

# Cleves School

Newsletter - 17/06/22



Have a good weekend - fingers crossed the warm weather will continue!

It's been a busy week in **Year 3** and we are continuing with our topic on formal and informal letters in literacy. This week, we have been planning, writing and uplevelling an informal letter to a Year 2 pupil telling them all about Cleves. In maths, we have been learning about capacity and have been converting amounts between milliliters and liters and solving problems. Our new science topic is plants and we have been learning about the different parts of a plant and their function. In RE, we have been learning about the symbols and key features of a Christian baptism, linking to our visit to St Mary's before half term, and comparing an infant christening to an adult baptism. Next week, we'll be learning about how other religions and non-religious people celebrate new life. One of the highlights of our week has been visiting the infant schools on transition visits. The Year 3 children were incredibly friendly and helpful, telling the Year 2s what life at Cleves is like and answering their questions. They also had the opportunity to share some of their work with them, read a story and play some maths games. Well done Year 3 - you were a real credit to our school and thank you to the parents who accompanied us as well- your help was much appreciated! **Year 4** has had a very busy and exciting week! We have been working hard in our new Literacy unit, focussing on persuasive writing. In Maths we have been investigating capacity and mass, and designing our own garden based on our knowledge of area and perimeter. During our Science lessons, we have continued to learn about Healthy Living and how to ensure we have a balanced diet. We had two very successful days of outdoor learning, where we completed a bug hunt survey, learnt about habitats and created our own minibeast piece of art using all natural objects. Some of Year 4 took part in District Sports, where they were outstanding representatives of the school and displayed excellent teamwork and resilience. We also had two classes perform their

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 20/6 - Yr 5 Kew Gardens Trip (5C and 5M)
- 21/6 - Yr 6 Sports Day (9.00am start)
- 21/6 - Yr 5 Sports Day (1.00pm start)
- 22/6 - Yr 3 Sports Day (9.00am start)
- 22/6 - Yr 4 Sports Day (1.00pm start)
- 22/6 - Yr 5 Residential Performance - 6pm
- 24/6 - 4M Class Assembly (1.30 and 2.45)
- 29/6 - Yr 4 Residential Performance - 6pm
- 30/6 - Yr 6 Quad Kids Competition
- 1/7 - Elmbridge Schools Choir Festival

## THIS WEEK

It's been a very warm and very busy week at Cleves with so much going on - the Year 6 residential, Year 5 trips to Kew Gardens, Year 4 Outdoor Learning and Year 3 visits to infant schools to name just a few things that have taken place.

There was also the biggest sporting competition of the year - District Sports! Speaking of sport, you will also see in this newsletter that we've once again been awarded the Platinum School Games award.

wonderful assemblies. 4S and 4C have worked very hard and we were all extremely proud of them!

What another fantastic week it has been in **Year 5!** In literacy, the children have worked hard to edit and uplevel their pirate dialogues and they all enjoyed learning some 'pirate language' which they used in their hot tasks. Due to the Kew Gardens school trip, the children have returned to whole class maths for 3 lessons this week where they have continued to develop their understanding of fractions. We have been learning all about volcanoes in Topic and the children loved watching videos of volcanic eruptions. On Wednesday and Thursday this week, 5B, 5F, 5G and 5T enjoyed a wonderful school trip to Kew Gardens and did very well despite the challenging heat! I know 5C and 5M are looking forward to going next week. This week has also seen the Year 5 children learning and practising their class poems and songs for our residential performance next Wednesday. They are coming along very nicely and we are excited to perform them soon! What a week it has been for our **Year 6** children and staff! For those at school, the children have had the opportunity to let their creative juices flow making lots of props for our year 6 production, as well as doing lots of other fun activities like mountain biking. Their week culminated with a fantastic trip to the Guildford Spectrum. Those of us who went to Liddington, we had an amazing week taking part in so many incredible activities like raft building, abseiling, Jacob's Ladder and an obstacle course. The children showed courage and resilience when faced with new challenges. Many happy memories have been made. Well done to all the Year 6 children for showing excellent behaviour this week and a huge thank you to all the parents and staff who organised and/or helped with this week, it couldn't have happened without you! Have a wonderful weekend.

