

Cleves School

Newsletter - 19/01/24



I hear it was an amazing evening with the children representing the school wonderfully! Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the event, especially Ms Tao! See below for further details.

Just a reminder that lessons start promptly at 8:50 so please ensure that your child arrives in readiness for the 8:45 register.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

It's been another busy week in **Year 3** and we have started our new literacy unit on instructions. We have been looking at examples of instructions and identifying the key features before adding in missing features in other texts. Pupils also thoroughly enjoyed our lesson acting out the stages of the mummification process (see photos) and will be using the knowledge gained in this lesson next week to write instructions on how to create a mummy. Thank you for the donations of toilet rolls - they were much appreciated! In maths, we have been revisiting column addition and subtraction as well as how we can use rounding to help us estimate answers. In RE, we have begun our new topic, What's the Bible's 'big story' – and why is it like treasure for Christians? Pupils have been learning which stories are in the Old Testament and the New Testament and considering whether the Bible is one big story, many stories or both. In DT, we have started our cookery unit and have been learning about the Eatwell plate and the different foods we should be eating to have a healthy and balanced diet. We have also been learning about falafel and will be making our own falafel in the next few weeks. Please could parents/carers have a look at the ingredients list on the weekend homework and let teachers know of any allergies so we can check against our lists in school. Thank you. The Spring term is in full flow in **Year 4**. We are putting our Science knowledge from the Autumn term into good use in literacy by writing explanation texts on the digestive system. After a week of multiplication in maths, we are moving on to different strategies of division - please continue to encourage the children to practise their times tables on Tackling Tables. In Science we continue to investigate Electricity and this week we explored what materials are electrical conductors and which are insulators. We were so impressed with the quality of homework the children produced; the city

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 22/1 - Girls Football vs Manorcroft
- 23/1 - Yr 5/6 Boys Football vs Burhill
- 24/1 - Girls Football vs Hurst Park
- 25/1 - Yr 5/6 Boys Football vs Grovelands
- 26/1 - 5S Class Assembly (1.30 & 2.45pm)
- 30/1 - Yr 5/6 Boys Wimbledon Football Tournament
- 1/2 - Y6 Boys Football vs St Paul's
- 2/2 - 5H Class Assembly (1.30 & 2.45pm)
- 2/2 - Y5 Girls Football vs Barrow Hedges
- 6/2 - Y5/6 Netball Match vs Ashley
- 7/2 - Boys Y5A vs Y6B
- 8/2 - Y5/6 Boys Football Festival
- 8/2 - Swimming Gala at ACS Cobham
- 8/2 - Y6 Netball vs Bell Farm
- 9/2 - 4LG Class Assembly (1.30 & 2.45pm)
- 9/2 - Y5/6 Girls Football vs Ashley
- 12/2 - Half Term

THIS WEEK

It's been a chilly week this week! It looks like next week will be warmer. It's been another busy week with lots of matches and excitingly, Young Voices!

states travel brochures were very creative and a wonderful demonstration of the children's understanding. This week we used this understanding to learn how Athens developed as a city state and how democracy started. In PSHE we concluded our discussions regarding community and focussed on how to show compassion for those in need and the shared responsibility for caring for them. In RE we have studied the significance of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday.

In **Year 5** this week we have finished our Rollercoaster poems and started a new Literacy unit on this term's book: The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman. The children will be writing a 'missing' chapter to detail an adventure the main characters have in the jungle. In Science, we have been finding out why we experience seasons. Ask us and see if we can explain it to you! We have also been researching some of the key figures in the early part of the Space Race so you might want to quiz us on those as well. In Art this week, we have been working on our Andy Warholl Campbell Soup can labels and in Maths we are starting a unit of work on fractions. **Year 6** have been hard at work this week. We have been looking at the importance of internet safety in Computing and as a result we have become 'internet legends'. We have continued looking at plastic in Geography, with focus on the positives and negatives of plastic use, but mainly on the damaging impacts plastic pollution has on the environment. We have also become scientists by participating in some fun experiments to look at reversible and irreversible changes in Science.

ECO NEWS

Animals prey on over one billion birds every year. If you can, keep your pet indoors, or give it a bell or colourful collar that can alert birds of danger.



SPORTS NEWS

Year 6 Dodgeball Competition

Last Friday saw the annual district dodgeball competition which took place at Cleves. We entered two teams following a successful club in the autumn term. Both teams played exceptionally well

and on another day would have probably seen one of the teams come away as overall winners. In the end we had to settle for 2nd and 3rd but nonetheless it was a great afternoon and lovely to see the progress our pupils have made with their dodgeball. Well done to St Cuthberts who were overall winners.

Surrey Sportshall Competition

Last Sunday, thirteen Cleves pupils joined others from Grovelands, Bell Farm, St Charles and Cardinal Newman in a sportshall athletics competition against other athletic clubs in Surrey. This is an annual event which sees joint collaboration between our local schools. Having only spent just over an hour training together they did exceptionally well! The boys were runners up and the girls were overall winners - a brilliant achievement as they were coming up against the strongest athletes in Surrey. Well done to Tyler, Oliver, Harry, Luke, Daniel, Sam, Joe, Martha, Bailey, Olive, Eva, Belle and Abi. We now await news to see if any will be chosen to represent Surrey at the forthcoming regional event.

