

Cleves School

Newsletter - 18/10/24



opportunity for you to talk about your child's learning, targets and how they have settled into school. If you have already had a SEND parent consultation, you do not need to attend as the subject matter is very similar. Meetings will be held in classes. If you have not booked your appointment, please do so by Monday morning.

Have a restful weekend.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 23/10 - Y5 Hampton Court Trip - 5H & 5N
- 23/10 & 24/10 - Parent Consultation Evenings
- 25/10 - 6A Class Assembly 1:30 and 2:45
- 3/11 - PTA Fireworks Event
- 4/11 - INSET Day - School closed to pupils
- 8/11 - Y3 Mini Olympics
- 12/11 - Y4 Science Museum trip - 4L, 4M, 4R
- 15/11 - Mufti Day in support of Great Ormond Street Hospital
- 19/11 - Prospective Parents' Evening
- 22/11 - Y4 Science Museum Trip - 4W, 4E, 4FA

THIS WEEK

October marks Black History Month, where we celebrate the diversity of our community and the significant impact that Black people have achieved, specifically in Britain. This year's theme is 'Reclaiming Narratives.' All year groups will be integrating learning about Black History Month and significant British Black people in their learning throughout October, however we have also had an assembly this week to celebrate and draw attention to the importance of Black History Month, linking it to our school values of inclusiveness and respect. Throughout the year, we will be identifying how we ensure that our curriculum offer reflects the diversity of our community.

Next week, we look forward to welcoming you to our Pupil Parent Consultation Evenings. This is an

Another action packed week in **Year 3!** Children have been enjoying reading 'Fantastic Mr Fox' in Literacy lessons. We have been thinking about how to make our sentences exciting by adding adjectives and adverbs to our descriptions of the greedy farmers. We used thesauruses to find better words for any boring verbs we came across such as 'went', 'got' and 'ate'. In maths we have been using different methods to add and subtract two and three digit numbers. The column method, a number line and a place value grid are three of the methods we have been using to solve our number sentences. We have been exploring animal prints and texture in our art lessons, using Salvador Dali's 'Swans Reflecting Elephants' as our inspiration. In Science we have investigated the forces of gravity and air resistance and how they affect the motion of objects. Topic this week has seen us research and create fact files on some of the physical features found across the UK, such as Ben Nevis, The Giants Causeway and Loch Ness. **Year 4** have had a super week. In Art, the children have enjoyed painting their water colour detail onto their previously printed canvas bags and they are looking marvellous! When we come back after half term, the children will start sewing their canvas to make a tote bag. In Science this week, the children have explored condensation as part of our 'States of Matter' unit and have participated excellently with their learning. The children have finished off their 'Warning Stories' this week and have written them up in their Special Writing Books ready to be read at Parent Consultations next week! We are looking forward to our day of outdoor learning next week and the children are getting excited for the

activities that we have planned for them. As always, the Year 4 Team wish you a lovely relaxing weekend.

Year 5 has had a busy week with two classes going on the Hampton Court Palace trip. They learnt about life during the Tudor period and had a chance to walk in the footsteps of royalty, such as Henry VIII and Jane Seymour. They also learnt about the life of the many staff who worked there, which links to our new unit of literacy. Children are currently writing a biography about one of Henry VIII's wives and will soon be writing their own Tudor spy story. In Science, children have carried out an experiment on electrical conductivity by testing different materials in a simple circuit. We have almost completed our unit of RE on Christians and salvation. We are also finishing our unit on dance, where children have created their own routines in the style of the galliard and pavane as well as experimented with modern dance routines. This week in **Year 6** we have thoroughly enjoyed delving into the world of Shakespeare through studying Macbeth. We learned about the characters and plot through a Whoosh and are now focusing on the language and features of the Witches spell 'Double, double, toil and trouble'. We have also been busy filming our Pickpocket news reports, using the green screen. In maths, we have continued with our multiplication and division unit; this week focusing on the bus stop and long division methods. Finally, we have finished the week on a high with 6TS, 6F and 6P enjoying their Outdoor Learning Day and 6B, 6A and 6C experiencing life as a Victorian child.

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

A polite request that under 'no' circumstances are parents to use the staff car park at any time during the school day or after school hours, even if collecting from an after-school club. The car park is strictly for STAFF ONLY. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

We are having an increasing number of children coming into school without a booked lunch or a packed lunch. 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.

