# **Cleves School**

# **Newsletter - 14/01/22**



#### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

- 20/1 Yr 6 Football Tournament
- 20/1 Yr 6 Netball vs St Ann's Heath
- 24/1 Yr 5/6 Football vs St Cuthbert's
- 28/1 Yr 6 Height and Weight Check

#### **THIS WEEK**

This week it's been great listening to the children speak so passionately about their new topics and learning, and hearing about the wide range of activities and opportunities they are being offered. Given the position we found ourselves in 12 months ago, it's lovely that we are continuing to slowly return to relative normality again. Likewise, it is great to see so many children sign up for our spring term extra curricular activities and we are also pleased that most of our music provision is able to return next week. These play such an important role at Cleves and offer so many benefits to our pupils.

Have a good weekend!

It's been a busy week in **Year 3** and we are continuing to enjoy our topic on the Ancient Egyptians. In art, we have been embellishing our group paintings of different Egyptian gods and

goddesses and in history we have been locating the Ancient Egyptian civilisation on a timeline and ordering historical world events, discussing the difference between CE dates and BCE. In PE, we have also started our Egyptian dance unit and have been discussing what it might have been like for the slaves who built the pyramids. We have been using these ideas and a piece of music as a starting point to experiment with movement and repetition. In literacy, we are continuing with our work based on Oliver Jeffer's 'Lost and Found' and have been creating character descriptions, a class story map using the structure of the book but with different characters and a shared piece of writing. In maths, we are focusing on adding and subtracting 2 and 3 digit numbers.using the formal written methods as well as concrete resources to represent calculations. In science, we have started our new topic on forces and magnets and have been identifying what we already know about forces as well as discussing when forces are at work during our everyday activities. In maths, this first full week back for **Year 4**, we have continued our work on fractions, including comparing values, recognising equivalent fractions and understanding fractions greater than one. We have also continued our exciting unit on Theseus and the Minotaur writing a description of the terrifying Minotaur and practising 'show not tell' techniques. In DT, to coincide with our literacy unit, we have begun to plan our wooden mazes which the children will complete over the next few weeks. This week in Topic, we looked at how the Ancient Greek civilisation was organised into different city states. We also started a new unit in RE this week, learning about Sikhism. We had a lesson in science, which the children really enjoyed, where we conducted a number of experiments demonstrating static electricity and showing how current passes in a circuit, even through water.

This week, **Year 5** have been busy creating their own 'Rollercoaster' poems with some very impressive results. In maths, we have been developing our knowledge of the bus stop division method and applying it when reasoning and problem solving. We are delving deeper into our

Space unit; this week learning about our Solar System and the planets within it while in science we have looked at how day and night are created by the Earth rotating on its axis.

In addition to this, we have been studying the artwork of Andy Warhol, in particular 32 Campbell's Soup Cans. The children have designed their own version of a Campbell's Soup label which they will add to their class installation next week. Please can all children bring in an empty clean soup tin for next Tuesday. In PE we have started our new 'Cleves has got talent' gymnastics unit which the children are extremely excited about! We are proud of **Year 6**s efforts and focus, especially in their first full week back. In Literacy, pupils have planned and begun writing their 'spooky stories'. We look forward to reading their excellent ideas. In Maths, we have continued with our unit on decimals, focusing this week on multiplying and dividing decimals by 10, 100 and 100, problem solving with decimals and converting decimals to fractions. In Topic, we are continuing learning about what is pollution and identifying the main causes of pollution to our environment, both natural and man-made. Year 6 also has enjoyed DT. Children learnt the different groups of food, what we mean by healthy and unhealthy foods. They then designed a healthy and unhealthy pizza. In Science, we have continued our unit on irreversible and reversible changes and they observed a demonstration of separating solubles and liquids. In PSHE, Year 6 are continuing learning and discussions regarding families and friendships.

INTERNET SAFETY COMPETITION

From cyberbullying to social networking to digital identity, Safer Internet Day 2022 (SID) on 8th February is a global day of action to build a safer digital world for our children and young people. The aim of the day is to raise awareness of emerging online issues and current concerns, prompting conversations about using tech responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively. This year's theme is 'All fun and games?'.

In support of Safer Internet Day 2022, Surrey Police is inviting children and young people to get involved by participating in their competition.

In line with the campaign theme, 'All fun and games?' they are looking for creative entries that will help promote online safety. Entries could be in the form of a song, poem, poster or video (and everything in between) and address the importance of respect and forming healthy relationships while still being able to enjoy the online world.

The winning creation for each category will be shared on Surrey Police's social media accounts, websites and with local news outlets in return for a £100 Cineworld voucher.

The competition has two categories:

- Primary school ages 7-11 years old
- Secondary school/college ages 11-18 years old

Children must send their entries to Competition@surrey.pnn.police.uk by 5pm on Friday, 28 January 2022, including their contact details, confirmation of parental consent and the category that their entry is for.

#### WELLBEING

We will again be celebrating Children's Mental Health Week, 7-13th February. This year the theme is "Growing Together". The children will be doing some activities that week to encourage growth and development in a positive way. This week also allows us to bring mental health and wellbeing to our everyday conversations.

#### **INTERNET SAFETY**

This week's free online safety guide focuses on the software Replika.

A virtual best friend who's available 24/7 and almost exclusively wants to talk about you. Sounds fantastic doesn't it? Replika mixes deep questions about a user's hopes and fears with lighter enquiries about their preferred pizza toppings.

Confiding in a realistic bot can also ease the stigma that someone might feel in opening up to another human about emotional or mental issues.

The app's makers, however, are at pains to stress that it is not a medically certified service. As this week's guide discovers, the chance of actually worsening a mental or emotional problem is among the possible risks of using Replika – along with the potential for addiction, expensive in-app purchases and receiving inappropriate content from the chatbot.

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



## **SPORTS NEWS**

#### **Year 5 League Cup vs Cobham Free School**

On Friday evening, Cleves played their rescheduled league cup fixture against Cobham Free School at home. The game kicked off with a lively start and some extremely cold weather. The Cleves boys battled hard and took an early lead through a well worked corner. The game continued on in a similar manner, with lots of possession in the middle and few chances at goal. Just before half time, a corner

was fired in and met by an unbelievable bicycle kick strike, which found the top corner of the net. Maybe a contender for goal of the season? The second half started with the rain beginning to start to pour. The Cleves boys fended off some counter attacking football from Cobham, defending a series of corners. Not long after, Cleves grabbed a third goal, with some lovely dribbling and a cut inside finish, which found the bottom corner. Cleves kicked on again and headed the ball home from yet another precise corner. The effectiveness of our corners and the hard work from the boys paid off, with the game finishing 4-0 to Cleves. The boys have now progressed on into the Quarter Final of the league cup. Well done to all those that played in the fixture! We go again against Burhill school in the league next Friday.

#### **Year 6 League Cup vs Cobham Free School**

The year 6 team were also in cup action on Friday with a tough tie against Burhill. It ended up being a classic cup tie with very little to separate the two teams and constant end to end attack. Despite having the better of the possession, Burhill created a few more chances and with 10 minutes remaining, they scored the decisive goal to see them through to the next round. This coming Friday, we have the opportunity to put this defeat behind us with a league fixture against Burhill, this time on the field at Cleves.

#### Year 3 & 4 football W/C 17th & 24th Jan

Unfortunately, there will be no football for year 3 (boys) and year 4 (boys) for the next two weeks. The clubs will return on Wednesday 2nd February.

#### **HOUSE POINTS**

The weekly totals as of Friday 7th January 2022 were:

1st - York 1191

2nd - Warwick 1010

3rd - Arundel **894** 

4th - Windsor 795

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congratulations to Heesung Shin(4S) who passed his grade 5 (Merit) in violin. Well done Heesung!

Congratulations also to Penny (3P). Penny participated along with thousands of other students globally in the International Maths Olympiad which was held in December. The competition was intense but Penelope performed very well. She scored 95.73%ile and was awarded the title of International Maths Olympiad Champion. Well done Penny!



# THIS WEEK IN PICTURES

This week we have pictures from Y3's artwork of Egyptian gods.