Y5 Boys Football A Team

On Monday, the Year 5 Boys A Team were back in action versus St Pauls. The Cleves team made the journey to their school to play in our next league fixture. The game began with high intensity and Cleves dominated the possession. Cleves managed to find the back of the net early on, forcing the play into St Paul's half. The game continued in a similar way for the majority of the first half and Cleves found another three openings to make it 4-0 at half time. The second half kicked off and Cleves went straight in for more. After some delightful passing and moving the ball as a team around the pitch, Cleves pushed on and found another 4 goals! The final whistle went and Cleves finished with an 8-0 victory. A huge well done to the boys on what was a very convincing team performance.

Y5 & Y6 Girls Football

On Monday, the Year 5 and Year 6 girls played their second league match of the season, which was at home to Bell Farm. Despite dominating the play, Cleves struggled to break down the resolute Bell Farm defense. Eventually, drive and determination saw Cleves lead 2-0, courtesy of Betsy and Bailey. The girls worked well together, passing the ball effectively and making the most of the space, but Bell Farm continued to dig deep. In the closing minutes of the game, Betsy added a third before

Myla wrapped up the 3 points. The final score being Cleves 4, Bell Farm 0.

The girls move forward to the County finals this Friday, which is being played at Meadowbank Football Stadium, in Dorking. We wish them lots of success and look forward to reporting how they got on, in next week's newsletter.

Year 6 Boys Football

On Tuesday this week the Year 6 boys team were in Surrey County Cup action as they played Brookwood on the field at Cleves. On a very bumpy pitch and in difficult conditions, they played extremely well, ending up 3 v 0 winners. They now progress to the semi finals of this competition as we head into the business end of the season. Well done boys!

HOUSE POINTS

Please see below accumulative house points for the Spring term:

Years	Accumulative Total
Windsor	6268
Arundel	6624
York	7268
Warwick	9274

TRAVEL NEWS

Travel Plan

Dear all, I know that the children are very excited at the return of the Travel Tracker and have been recording their journeys to school.

This week the Champions are Year 4 with a score of 485, Year 3 in second place 668, Year 5 in 3rd 656. Please keep up the active journeys to school.

Online Travel Shop

In order to assist students with their visibility on the way to school we sell a number of items in our online travel shop.

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.

MUSIC NEWS

Christmas Concert Reminiscing

There were so many successful Christmas Concerts where children took part from Cleves but there was one small group of children that really showcased the school in the highest possible way. Only 16 children could make a choir concert with the adult choir, Walton Voices the day after we broke up. They were exceptional! You would never have known there were just 16 of them singing, it sounded like 60! Mr. Kilhams was so impressed with their individual performance and when they joined with the adult choir to perform to a full church. I know it seems ages ago but we never got a chance to properly congratulate these children.

YOUNG VOICES INSPIRES ONCE AGAIN!

This week saw our Senior Choir take part in the incredible Young Voices concert at The O2 Arena. We will give a more detailed report next week but it is safe to say all children went away inspired and uplifted. It was an unforgettable experience for all who went! Below are three photos, one of which, sees Cleves, the Cleves banner and only, Miss Honey, from the West End show, Matilda!!! She only performed with the choir for one night and we were lucky enough to be that night! We were extremely lucky with our position this year as well being right next to the stage!

A massive thank you for all the staff and parents who helped make the day such a success. More to follow next week.

INTERNET SAFETY GUIDE

This week's guide is all about Digital wellbeing. It has advice, conversation starters as well as tasks that can be completed together.

Please click on the image below to read the guide.

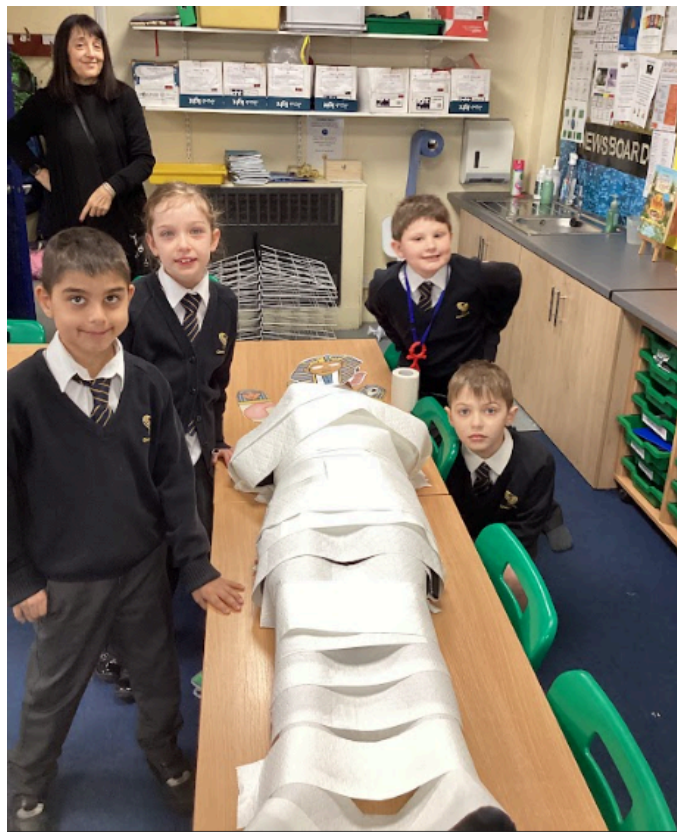
Y3 Class Mummification



THIS WEEK IN PICTURES...

Please see below this week's pictures.

Christmas Concert Reminiscing





Dodgeball



Surrey Sportshall Competition



Young Voices