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## SPORTS NEWS

Our annual sports day this year take place on the following dates:

- Year 6 - Tuesday 21st June (am)
- Year 5 - Tuesday 21st June (pm)
- Year 3 - Wednesday 22nd June (am)

- Year 4 - Wednesday 22nd June (pm)

Your child will require a coloured t-shirt to wear to match their house colour.

- Arundel - Red
- York - Yellow
- Warwick - Green
- Windsor - Blue

Parents are very welcome to come and watch with the morning events starting at 9.00am and the afternoon events starting at 1.00pm.

We look forward to seeing you!

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## PLATINUM SPORTS MARK AWARD

We are delighted to announce that we, Cleves School, have once again achieved the School Games Platinum Mark Award for the 2021/22 academic year. The highest award possible.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward and recognise school's engagement (provision and uptake) in the School Games against a national benchmark and to celebrate keeping young people active, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of physical activity and school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our events possible. We are committed to using the School Games to try and engage those young people who haven't previously been active or represented our school and to try and ensure that all our students have a positive experience and want to try out new activities beyond school too in our community. At Cleves, we believe in the power of physical activity and school sport as a school and give opportunities to those young people that need it most either as a participant, leader, official or volunteer.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas linked to the five School Games outcomes and we are pleased that the hard work of

everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

Congratulations!



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## SPORTS NEWS

### District Sports

Tuesday saw the biggest sporting event of the year - District Sports. We entered two teams into the competition which saw nearly 80 children represent the school, some for the first time.

Unfortunately the team was without our Year 6 athletes who were on their residential trip which removed the possibility of winning overall. However, there were some exceptional performances from those taking part and it was a day that was thoroughly enjoyed by all. It was great to see these big events back on again after a three year absence.

Our teams finished 8th and 12th overall out of 15 teams which considering a quarter of our team was missing was very pleasing indeed.

Congratulations to everyone who took part, you were amazing and we are all very proud of you!



### Year 5/6 Cricket League

With the year 6's on their residential, we sent a year 5 team to participate in the 3rd round of the local cricket league.

It was an evening of mixed emotions with one win and one loss. Our first match against a very strong Thames Ditton outfit was a great learning experience and gave us a few targets to work on. We scored 231 runs but felt we could have done better. In our second match, vs CFS, we produced a much better batting performance scoring 245 runs and coming out on top. A very enjoyable evening's cricket with many lessons learned.

**Squad:** Colin, Harry, Ira, Marissa, Megan Rory, Rosie and Tom

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## CLEVES SCHOOL SELF EVALUATION SURVEY - PARENTS

All children should have brought home a letter regarding our annual self evaluation survey. It can either be returned as a paper copy or you can email your feedback to Mr Hodges [chodges@cleves.co.uk](mailto:chodges@cleves.co.uk). Please find a link to the letter below. It can also be found on the website.

<https://www.cleves.co.uk/assets/Cleves-School-Self-Evaluation-Survey-parents-2.pdf?vid=3>

# GAP CLUB SUMMER CARNIVAL



## INTERNET SAFETY

Twitch is a livestreaming service which tends to focus on gaming. Users can publicly broadcast their gameplay and commentary online for other users to watch. It's a community-driven platform where viewers can support their favourite streamers' channels through PayPal donations, "Bits" and more. Each streamer or group creates their own community for fans to interact with each other. Twitch has more than 15 million daily active users and includes non-gaming topics such as music, cooking and art. Anyone can create a channel to livestream or watch videos.

In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as inappropriate content, private chat rooms and strangers.

To view this online guide, please click on the image below.



We are pleased to present our Summer campaign theme of 'Carnival' this year thanks to our newly appointed pupil play consultant team. The idea is a big one but that's not stopped GAP Club before so we're putting a call out for your support.

We are planning lots of fun-filled carnival games and would love to be able to have prizes every day for the kids to win. That's where you come in. If you have any old/unused but good condition items that you're looking to get rid of but could still have some use for someone else then please do donate it to us. The following types of items would be great:

- bags of sweets
- books
- games
- small cuddly toys
- party bag type toys

Any donations will be very gratefully received.

Many thanks  
GAP Club Pupil Play Consultant team