

# Cleves School

Newsletter - 28/04/23



It's been another busy week in **Year 3** and we have continued to enjoy our literacy unit on the legend of St George and the dragon. Pupils planned and then wrote their hot task, recounting the events of the story from the perspective of St George, writing in the first person and using really effective adjectives and powerful verbs to describe the key events. In maths, we have been continuing our unit on fractions and have been focusing on ordering unit and non-unit fractions as well as adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator. In science, we have continued our topic on light and have been learning how shadows are formed as well as using key terms such as opaque, transparent and translucent. In our topic lesson this week, we have been learning about the Tropics and labelling the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn as well as the Equator and Northern and Southern Hemispheres on a world map. Over this half term, classes will also be following the LegoWeDo programme by making Lego models and then programming them to move. Pottery, shields, helmet making, cooking, climbing crates, achieving the nightline and rolling down the hill on a buggy (we made) is what the **Year 4** children in school have completed this week. We have enjoyed every day and every day we have managed to learn a new skill, whether that be in the kitchen, hanging from a rope, making knots to secure our buggies and having the best time whilst doing so. We have had the most amazing week at Hooke Court! It has been such an incredible experience and we cannot wait to tell you all about it. We started off building Viking ships and racing them in the lake - we even lit one on fire! We had a barn dance, went on a beautiful bluebell walk and a few of us got married at an Anglo-Saxon wedding around a campfire! We built shelters, played tribal games and spent the day living like the Anglo-Saxons and Norsemen; cooking, weaving, making jewellery and using a very interesting cement to build walls! Did you know we're not meant to say Viking because it's technically a doing word? We learnt all about rockets and watched them launch into the air! It was a truly wonderful week, where we showed kindness, inclusion and worked together as a team!

In **Year 5** this week we have continued with our narrative creating character through description based on Treasure Island. The children have created their own evil/fearsome/menacing pirate

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 5/5 - Coronation Celebrations
- 5/5 - 3D Class Assembly (1.30 and 2.45pm)
- 8/5 - Coronation Bank Holiday
- 9/5 - Yr 6 SATs Week
- 9/5 - Yr 5 Residential Trip Departs
- 12/5 - 3M Class Assembly (1.30 and 2.45pm)
- 15/5 - Yr 5/6 Cricket League Game
- 16/5 - Yr 6 Boys Cricket Competition
- 18/5 - Yr 4-6 Girls Biathlon
- 19/5 - 3H Class Assembly (1.30 and 2.45pm)
- 19/5 - Yr 5/6 Girls Cricket Competition
- 23/5 - Fete in the Field (5.00 - 7.30pm)
- 25/5 - Spring Concert (6.00 - 8.00pm)
- 26/5 - 4C Class Assembly (1.30 and 2.45pm)

## THIS WEEK

It's been a busy week at school with our year 6 pupils confidently navigating through their mock SATs and our year 4 pupils enjoying their trip to Hooke Court and for those who remained at school - Walton Firs. We have the first of two long weekends ahead of us in a half term which is traditionally always very busy. Next week, we have the Coronation celebrations to look forward to and then after that the Year 5 residential trip, Fete in the Field, the Spring Concert and many sporting competitions.

Have a good weekend!

and introduced them into a scene where they confront Jim Hawkins. We have continued to prepare for our Isle of Wight residential with an information text on the Needles and Alum Bay and have had an assembly giving us some more information about the trip. Children will bring home a leaflet today containing some of this information. In Science, we have continued to investigate levers, pulleys and gears and in Computing have been developing our skills creating Quizzes using Google Forms. And finally, in DT, we have learned some more about the design of bridges ahead of the testing stage which will take place next week. A huge well done to **Year 6** this week for their sensible behaviour and resilience whilst completing Mock SATs week. Thank you to all the parents/carers for ensuring the children arrived on time with the resources they needed for the week. All the students worked incredibly hard and showed how well prepared they are for SATs week in a couple of weeks. As well as Mock SATs, the children have continued to write their third person narratives linked to Friend or Foe and reviewing the use of active and passive voice in PaG lessons. During maths lessons we have been studying angles, including identifying missing angles using protractors and knowledge of angles. Not only that but some classes have had a very exciting start to our new Science unit of 'The Circulatory System' by making blood! While others have moved on to looking at the heart. In Topic, we have been plotting World War II on a timeline and identifying other significant events in history. In PE we have started our athletics unit and in games we had fun competing in our inter house competition. After such a busy week, we wish you all a restful long weekend.

## CORONATION - FRIDAY 5TH MAY



With the Coronation fast approaching, we would like to do something special at Cleves to mark this momentous event.

Next Friday 5th May we are asking all children to come to school dressed as Royalty - this can be a historical figure, a fictional figure or one of our current day monarchy. Think Cleopatra to Cinderella, Mufasa to Arthur. Feel free to get creative, however do not feel that you need to go out and buy anything new - Prince George and Princess Charlotte are normally seen in just smart clothing (No football kits please).

During the day each year group will be doing a parade where the children will have the opportunity to show each other their wonderful costumes. Lunch will have a fun street party atmosphere and during the afternoon each class will be taking part in creative activities linked to coronation.

## ECO NEWS

### This week's Eco Tip from the Eco Team:

**Energy:** Only boil water that you need when making a cup of tea. Do not fill the kettle to the top.



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.

