

## Autumn End of Term Letter to Parents - December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,



As we reach the end of another successful term at Cleves School, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on our achievements and extend a heartfelt thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Thank you for your support throughout the term as well as your warm welcome to myself and Mrs Green. Joining a successful school like Cleves is never an easy task and you have made us feel like part of the community.

Your involvement and encouragement in the daily life of the school have greatly contributed to the success and well-being of the children. Be it attending the various performances, standing at the side of the sports pitch or mucking in with our incredible PTA, your participation makes a difference.

There have been so many highlights to this first term, be it the incredible fireworks, the amazing Christmas performances or seeing the outstanding teaching going on day in day out across the school, or seeing the children enjoy the PTA Halloween disco.

I would especially like to thank those of you that have continued to support us through your considerate and patient parking in the area at pick-up and drop-off. There is still work to do in this area and we have asked for additional support from the Police Community Support and Accident Prevention Team, however I'm confident that as we start the new year we can continue to be considerate of our neighbours and patient with each other.

Our children continue to excel in so many areas, and we are proud of their achievements especially in the expanding area of performing arts, with pupils delivering outstanding performances and every pupil having the opportunity to perform for an audience at least once and in some cases multiple times this term alone. A massive thank you to our dedicated staff for planning, organising, directing and giving up their evenings to ensure that these performances are able to take place. You can find out more at our first ever termly music report.

Cleves children have always achieved remarkable success in sporting activities, showcasing their talent and teamwork and this term was no different. Again I'd like to thank all the staff who have made this possible through coaching, officiating and leading teams, as well as the parents who have supported either on the side lines or by transporting children to fixtures and events. If you haven't already seen the sports report you can find it <u>here</u>.

As we look forward to the next term, we encourage you to continue engaging with us in your child's educational journey. Here are some ways you can stay involved:

Attend parent-teacher meetings to discuss your child's progress.

Participate in school events and activities. We always need volunteers and a big thank you to those that have already given up their time to support trips, performances, events or learning opportunities in school. Without enough parent volunteers, residential trips simply can't happen.

You could support our wonderful PTA who have already raised a huge amount of money for the school this term and continue to plan events. Support is always needed and if you can only give an hour or two to help set up or run a stall then I'm sure the committee would be immensely grateful.

This term the PTA have already run Halloween Discos, the dancing was awesome, a quiz night, the amazing Cleves Fireworks - the best I've ever seen, the wonderful Christmas Fair which raised a huge amount of money and a very successful wreath making event. These events are not only fantastic social occasions but also raise vital funds to support the provision at Cleves. You can see the PTA newsletter for all the details, this was emailed to you all this week.

We will keep you informed about upcoming events and important dates through our regular newsletters and announcements as well as our website.

Finally, I'd like to say a big well done to one of our Y4 pupils. We are so proud that George's total fundraising to date is now £35,455. GOSH isn't aware of any other 8 year old who has raised that amount. Thank you so much for your support with the GOSH Mufti day.



Thank you once again for your support and partnership. We wish you and your family a restful and enjoyable break.

Warm regards,

Mr J Usher Headteacher - Cleves School

## End of term poem

At Cleves School, we've learned with delight, **Respect** for each other, and **kindness** so bright.

With **high aspirations**, we set our goals high, Reaching for stars as we aim for the sky.

Through **perseverance**, we pushed through the test, Learning from challenges, always trying our best.

In an atmosphere of **inclusiveness**, we stand, Supporting each other, hand in hand.

**Learning together**, we've grown day by day, Sharing our knowledge in each special way.

The lessons we've learned, we'll carry with pride, As we move forward, with confidence as our guide.

Now the term's come to end, it's time to have a rest, But we'll be back in January all feeling at our best.

To teachers, to classmates, to all who've been kind, A big thank you to all, you've enriched our mind!

Building our futures, no matter the weather, At Cleves School, *learning together*.