

Cleves School

Newsletter - 22/11/24



that are in Year 2 that they can book a tour of the school by ringing the school office.

Our next big school event is the PTA Christmas Fair on 30th November between 1 and 4. This will be a fantastic opportunity to come together, have fun and raise funds for us to continue to provide the outstanding offer that we provide. There are still spaces available for volunteers and your support would be greatly appreciated. I look forward to seeing you there.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 29/11 - Mufti Day to support PTA Christmas Fair
- 30/11 - PTA Christmas Fair
- 6/12 Y2 Mini Olympics
- 6/12 - PTA Wreath Making Workshop
- 10/12 & 11/12 - Y3/4 Nativities
- 17/12 - Year 5 Christmas Concert
- 18/12 - Year 6 Christmas Concert
- 20/12 - End of Term 1:45

THIS WEEK

This Tuesday, we welcomed prospective parents to look around our school and see the fantastic offer we provide for our children. Walking around, I was so proud of our staff and children and the standard set by them. It was incredible to see children talking with confidence and enthusiasm about their learning and experiences and expertly guiding adults around the school. It was also exciting to hear staff discussing their subject areas and showcasing our offer. On reflection, I was filled with a sense of pride in the school community that dedicates itself to excellence and aspiring to achieve full potential. I know that many parents were also incredibly impressed with our school and look forward to bringing their own children to become part of the Cleves family. Please remember to tell any friends or family members with children

Another busy week in **Year 3**. We had a wonderful start to the week with an immersion day linked to our literacy unit of *The Tempest*. The children created some amazing artwork and took part in some interesting drama activities. We have continued our Science unit on Rocks by testing the permeability of a range of rocks by submerging them in water. We made predictions about which rocks were permeable. In Maths we have completed our second week of multiplication and division with a focus on our 3, 4 and 8 times tables. Please continue to use tackling tables at home. Year 4 have started rehearsals for our festive Christmas nativity by practising our poems and songs. Another busy week in **Year 4**, with the second Science Museum trip today. We have begun a literacy unit where we practise our powers of persuasion in writing a letter about the problem of pollution in the River Thames. In Maths, we have started some work focusing on multiplication and division facts and will be covering the 6, 9, 7, 11 and 12 times tables in the coming weeks. In DT we have investigated a deconstructed canvas bag and made measurements and plans for our own bag which we will then begin to sew next week. We have also been delving deeper into our class novel, *The Ice Palace*, in our whole class reading lessons. And of course we have begun rehearsing for our upcoming Nativity performance with children taking words for the poem and song home to learn this

weekend. Further information can be found on Google Classroom.

Year 5 have had a fantastic week of learning! Our Tudor Spy narrative has nearly come to its conclusion with our lessons now focussing on the final section of our writing. We have all come up with some interesting resolutions to our confrontation with the thief and how they managed to escape! Within Maths, we have started our new unit on Measurement, focussing on looking at measuring the perimeters of various shapes and calculating missing lengths. During PE, we have carried on with our basketball skills. We have worked on our ball control, improving our dribbling and passing with greater precision. Our DT lessons saw us look more in depth at the various Tudor recipes and the ingredients they would have used. We researched different types of pottage and noted how this meal may have differed between rich and poor people in those Tudor times. Later in the week, we were lucky to have a Road Safety talk from a guest who works in conjunction with Brake Road Safety Charity. This entailed a presentation to inform us about the safety awareness around heavy goods vehicles and remaining safe when crossing roads. We hope all the children took some key lessons from the presentation to keep us all safe on the roads! Another fun-packed week in **Year 6!** In Science, pupils enjoyed understanding what Artificial selection was and creating an exercise on 'dog breeding'. 6C's fantastic assembly has also provided prior learning of the story of the evolution of the peppered moths which the rest of the year group will learn about in more depth next week. In Maths, all classes have been coming to the end of unit on fractions and well done for their resilience and reflective learning. In Literacy, it has been fascinating reading each pupil's creative ending to their story 'Origins' - some have been lovely and positive whilst with others, Rusty the robot wasn't so fortunate! Most classes have begun their research and designing their Victorian Samplers - we are ramping up towards Christmas! Year 6 have been very creative and methodical in working out their individual designs. Next week, we will be handing out the class poems and songs, ready for them to learn.

SPORTS

Another very busy week of sport at Cleves with football and tag rugby fixtures and festivals taking place. Today we also have a dodgeball festival happening at Cleves which we will report on next week.

Y6 A Team vs Warren Mead School

Last Friday, the Year 6 boys continued with their busy week of football and played against a strong Warren Mead School in the county cup. After a long journey there, the boys were up for the challenge and started the game well. The opposition moved the ball and pressed Cleves relentlessly. After a battle back and forth, the game ended 3-3 and it needed extra time. Cleves fought hard but sadly conceded at near the end to lose 4-3. A tough game for Cleves, but I'm sure they'll bounce back stronger with many more cups and fixtures left to play. Well done to those involved!

