
Green cardigan, jumper or sweatshirt
(preferably with a school logo).
Black, grey or white socks.
Black or grey tights.
Black or brown shoes or ALL black trainers.

PE Kit

Children should wear t-shirts in their house colours. Black shorts, black leggings or black tracksuit bottoms. Black Clutton Primary PE hoodie is encouraged. Trainers of choice.



Accessories:

For safety reasons, only stud earrings are allowed and children should wear no other jewellery, although they may wear a watch if they would like, however these must not be 'smart watches', just standard watches to help them learn to tell the time.

No make up is to be worn including nail varnish.

Hairstyles: Long hair should be tied back at all times. Children should not be sent to school with extreme haircuts or hairstyles.

School Uniforms can be ordered through our suppliers Curtis Sports or

Norton Sports and Camping following these links:

Clutton Primary School Uniform Online Store (curtis-sports.com)

Norton Sports and Camping

We are keen to encourage independence and responsibility. Your child will need to look after their belongings and the school will not be held responsible for any losses.

Please see the Trust wide uniform policy here

We encourage responsible reuse of pre-worm uniforms, see members of the PTFA who ensure second-hand clothing is regularly available.









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Benefit Related Free School Meals All School Years

Is your household earned income/take home pay below £616.67 per month?

Is your child missing out on Benefit Related Free School Meals?

If your household earned income/take home pay is below £616.67 per month, (which is equivalent to £7,400 per year) and your child attends a Bath & North East Somerset academy or maintained school then you could be entitled to Benefit Related Free School Meals?

Your household income is the figure that Universal Credit use to work out how much Universal Credit to pay you, **not** your actual Universal Credit payment.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1, or Year two and receives Universal Infant Free School Meals, you can still apply for the Benefit Related Free School Meals.

Please do not reapply if your child is already in receipt of Benefit Related Free School Meals.

Ways to apply:

- Online via the following link: https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals
- · You can ask your child's school for an application form
- You can make a telephone application by calling 01225 394317. If you reach our answerphone, please leave a message and we will call you back.

For more details, please visit our website at: https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals