

Cleves School

Newsletter - 29/09/23



It also has been full of outdoor learning days and trips with Year 4 taking the short trip down to the River Thames and Year 5 building worm hotels. After last week's rain, we've been incredibly lucky with the weather. As you can see from the diary dates above, there is a lot coming up. Please particularly note the dates and times for the autumn term Parent Consultations. More details regarding how to book appointments will follow in the next couple of weeks.

Have a good weekend!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 4/10 - Harvest Service 5M (1.30 & 2.30pm)
- 6/10 - Harvest Collection
- 6/10 - Y6 Outdoor Learning - 6A 6C 6T
- 6/10 - Y6 Victorian Day - 6B 6P 6F
- 6/10 - 5N Class Assembly (1.30 & 2.45pm)
- 9/10 - Yr 3 Outdoor Learning (3D, 3J, 3H)
- 10/10 - World Mental Health Day
- 11/10 - Yr 5 Hampton Court Trip (5H & 5N)
- 12/10 - Yr 3 Outdoor Learning (3HA, 3HB, 3M)
- 12/10 - Yr 5/6 Girls Tag Rugby Festival
- 13/10 - Yr 5 Hampton Court Trip (5S & 5M)
- 13/10 - 6P Class Assembly (1.30 & 2.45pm)
- 13/10 - PTA Discos
- 16/10 - Yr 5/6 Cross Country Relays
- 18/10 - Yr 5 Hampton Court Trip (5F & 5J)
- 18/10 - Parent Consultations (4.00-8.00pm)
- 19/10 - Parent Consultations (4.00-6.00pm)
- 20/10 - Outdoor Learning - 6B 6P 6F
- 20/10 - Y6 Victorian Day - 6A 6C 6T

THIS WEEK

This week started off with smiles for our school photographer! Your child should have come home with a QR code for you to view these when they are released. If you register online, you will be notified when the release happens.

It's been another jam packed week in **Year 3** and we have started our new narrative literacy unit, 'Piper', which is focused on an animation about a seagull chick. We have been using this stimulus to revisit what is needed to create a simple sentence and have also been using adverbs to extend simple sentences. We will be continuing this unit next week and building up to writing a description about the seagull. In maths, we have continued our unit on place value and have been practising ordering numbers to 1000 as well as counting in jumps of 5, 50 and 100 from different starting points. In science, we have been learning about magnetism and pupils have been carrying out an investigation to compare the strength of different magnets. In RE, we have been looking at some of the different miracles of Jesus from the Bible and discussing what these might tell Christians about him and how he changed people's lives. In computing, we have been learning about the Google Drive and have been creating and naming different folders to help us organise our work as well as creating a Google Doc to practise our typing. An active week in **Year 4** with our river trips, which we thoroughly enjoyed. All classes had lovely weather for their trip along the River Thames. We put our geography knowledge to use to help us identify various features of the river. We took a ferry ride, observed how locks work and sketched both natural and physical features of the river side. In Literacy, we started our new unit, writing a playscript based on 'The boy who saved a bear'. We loved acting out different playscripts to help us understand playscripts and their features. In maths, we have learnt how to round numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000 and learnt to count in 25's. In RE, we

are continuing to learn about Sikhism, understanding what is important to Sikhs and how they worship.

For **year 5** this week, our outdoor learning days have been filled with worms and amazement. Most of the children got a little muddy and everyone learned a lot about these interesting creatures. Many also discovered other insects that live in the soil and foliage, all of which proved to be quite fascinating and entertaining. We've moved on to addition and subtraction in math, using both written and mental methods. For literacy, we're working on our second piece of writing on the Battle of Bosworth. This is written from the perspective of a soldier on the battlefield and is an engaging read that focuses on action, atmosphere and expressing emotions through description. This week in science, we continue to look at properties of materials with an experiment testing the stretchiness of different fabrics. Our art portraits are still being tweaked and enhanced, and many classes are now working on sketching their final piece. In PE, this week and next, children will find out more about Tudor traditions when they learn how to perform some Tudor style dances. This week in **Year 6** we have started our new 'Pick Pockets' literacy unit in which the children will write a news report about a pickpocketing incident. They will then be given the opportunity to film a collaborative report using the green screen. In maths, we have applied our knowledge of addition and subtraction to solving reasoning and word problems. We have continued learning about the British Empire, looking at why it was so successful and the benefits and negatives it produced. In art, the children have carefully and thoughtfully designed their repeated pattern tile based on the works of William Morris and in science we have learned how to classify plants. Our Victorian immersion days start next Friday with 6P, 6F and 6B while 6T, 6A and 6C have their outdoor learning day.

ECO NEWS

At Cleves we recycle batteries and pens. If you fancy helping save the planet, we would really appreciate it if you could grab some batteries from our recycling box in reception and drop them off to a local battery recycling point - the majority of supermarkets have them. Or grab some pens from the recycle box in the reception area and drop them off at a Ryman's stationery shop as they recycle them into new pens and new glue sticks!

INTERNET SAFETY GUIDE

Looking for advice on how to support your child in using a games console safely and responsibly? Read the guide and FAQs...

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



CONGRATULATIONS...

Congratulations to Kaan in 4W, who has passed a trial and has been accepted into the Chelsea FC Foundation. Well done - what an amazing achievement!