Cleves School

Newsletter - 10/03/23



DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 14/3 4S and 4HM Butser Farm Trip
- 14/3 Yr 4 Residential Meeting at 6pm
- 14/3 Yr 6 County Cup vs Whitgift
- 16/3 4A and 4W Butser Farm Trip
- 17/3 Break the Rules Mufti Day
- 17/3 3J Class Assembly (1.30 & 2.45pm)
- 18/3 District Cross Country Competition
- 18/3 Surrey Primary Swimming Relays
- 20/3 Yr 6 Football vs Manorcroft
- 20/3 Yr 5 Football vs Cardinal Newman
- 21/3 School Photographs Class/Groups
- 21/3 Yr 6 Netball Rally
- 22/3 Yr 5/6 Football vs Ashley
- 23/3 Yr 3/4 Tag Rugby Festival
- 24/3 Parent Consultation Day
- 29/3 Easter Service (5K) 1.30 and 2.30pm

THIS WEEK

It's March but you wouldn't think so after the wintry and cold weather this week. Nonetheless Year 4 had a great day at Butser Farm yesterday and there have also been so many sporting events and successes to report on in the newsletter. Finally, don't forget the 'Break the Rules' Mufti Day next Friday!

Have a good weekend!

It's been another action-packed week in **Year 3** and we are really enjoying our literacy unit on Alternative Tales. We've been looking at the traditional version of the Princess and the Pea as well as alternative endings and identifying key events in the plot. In addition, pupils have planned an alternative ending to the story of the Three Little Pigs and written their hot task before editing their work and writing it up in their Special Writing books. In maths, we have started our work on fractions and have been exploring the difference between unit and non-unit fractions, recapping on the numerator and denominator and looking at the link between tenths and decimals. In RE, we have started our Easter unit on 'What happened during Holy Week and what matters most to Christians?' and have been recapping on the key events of Easter and discussing what these might suggest about Jesus. In science, pupils have carried out an experiment to test the permeability of different rocks. Though we have had a very cold and rainy week, this has not stopped **Year 4** from having another spectacular and action packed week! We have started writing our beautiful Spring Poetry where we have been exploring Rhyming Couplets, Haikus, Cinquinns and Free Verses. In Maths, we have been using all our times table knowledge to explore challenging division questions. We have been continuing to learn about Ancient Greek Dance in P.E and developing our own routines. This week in History, 4C and 4R had a very wet but wonderful day at Butser Farm and the rest of the year group made their own theatrical Ancient Greek masks out of clay. In PAG we have been comparing superlatives and comparatives, and understanding the different suffixes that need to be used. In Art, we have been exploring Hundertwasser and his work within architecture - experimenting with bright colours and textures. Well done Year 4 on a great week!

What a busy week it has been in **Year 5**! Throughout the week, we have been exceptionally busy designing and describing our own 'Lost Things' in Literacy. We have been getting creative and thinking carefully about a setting for our 'Thing' and what interesting and unique features it might have. In Maths, we have continued on with our fractions, decimals and percentages unit, where we've looked at comparing them and now have started converting between them. Our PE session this week involved our ongoing sport of pop lacrosse. This week we have been perfecting our throwing and catching of the ball, focussing on the accuracy of our passes when using the stick. We have then started off a new unit within Science, animals including humans. We have started studying about the human life cycle and have developed our knowledge of the different stages. This week's topic saw us dive into the idea of exploring the planet Mars. We looked at why we would want to visit the planet and how we could possibly explore it too! Another great week in Year 6! In Art we have been exploring a range of environmentally friendly artists that use plastic to create interesting sculptures and models. We have been using these artists to help inspire us as we start to think of our own ideas for the plastic sculptures we will be making at the end of the unit. We have been using our editing and uplevelling skills this week in Literacy to finalise our formal complaint letter. Finally, in Computing we have been improving our coding and algorithm skills on Scratch.

PARENT CONSULTATION DAY

Just a reminder that Parent Consultation Day is coming up on Friday 24th March. School is closed on this day to pupils, providing an opportunity for parents/carers to meet with the class teacher. More details to follow next week.

ECO NEWS

The Eco Council are currently deciding on the new Eco code for Cleves. An Eco code is a whole school promise to protect the planet that reflects the topic work the Eco-Committee have completed in their Action Plan during the school year.

If you have any ideas please see a Eco Council member or speak to Miss Pisano. It needs to link to

the three topics we are covering - water, transport and energy.

This week's Eco Tip from the Eco Team:

Transport - Turn off your engine if you are waiting for someone. Refrain from idling as iIdling your car for more than 10 seconds uses more fuel than turning off the engine and restarting it, costs you money, and creates pollution.



If you have a great Eco Tip for either Water, Energy or Transport then contact Miss Pisano or the Eco Council and your tip could be included in the weekly newsletter or on the Cleves radio.

SPORTS NEWS

Y5 Football

Last Friday the Year 5 football team played Grovelands in their first league game of the spring term. It was another excellent performance from the boys securing an impressive 8 v 2 victory. They really are playing some great football at the moment - congratulations to all involved!

Then on Thursday, the team took part in the annual district tournament at Royal Holloway. Mr Mulea looked after the team as I was with the Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics competition.

They were certainly in safe hands though as the team were unbeaten all afternoon, beating Sayes Court 1v0 in extra time in the final. What's more the team didn't concede a single goal all afternoon. Huge congratulations to all that played. It's quite a run of results the team is on.

