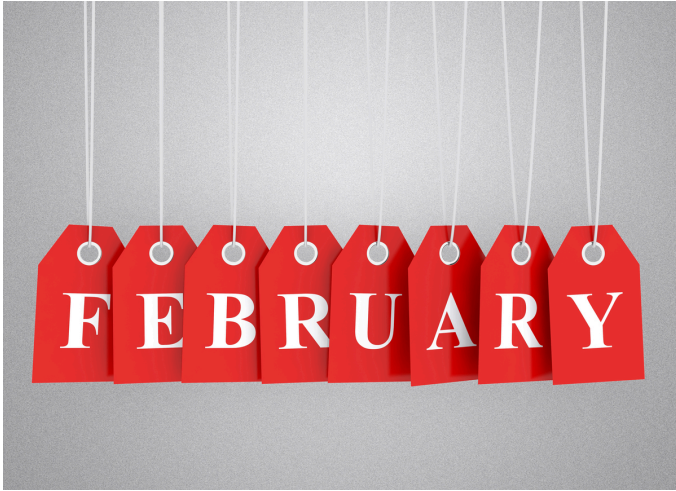


Cleves School

Newsletter - 02/02/24



DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 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

Welcome to February! Another exciting week with lots going on. Just a reminder that lessons start promptly at 8:50 so please ensure your child is in school with plenty of time to get organised before the school day. It really does make a difference to how the day goes. As you can see from reading below, there have been lots of fabulous learning this week. Have a good weekend!

It's been another jam packed week in **Year 3** and we have started our new literacy unit on Alternative Tales. We began with a discussion about traditional tales and looked at the stories of Jack and the Beanstalk and Little Red Riding Hood. We then discussed what was meant by an alternative tale and the idea of a twist or a different ending. Pupils had lots of fun thinking about and acting out some different endings to Little Red Riding Hood. We have also shared the story of 'Jim and the

Beanstalk' and focused on the personalities of the two main characters. Pupils also enjoyed comparing the traditional tale of 'The Princess and the Pea' with an alternative version. In maths, we have continued our work on length and have been adding and subtracting lengths as well as finding the perimeter of different shapes and objects, both through measuring them and using measurements given. In science, we have been carrying out an investigation to explore the impact of light, air, water and nutrients on plant growth and making observations to help us draw conclusions. One of the highlights of the week has to be our falafel making as part of our DT unit and pupils really enjoyed tasting some shop-bought falafel and comparing it to their own. Pupils had lots of fun following the recipe and drawing on their knowledge of instructions from our previous literacy unit. They collaborated really well in their groups and produced some delicious food! We'd like to say a huge thank you to the parent volunteers who came into help - we really do appreciate it!! This week in **Year 4** we have started our new literacy unit on The Iron Man. For the last four weeks we have been enjoying the story of The Iron Man during whole class reading sessions and now we are going to use the text to inspire diary writing. In maths we have also started a new unit on fractions. We started by reviewing what the children learned in year 3 and moving onto comparing and ordering fractions and studying tenths and hundredths. In science we are concluding our interesting Electricity unit with an investigation into what materials could be used to make switches. In topic we are continuing our study of the Ancient Greeks by discovering how our modern day language is inspired by Greek works. In RE we have moved onto understanding how Lent prepares Christians for Easter. So those families who will be enjoying pancakes during half term on Shrove Tuesday can ask their children to explain the meaning behind the Christian event.

In Year 5 this week we have finished our work on The Firemaker's Daughter and have proudly written up their 'missing' chapter in their Special Writing Book. In Science, the children have learnt about the geocentric and heliocentric models of the solar system and the contributions of Ptolemy, Copernicus and Galileo. In art, our Pop Art unit continues with some digital art on illusions which

will also form part of their homework. Our RE unit this term is called 'HINDU (SANATAN) DHARMA: Why should Hindus live a good life?' and in PSHE we have been looking at being part of a community. In preparation for our next literacy unit, we have been learning about the details of the Apollo 11 mission to land humans onto the moon. **Year 6** have had a creative, hands on and fun week! We have been looking at pizza instructions in Literacy, analysing the features of a recipe after we cooked our very own yummy pizzas in DT last week. In Science we completed an investigation to create an explosive rocket, looking at how sodium acetate, water and carbon dioxide react together. As more carbon dioxide is produced, there is a build up of pressure and this pressure causes the rocket to launch! And we have been coding Mindstorm robots in Computing.