## TRAVEL NEWS

### Travel News

As the Summer term gets into full swing more children are choosing Active Travel methods. Please ensure that they are thinking about their safety on their journey to school.

So far this term we have completed 4893 journeys into school with 79% of these being Active choices - let's see if we can break through the 80% barrier in the next few weeks.

Year 5 has led the way with 1513 journeys with Year 3 in second with 1406 journeys.

## **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.

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## **SPORTS NEWS**

### **Year 5 Girls Surrey Cup Final**

On Friday 21st April, the Year 5 Girls Football team travelled to the Dorking Wanderers FC ground for the final of the Surrey County Cup against Rutherford House from Balham. As to be expected for a final, the game was tough from the off and the majority of the first half was spent facing strong pressure in our half. The girls were determined and tough, but eventually conceded a goal towards the end of a half. Shortly after we conceded a penalty leading to entering half time 2-0 down. During the second half, the pressure continued, but the girls were able to make more sustained forays into their opponent's half and had some good chances. Meanwhile, at the other end, our keeper made several fantastic saves to keep us competitive. The game ended with the same score and the girls were disappointed to lose but realised that they were up against a strong opposition (several academy players - one from Chelsea!) and were proud of their efforts. Well done to Abi N, Rachel W, Eva D, Belle A, Martha D, Izzy S, Olive R, Betsy A and Bailey B for a fantastic match. Thank you as well to the strong Cleves support in the stands!

### **Year 4-6 Girls' Biathlon**

Notre Dame are hosting a biathlon on Thursday 18th May for girls in Years 4,5 and 6

This will take place after school from 3.45pm until 5.30pm

Year 4 girls will swim 50m and then run 600m whilst year 5/6 girls will swim 100m and then run 600m. The girls will come out of the pool after their swim, walk to the transition area where they will put on their school PE top and trainers and then complete the run.

It is a timed event as opposed to all the girls swimming/running against each other at the same time. It is a very relaxed and supportive event but the girls do need to be able to swim and run the above distance.

Places are open to 8 girls in each year group, so please can I ask you to complete the following form to express an interest in your child attending. The deadline for completing the form is Friday 5th May where I will then confirm if your child has been selected. Places may need to be drawn out of a hat if demand is high. The form can be found here - [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScsC16ZxEs71yqG-Lopq3HXRHbjUWv9nEsBIVa\\_4KVXS5PAug/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScsC16ZxEs71yqG-Lopq3HXRHbjUWv9nEsBIVa_4KVXS5PAug/viewform?usp=sf_link)

### **Lunchtime Clubs**

It's been great to see so many of our lunchtime clubs start up this week with more starting up next week. Please make sure your child is aware of the clubs they are attending and where they need to go. Thank you.

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## **INTERNET SAFETY GUIDE**

Recently rising in popularity among children and young people, Wizz is a social networking app that allows users to chat live with people from around the world. In similar fashion to a dating app, it facilitates conversations with people that users would not ordinarily meet – but of course, making connections to individuals online brings its own self-evident potential safety issues.

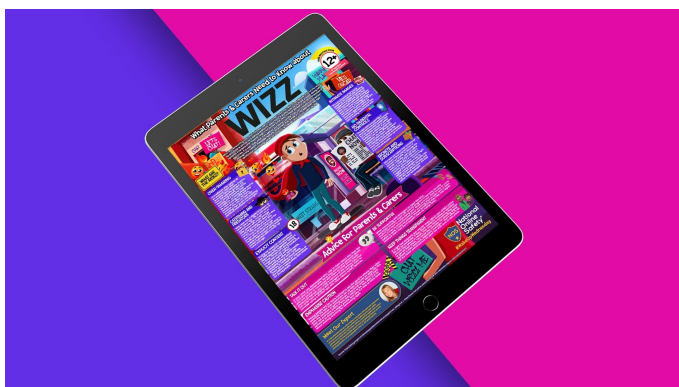
While Wizz makes use of face recognition technology to assess users' age and group them by



age group – but the software is far from perfect and there is no guarantee that some individuals won't attempt to exploit the app for sinister purposes. This guide examines Wizz in detail, identifying pitfalls that parents and carers should be aware of.

In the guide you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as catfishing, explicit content and "sextortion", and examines how trusted adults can take young people to avoid these possible threats.

Please click on the image below to read the guide.



## HOUSE POINTS

Warwick	2375
Arundel	2230
Windsor	2160
York	2034

## THIS WEEK IN PICTURES

This week we have pictures of the Y4 children's trip to Walton Firs.



## CONGRATULATIONS!

Well done to Edie Daley and Sophie Jenkins (pupils of Lauren Twilley), who took their piano exams recently.

Edie received a Distinction in her Grade 2 exam and Sophie received a Merit for her Grade 1. A very well done to both of you!

On Saturday 20th May William Y6 and his friend Xavi have organised a bike ride from Weybridge to London raise money for an amazing small charity that have helped their friend (and Xavi's cousin) Amelie and her family by creating amazing experiences for them to remember as a family. Well done William and Xavi!

If you would like to donate to his chosen charity please click on the link below  
<https://www.justgiving.com/page/xavi-will-charity-cycle>





