

Cleves School

Newsletter - 17/11/23



fantastic job and so many of the visiting parents were complimentary about the school but particularly our pupils. Thank you to those children for doing a terrific job.

It was also great to see children coming in for mufti wearing green in support of WWF.

Have a good weekend!

It's been another busy week in **Year 3** and we have started our new literacy topic linked to Shakespeare's play, *The Tempest*. Pupils enjoyed watching clips of the play as well as acting out scenes including the storm and shipwreck. We have also been revisiting creating simple sentences using a subject and verb as well as extending these with noun phrases (using adjectives) and adverbs. Next week, we will be creating similes and using alliteration to add further detail and planning and writing a description of the storm. We have also been creating artwork linked to *The Tempest* and have been making seascapes using different media including paint and tissue paper. In maths, we have been focusing on the 4 times table and learning both the multiplication and division facts associated with this. We have also been applying our knowledge to solve problems and develop our reasoning skills. In whole class guided reading, we have started the story, 'The Owl who was afraid of the dark' by Jill Tomlinson and have been exploring the characters and language used. Our RE lesson this week has focused on how art helps Christians to worship. We have been looking at examples of architecture, including churches and cathedrals, as well as stained glass windows and religious music in a variety of genres and discussing what they communicate about God and how Christians might use these to help them worship. Our PSHE lessons have been linked to anti-bullying week and we have been talking about what bullying is and different examples as well as the role of the bystander and what they can do if they experience or see bullying. Another great week in **Year 4**! We have written our persuasive letters to the environmental secretary demanding action to protect our River Thames from

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 20/11 - Yr 6 Boys Football Tournament
- 21/11 - Yr 6 Boys Football vs St Ann's Heath
- 23/11 - 4L/4M Science Museum Trip
- 23/11 - Yr 6 Girls' Football Tournament
- 24/11 - 6C Class Assembly (1.30 and 2.45pm)
- 27/11 - Yr 5/6 Girls Football vs Stepgates
- 28/11 - Yr 6 B Team vs Ongar Place
- 2/12 - Christmas Fair (2pm - 4pm)
- 6/12 - Yr 4 Nativity at 6pm
- 7/12 - Yr 3 Nativity at 6pm
- 13/12 - Christmas Lunch

THIS WEEK

This week it has been anti bullying week at Cleves which started with odd socks day on Monday. It was great to see so many children coming in proudly showing off their odd socks! It is a good way of celebrating what makes us all unique! This year's theme is 'make a noise about bullying'. In class the children have spent their PSHE lessons learning that everyone has a role in stopping bullying from taking place, particularly the bystander - someone who is not directly affected by bullying but sees it happening. This year's theme also explores what we mean by 'banter' and the role it can play in bullying.

On Tuesday evening, it was lovely to see so many children coming back to showcase the school at our Year 2 Prospective Parents evening. They all did a

litter and sewage pollution. We have learnt all about pollution and the effects of pollution in Geography, comparing the River Thames to the Ganges. In maths, we have started our multiplication and division unit, beginning with our 3 and 6 times tables. In science, we have conducted an exciting experiment, exploring which drinks cause most damage to our teeth. We also looked at the importance of looking after our teeth and what damages too much sugar can cause! We are really enjoying our badminton unit in PE and have been working on our catching in Active 30:30.

In **Year 5** this week the children have finished their narrative that we have been building up to over the last couple of weeks - there were some really interesting twists! We have started a new unit in maths on area and perimeter. We have been reminding ourselves what perimeter is and then how to work it out for a composite shape. Our science lesson this week involved another exciting experiment where we explored how we could change the rate of dissolving by changing certain variables. Within computing we have been using the iPads to continue to make and edit a movie - there appears to be a few directors among us! As part of our whole school anti-bullying week we have been going over this within our PSHE lesson. Another great week in **Year 6!** Pupils have continued writing their descriptive narrative, interspersing description and action with SNoT. They have also planned their own ending to the story - some ideas for the ending are positive whilst some pupils have decided to not be so positive! In Maths, we have continued with our unit on fractions, this week completing multiplying and division of fractions. Well done to all! In French, Year 6 have learnt about clothing and revised numbers and colours. In Science, pupils have continued the topic of Evolution and Inheritance by looking at genes and those that they inherit from their birth parents. We ended our week with an excellent assembly by 6A and an inter house Games competition.

SPORTS NEWS

We will provide a fuller round up in our end of half term sports newsletter but here is a roundup of events taking place this week.

Girls U11 Football - County Cup

On Monday, the girls' football team opened this season's Surrey County Cup campaign with a home fixture against St Dunstons, Woking. After a nervy start by both sides, Cleves soon took control and scored 3 quick goals. Increasing in confidence, the girls showed some excellent passing play and went into half time 5-0 up. With a focus on defense in the second half, we controlled the game excellently, conceding an unlucky penalty but scoring another 2 for a 7-1 final score. Well done to Rachel, Abi, Eva, Belle, Martha, Bailey, Myla, Olive and Betsy.

Year 5/6 Hockey Festival

Congratulations to the 25 year 5/6 pupils who took part in a hockey festival on Thursday at Ashford Hockey Club. The pupils took part in a circuit of hockey drills before playing a mini tournament against St Charles. Despite the rain it was a great afternoon!



Year 5/6 AFC Wimbledon Football Tournament

Huge congratulations to the Year 5/6 boys who played in the first round of the AFC Wimbledon tournament on Tuesday. This tournament is the first competition that eventually ends up with two teams playing at Wembley in May. Today we had four group games which saw us draw 0v0 and then win 7v0, 10v0 and 7v0. Then, in the knockout stage, we won 6v0 which saw us reach the next stage of the tournament which will be held in January at AFC

Wimbledon's training ground. It's fair to say the football on show from the Cleves boys was more than impressive - a great combination of team work, commitment and determination. Well done to all involved!

ECO NEWS



Recycling in the UK saves around 18 million tonnes of CO2 a year, which is the same as almost 17 million people switching from petrol to electric cars! However, out of the 70% of plastic packaging that is recyclable, only 50% is actually recycled.

WWF MUFTI DAY

Thank you to all the children for participating in our WWF Mufti Day. We raised an amazing £718.83!

4LG made some special green heart animal badges in honour of WWF, the charity focus for our Eco Mufti Day. Details of how to make them at home: https://www.wwf.org.uk/sites/default/files/2019-03/WWF_GreenHeart_Activity_Sheet.pdf



SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

The PTA will be holding a second hand uniform sale next Friday 24th November from 15h15 - 16h00 on the astroturf between Year 5 & Year 6. If you have any clean and good condition school uniform you wish to donate, please hand it in to Reception.

INTERNET SAFETY GUIDE

Since 2018, TikTok has been one of the most popular platforms for sharing online videos as well as engaging with digital creators and influencers. With a plethora of content, tools, and communities, our revised 2023 TikTok Checklist serves as a comprehensive guide for supporting users with navigating the platform.

Please click on the image below to read the guide.