SNACKS

Please remember we have asked that neither snacks or packed lunches should not contain nuts or sesame, which includes hummus. It is a great healthy snack but we have children severely allergic to sesame.

If your child would like a snack at breaktime it must only be fruit or vegetables.

GAME CARDS

Please note that children are not allowed to bring in game cards, such as Pokemon cards or Panini cards. They often get lost or damaged, which is very upsetting for the children. Please ensure that these cards are left at home and do not come into school in their bags.

PE/GAMES

Biathlon Results

Further to last week's newsletter where I shared success at the recent Biathlon held in Guildford, I was pleased to award James (1st Year 6), Jenson (1st Year 3), Freddie (2nd Year 3) and Finley (3rd Year 3) with their medals this morning. Congratulations! Here is a photo of the four of them.



Year 5/6 Hockey Champions

Huge congratulations to our Year 5/6 hockey team who took part in the Elmbridge and Runnymede district festival at Ashford Hockey club yesterday. The afternoon consisted of a skills rotation before a round robin style tournament which saw one of the Cleves team win all but one of their games. It was a great afternoon of hockey - well done everyone!



YEAR 6 SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS CLUB

We are excited to announce that the Sportshall Athletics club will start for pupils in Year 6 on Thursday 7th November. This will take place on a Thursday morning from 7.50 to 8.30am in the sports hall. This is one of the most popular and well loved clubs we run in Year 6, so I hope your child is able to attend.

To sign up for this club, please [click here](#).

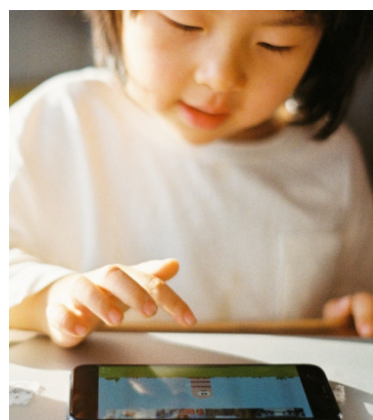
APPOINTMENTS

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.

INTERNET SAFETY GUIDE

Last week's guide explored smart TVs and how to talk with your child about their device. This week's explores phones. It includes conversation starters and top tips.

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



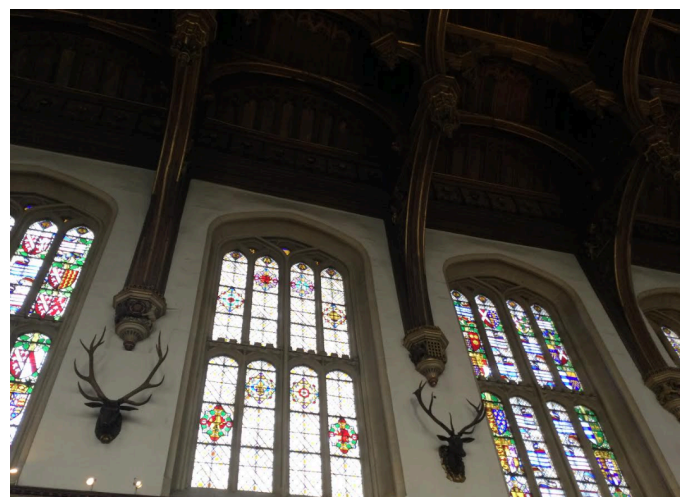
HOUSE POINTS

Please see below the accumulative house points for this term:

Years	Accumulative total
Windsor	9941
Warwick	10616
York	9445
Arundel	10443

PHOTOS

Y5 Hampton Court Trip



FOOD HYGIENE RATING - PABULUM

Congratulations to Stacey Maslin, Kitchen Manager and Team on receiving from Elmbridge Borough Council a 5* Award Food Hygiene Rating. A huge well done!

LOST PROPERTY

There is already a collection of lost property building up, most of which can be found in the large plastic boxes near the GAP entrance.

Could we ask that all parents ensure items are labelled and check that your children have the correct clothing as we are aware of some items accidentally getting swapped.

VACANCIES

Learning Support Assistant

We currently have a vacancy for a Learning Support Assistant. If you know anyone who might be interested, parent/carer, a neighbour, friends or even a gap year student, please share the link below.

Please see link below for further information and details on how to apply.

<https://www.eteach.com/jobs?empNo=14092>