Mr Smith



Y6 Football

Last Friday, the Year 6 boys football team kicked off their new league with a home fixture against Grovelands. The game started with high intensity and some confident moves across the pitch. The first half saw Cleves come close to breaking the deadlock, but they couldn't quite see the ball into the net. The second half restarted in a similar fashion and the boys worked hard to force an opener to make it 1-0. With minutes remaining, Grovelands struck back and managed to hold on despite several attempts from Cleves. A tricky start to the new league with a 1-1 draw.

On Monday, the Year 6 boys football team were back in action for a highly contested game against St Ann's Heath. The game got off to a rocky start for Cleves, with the team going behind early on. The physical battles continued on throughout the pitch and both teams fought for the game. Unfortunately, Cleves couldn't find an opening after numerous chances and took the loss on this occasion. Onto another league game on Friday - a home fixture against Cardinal Newman!

Badminton Festival

On Monday, a group of 20 enthusiastic Year 4 children participated in a badminton festival against several other local schools. The afternoon involved many different skill stations and challenges which put all the children to the test. The children who participated in the event showed a huge level of determination, teamwork and respect to others and should be very proud of themselves. A special mention to the 'Killer Carets' Cleves team who finished the afternoon in an impressive 2nd place! A big thank you also goes to the Year 6 Sports Crew children who assisted in running the event!

Sportshall Athletics County Finals

Yesterday, the Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics team took part in the Surrey County Finals at the

Guildford Spectrum. This saw the best 12 schools in Surrey come head to head in what was a very close and exciting afternoon.

Our athletes did not put a foot wrong all afternoon and I am pleased to report that they finished 4th overall - an excellent achievement. Well done to every single member of the team for their dedication and commitment towards training this year!



Border League Cross Country

Last Sunday saw the final Border League Cross Country meeting of the year with a race in Reigate. Once again it was a thoroughly enjoyable and successful morning and afternoon of running with over 60 Cleves Athletes taking part. The results can be viewed by <u>clicking here</u>

Well done to Etienne who won the Year 6 boys race and Eliza, Theodore, Luke, Erin, William, Freddie, Adam and Bailey who all secured top 10 finishes in their respective races.

The event saw the conclusion of the individual and team competitions. In the team event we finished in the following places

- Under 9s Girls 2nd
- Under 9s Boys 1st
- Under 11s Girls 3rd
- Under 11s Boys 1st

Congratulations to all that took part, to win two of the four team awards is a fantastic achievement.

Individually the following children picked up medals

- William Denham 3rd Under 9s
- Roland Spence 5th Under 9s
- Freddie Thompson 6th Under 9s
- Eliza Hedger 4th Under 11s
- Etienne Victor 1st Under 11s
- Luke Duncan 3rd Under 11s

Most importantly though, congratulations to every Cleves pupil that has taken part in these races this

year. You have done brilliantly well! Below is a photo of some of the team!



And finally...

Good luck to the Year 5 and 6 runners who are taking part in the Surrey Primary Cross Country races at Reigate tomorrow!

SURREY YOUTH GAMES

Yesterday afternoon, we had an assembly advertising the forthcoming Surrey Youth Games. The Specsavers Surrey Youth Games is the largest multi-sport youth programme of its kind in the South East, offering FREE local training for 7-16 year olds, leading to a final celebratory event for the whole family.

The Games are for beginners who may not get the chance to attend clubs, or are inactive and put off by the thought of competing against others. The focus is on joining in, having a go and having fun. in order to learn new skills and boost confidence.

Free training starts after Easter across the county's boroughs and districts (excluding Tandridge for 2023), with all teams coming together for a family-friendly event at the Surrey Sports Park in Guildford on Sat June 17.

You can find out what's on offer in your area by clicking here.



TRAVEL NEWS

Travel Plan

WOW Travel Tracker

As a school this week we completed 3340 journeys (Friday to Thurs inc), this includes a 75% Active travel total.

Leading the charge were Year 3 with 943 journeys recorded. In 2nd place were Year 5 with 900.

WOW Badge design competition - Thank you to all who entered the Badge design with a number of spectacular entries really capturing the British wildlife scene. The Travel ambassadors met this week to select their favourites and the winners will be revealed next week.

Cleves Travel Shop (online)

We have a number of items available in the Cleves Travel Shop which are now available to purchase.

The items will be delivered to the children in their classrooms following an order.

NB: Both parts below are required to be completed

- 1. Please complete the order online using the Google Form Cleves Travel Shop link
- 2. Use the parentpay system to pay for the items ordered.

INTERNET SAFETY GUIDE

When Apple unveiled the iPad in early 2010, they almost single-handedly rewrote people's idea of what a portable computing device was capable of – and sparked a tablet revolution. There are several very respectable imitators on the market now, but the iPad remains the standard bearer for tablet computers and still routinely shifts upwards of 40 million units every year.

Their immense popularity, of course, has made the iPad a familiar companion for children and young people: an auxiliary TV; an aid for schoolwork; and a blessing on long car journeys. That said, there are still some aspects of Apple's flagship tablet that parents and carers should bear in mind to help

protect their child from online risks – as our guide explains.

This guide highlights possible hazards including the risk of age-inappropriate content, physical damage to the device and potential screen addiction.

Please click on the image below to read the guide.