Girls Tag Rugby Festival

Last Friday, the Year 5/6 Girls Tag Rugby Squad attended a Festival held at Cobham RFC. The festival included some coaching, followed by a series of matches. The girls duly applied their knowledge which resulted in a spectacular series of matches. The passing and running were of a very high standard, however, the most impressive aspect was the energy shown when defending. We won 5 out of the 6 matches - a very impressive record indeed. Huge thanks, as ever, to the parents who assisted with travel and of course to Martin Davidson and Ian Rothney who are leading the Girls Rugby club. Squad: Abby, Cece, Ella-Rose, Elleah, Emma, Georgia, Matilda, Thalea, Zoe.



Girls Football Tournament - Fulham FC Training Ground

Eight Year 5 and 6 girls travelled to Fulham's training ground to take part in a 6 a-side football tournament. Each team played 3 matches in one of 4 groups, with the top of each group moving on to the next stage of the competition. The girls were eager to start and were the better side in their first match against Cheam Fields, but the game ended in a 1-1 draw. We then knew that in order to progress we had to beat a very strong team from Latchmere (who won their first match 9-0). The girls raised their game and played a really competitive match with many chances on goal - but again the game ended in a 1-1 draw. Our final match saw a convincing 3-0 win. Looking at the other group games, we were easily in the top 3 teams present, but had an unlucky draw in a tough group. However, the girls all had a fantastic time and enjoyed the experience of being in a professional football club and even got a free bag!

Y5 Boys Football vs. Grovelands

The year 5 boys were once again in league action on Tuesday as they played Grovelands in what was an entertaining fixture. For the second week running, Cleves have scored six goals as they ran out 6 v 2 winners. Congratulations to everyone who played.

Year 6 Wimbledon Competition

On Wednesday afternoon, the Year 6 Boys A Team travelled across to a school in Wimbledon for a morning of football. The Cleves boys were drawn into a strong group and were determined to make it out. Each team played each other twice and Cleves ended the group stage with a huge 10 points, progressing into the knockout round. The Quarter Final saw Cleves play another strong opponent. The game saw a battle in the middle of the pitch, with both teams fighting for possession. After numerous missed chances from all angles, Cleves managed to finally find the back of the net with a close range strike. With the minutes counting down, the boys held on firm and pushed back against the opposition attacks. Cleves secured the win and this sees them progress to the next stage of the tournament in January. A huge congratulations to those that participated!

HARVEST DONATIONS

THANK YOU

Cleves School

For donating:

298.9kgs, Harvest 2024

Your donations make a BIG difference to local people in crisis.



waltoncharity

APPOINTMENTS

All medical and dental appointments should be notified in advance to the Welfare Officer via absence@cleves.co.uk and Class Teacher. Where possible (emergencies being the exception) such appointments should be kept to a minimum as many doctors and dentists offer surgeries outside of school times. However, if appointments have to be made during school hours, it is expected that the pupil will return promptly after the appointment. If for some reason this is not possible, parents should contact the Welfare Officer to discuss before making the decision not to return to school.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Please remember to book school dinners on Scopay at least 72 hours in advance and discuss choices with your child so that they are happy with what they are eating. If your child has not got a booked lunch, we will expect that you will provide a packed lunch on that day.

SAFEGUARDING

We are aware that a small number of parents /carers are using toilets in the Y5 block during pick up time. These toilets are for the use of Cleves

children only and will often be in use by the children at this time of day.

If you find yourselves (or your little ones) caught short please go to reception and ask to use the visitors toilets.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

STATIONERY SHOP

Break-time Stationery Shop

This term the Year 5 & 6 school council members will be running an essential's stationery shop.

Break time: Tuesday for Lower School and Thursdays for Upper School by 4L

Prices:

- Glue sticks £1
- Whiteboard pens 30p
- Rulers 20p
- Pencils 20p
- Rubber 10p
- Friction pen £1.50

If your child is short of stationery, please send them into school with change so they can refill their pencil cases at break time. They will only be allowed to purchase one of each item at a time. Thank you.

INTERNET SAFETY GUIDE

Last week's guide explored screen time and how to talk with your child about healthy use of screens. This week explores online bullying and includes a discussion on what online bullying is and how you can support your child.

To read this week's guide, please click on the image.



CONGRATULATIONS

Last Sunday 17th of November, Mafalda took part in her first ever swimming competition (Staine's Mini meet) and won 3 bronze medals and a sixth place. Well done Mafalda!



Celebrating success. Erin, 3A took part in a nationwide Tapathon to raise money for Children in Need last weekend. Well done Erin!



HOUSE POINTS

Please see below the accumulative house points for this term:

Years	Accumulative Total
Windsor	19064
Warwick	19721
York	17263
Arundel	19811

GOSH MUFTI DAY

Thank you so much to all the families who generously donated last Friday. The bucket rustling generated over £2000 with gift aid! We sincerely appreciate your support towards GOSH. George & Family.



THIS WEEK IN PICTURES

Y5 Road Safety talk, teaching us all to be Road Safety Heroes