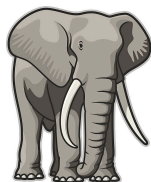
PTA

There is a PTA Meeting on Tuesday 6th February at 7pm. This will be held in the sportshall classroom. Everyone is welcome to come along.

ECO NEWS

This week's Eco Tip from the Eco Team:

Avoid souvenirs or other items made from animal parts like scales, teeth, feathers, tortoise shells, seashells, coral, and especially ivory. Animals might have been harmed or disturbed to make them.



SPORTS NEWS

Year 6 Sportshall Athletics

Congratulations to our year 6 team who are district champions. They performed brilliantly at the competition at ACS Cobham last Friday and were clear winners. They now progress to the Surrey County finals on Tuesday 5th March at the Guildford Spectrum. This is a great reward for the group who have turned up every Thursday morning before school since the beginning of November to train and prepare for the competition.

ERPSAA football festival - Y4 Boys

On Monday afternoon, 9 Year 4 boys attended an ERPSAA football festival with 5 other schools. They all showed great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Well done to James, Freddie, Rocco, Jack, Leo, Jacob, Bert, Oliver and Kaan.

Year 5/6 Boys Football

Huge congratulations to the Year 5/6 football team who played brilliantly to win the EFL Kids Cup Club Competition on Tuesday at AFC Wimbledon. They came up against some tough teams but remained unbeaten on the day with 5 wins. This included a very close and tense semi final match which saw us emerge 2 v 1 winners. The team now plays in the South of England final on Tuesday 12th March in Swindon, representing AFC Wimbledon.

Y5 A Team Football vs. Cheam Common

On Wednesday afternoon, the Year 5 A team played in their Quarter Final fixture against Cheam Common. After making the journey to their venue, the boys were fired up and motivated to get a good result. The game began with lots of pressure in the Cheam half and a high intensity all round. Cleves struck early and slowly went from strength to strength. The boys were moving the ball around with such speed and creating chances all across their half. The first half soon came to a close and Cleves saw themselves 5-0 up at this point. Straight after the whistle for the second half, the Cleves boys turned up their efforts and forced many more goals to see out a comfortable win of 16-0. A standout performance this season from the team and one that makes a strong statement. Huge congratulations to the whole team and onto the Semifinals!

Year 6 Boys Football

The team continued their league campaign on Thursday evening with a home match against St Paul's. It was much more comfortable than the game against Grovelands a week ago with Cleves running out 8 v 0 winners overall. Well done to all the boys who put in a great team performance.

TRAVEL NEWS

Travel Plan

We have now completed our first month with the Travel Tracker in place. Year 4 have been leading the way with journeys recorded.

This week the Champions are Year 4 with a score of 785, Year 5 and Year 6 in second place with 772 and Year 3 scored 716.

As a school we are recording 82% Active travel in our journeys which is an excellent outcome.

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.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please note that ankle boots are not part of the Cleves school uniform. If the weather is wet/cold or slippery, children are allowed to wear wellington boots to school and change into their school shoes.

INTERNET SAFETY GUIDE

Let's talk online safety

Supported by Internet Matters and Parent Zone, Google has developed a range of conversation starters designed to help families spark important digital safety discussions.

Select a topic and find the right questions for you.

Please click on the image below to read the guide.



CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to Mia (4M) who won first place in her very first Acro Competition, completing a superb Acro routine on Sunday and Sofía (5H) who won first place in her tumbling competition, doing an amazing tumbling routine. Congratulations!

HOUSE POINTS

Please see below for this week's house points:

| Years | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Totals |
|----------------|-----|------|-----|------|--------|
| Windsor | 697 | 884 | 450 | 985 | 3016 |
| Arundel | 565 | 729 | 515 | 803 | 2612 |
| York | 990 | 513 | 640 | 1115 | 3258 |
| Warwick | 692 | 1385 | 470 | 1422 | 3969 |

THIS WEEK IN PICTURES

Year 3 Falafel Making





Year 6 Sportshall Athletics



Year 5/6 Boys Football

