



Wow! What an amazingly full week we have had at Clutton. Tuesday saw the children singing and performing in the church at our Harvest Celebration, the first trip outside of school for many of our younger children. A big thank you to Mrs Morris for organising this. Also, a big thank you for all your donations. Mrs Morris said that in all her years of attending harvest festivals, she has never seen such a generous contribution.



On Wednesday, Willow Class had some surprise visitors in the form of firefighters arriving to talk to them about fire safety. The children especially enjoyed looking at the specialist equipment and fireproof clothes, exploring the fire engine and learning how to do the 'drop and roll'. Apologies to any of our neighbours who may have been disturbed by the incredibly loud siren!



The fire crew also set everyone some extra homework - It is important that every child learns their address and to check they have smoke alarms at home. Smoke alarms are free from the fire service if you do not have one.

The first learning exhibition of the academic year took place yesterday for parents and other family members and again this morning for the other classes in the school. A big congratulations to Sycamore class for wowing us with all your learning this term. Miss Orange has certainly been keeping you very busy!





Oak Class, armed with trowels and forks headed down to the Cabin to help the parish council by planting 300 bulbs. Luckily, the weather stayed dry and I'm sure the area will look beautiful in Spring when the bulbs start to bloom.

Finally, our sporting fixtures are up and running. Yesterday afternoon I took our very excited netball team to St Mary's Timsbury to play in the first round of the BANES netball cup. They demonstrated amazing team work which was reflected in the final score : 14-1 to Clutton! Safely through to the next round. Thank you to everyone that came along to cheer us on.

Mrs Cowgill



Sycamore Class Forest School



Sycamore class have been enjoying a very autumnal forest school this term. They have been learning about the autumn equinox and the changes in nature this time of year, doing lots of activities to reflect this. This included bug hunting and improving our bug hotel in the Forest School area for the colder months. And with fallen leaves, conkers and other goodies found on the ground, some children chose to make Autumn wreaths, jewellery, weave cobwebs and conker spiders.

Leaf and petal bashing on fabric created wonderful print pictures and then they learnt how to do square lashing to make frames to display their designs. The children have also been improving their den building skills and made some wonderful shelters last week. Some even had multiple rooms and a zip wire! They enjoyed showing Willow class around their creations. If you are going to the PTFA Fireworks Night look out for our two expertly made scarecrows. Next term Oak class will be having forest school and we look forward to lots of fun activities for them to take part in for the Christmas term.





Notices

- **COVID-19 - Please can you keep us informed of any positive Covid tests in your families.**
- **Dinner Menu Choices** - Term 2 meals can now be booked for w/c 1st November. Please remember to book by Thursday for the following week. Unfortunately, options can no longer be changed after this day.
- **Holiday requests** - please can you ensure that you are following the MAT guidance for requesting holidays and completing a holiday request form which can be provided by the school office. Holidays during term time will not be authorised other than in exceptional circumstances. Holiday absences of 10 continuous sessions (5 days) will most likely incur a fine from the local authority.
- **Music Lessons** - Guitar lessons are back at Clutton school. If you are interested in your child learning an instrument please see BANES Music Service website – www.banesmusiconline.co.uk. Keyboard, violin and guitar are just some of the lessons available.
- **Nasal Flu vaccinations** - will take place on the 10th November. Please complete the consent form which is linked [here](https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2021/banes) by the 1st November. (<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2021/banes>)
- **Volunteering** - If you have an hour or two free a week and are able to come and volunteer in school, whether it be sharing books with children, helping in the classroom with art or DT projects, we'd love to hear from you. Please pop into the school office for further information.
- **Second hand uniform** - If you would like to buy some then the PTFA are selling second hand uniform on their facebook page Clutton Primary School PTFA.
- **Preparing for Fireworks Night** - The PTFA are looking for volunteers to help clear the site for the fireworks display on Sunday 31st October. A good opportunity for any children looking for evidence towards their citizenship awards! If you're interested please see Tanya Perry from the PTFA.

Diary Dates

Thursday 22nd October	End of Term 1
Friday 23rd October	INSET day
Saturday 30th October	PTFA Fireworks display
Monday 1st November	Term 2 begins
Tuesday 9th November	Parents Evening
Wednesday 10th November	Parents Evening
Wednesday 10th November	Nasal Flu vaccinations
Friday 19th November	Children in Need
Saturday 20th November	PTFA Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 23rd November	Open morning for prospective parents
Friday 26th November	Hobgoblin Theatre Group performance
Tuesday 7th December	2pm Year 1 and 2 nativity performance
Wednesday 8th December	9.30am Year 1 and 2 nativity performance
Wednesday 15th December	Christmas Lunch



Certificates of the week

Head Teacher Certificates

Congratulations to Joshua, Martha, Amelia, Henry, Ross and Lottie on receiving this week's Head Teacher award.



Doodle Maths

Connie, Phoebe A, Hollie, Toby and Zach earnt the most stars in their class this week. Big congratulations to Zach for winning the Top Doodler trophy!!

Thank you to Lola, Holie and Livie for telling us about their Brownie Promise which they took last week. Well done girls!



Reader of the week (as voted for by our librarians) - Molly T. Keep up the good work!



Tickets are still on sale for the Clutton School PTFA fireworks night -30/10- Please see PTFA members in the school playground at the end of the day or pop into the school office. Please support this event, it promises to be a great evening out.



Half term activities





Mon 25th – Wed 27th October

10am – 4pm

£75.00 Ages 7 - 12



MUSICAL THEATRE

WORKSHOP

October Half Term Holiday Camp



Join us at Winford Primary School for a musical theatre workshop with plenty of tunes, both familiar and new, to lift the spirits and lots of giggles along the way!

Expect to enjoy singing, dancing, and acting, suitable for those with performance experience as well as those giving it a go for the very first time!

Gain confidence and performance skills in this friendly, supportive workshop environment for kids in years 3 – 7

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