



## Cliddesden Primary School Headteacher's Newsletter

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### SMALL SCHOOLS FOOTBALL

On Friday 28 October our Year 5 and 6 football team took part in the annual 'Small Schools' football tournament at Wide Lane, Southampton. Schools with less than 150 pupils on roll from around the county took part. We arrived in style in a Brighton Hill minibus and the sun was shining, ready for battle.

This was the first time that some of the team had played at this level for the school and they wore the colours with pride.

We played 9 games in total, each lasting 8 minutes. We started well drawing against our first two opponents and then managed a 1-0 victory over Smannell Primary. From then on it was a mixed bag, winning two more games and losing four. Overall we finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the group out of 10 teams. In each game we showed determination and left the tournament with our heads high.



Congratulations to Hale Primary for winning the competition for the second year in a row and to our old rivals, North Waltham, for coming second.



### CLIDDESSEN SHOW A STRONG START IN THE NORMAN LEAGUE



Our Year 5/6 Tag Rugby team had a great start to the first stage of the Norman Tag Rugby League yesterday. They played two games at Hatch Warren Juniors who hosted the first meet. Both our games were close and we are aware that the competition is of a high standard this year. In our first game we narrowly beat St John's 3 tries to 2 and drew 2-2 with Hatch Warren in our second game. Four of our players were playing for the first time alongside the others who had represented the side last year who won the league. The next meet is at Chalkridge on the 15<sup>th</sup> October.

## HARVEST SALE

Thank you to everyone who donated the food products for 'Harvest Celebration' this year. I do believe more was donated than ever.

This afternoon the Year 6 pupils set up stalls to sell the bread, fruit and cakes in our 'Harvest Sale'. All the tins and packet foods have now been taken to the foodbank to help those less fortunate than ourselves. The sale raised a pleasing £155.42 which we will give to the charity 'Farm Africa'. <https://www.farmafrica.org/>

Thank you to Mrs Duffy for organising the sale and delivery to the Basingstoke Foodbank.



## PARENTS EVENING

Our Parent Consultation evenings are on the 30<sup>th</sup> October and the 1<sup>st</sup> November from 3:30 to 7pm. You will be sent appointment timing choices next week. Please can I stress how important it is for you to attend these meetings so as you can be informed of your children's progress.

## SCHOOL OFFICE

Please note that Mrs Barker will be on leave until after the half term holiday. Mrs Stores will be working extra hours but will be taking on an additional workload. If you phone us and no-one answers, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as is possible. On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October the office will be unstaffed from 9am to 2pm. Calls will still be taken when possible. First aiders will still be on site at all times during the school day.

## TUCASI

We have experienced a problem with TUCASI over the summer which has now been rectified. Due to this we have only today been able to send out notification of school meals debt letters. From now on we will be able to make weekly debt checks and parents will be notified by email.

## FLU VACCINATIONS

We recently sent out letters regarding nasal influenza vaccines to parents of children in Foundation Stage through to Year 5. If you wish for your child to receive vaccination please return the letters to the office by 18<sup>th</sup> October.

## INSET DAY 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

Please note that Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October is an INSET day. Staff will be attending training at another cluster school so Cliddesden will be closed and office staff will not be taking calls.

## WAKE-UP CLUB

After the half term break we will no longer be offering Wake-Up club on a Wednesday morning. Ms Costen has changed her working routine and will be delivering all her PE lessons at Cliddesden on a Friday: Chestnut and Oak in the morning and Willow and Beech in the afternoon. Wake-Up club will continue on a Friday. The last Wednesday Wake-Up club will be on the 17<sup>th</sup> October.

## PARKING

A reminder that parking is limited at our school. Please park with consideration for others and enable as many cars to park as possible.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We highly value all the volunteers who come in to school and help. We need more volunteers who are willing to come in and hear children read in Chestnut and Oak classes. If you able to help at any time, if only for an hour a week, please let the office, class teacher or myself know.

As mentioned earlier our next Tag Rugby games will be played at Chalkridge Primary on the 15<sup>th</sup> October. We need a parent volunteer to help us transport up to 4 children to the event at 2:45pm. If your child is in tag Rugby Club and you can help please let the office know as soon as possible.

To view diary dates and class pages, find out about our curriculum, read all about our events in school, view your child's homework tasks, learn how to stay safe on the internet and much more please visit our school website [www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk](http://www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk)

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