



**Cliddesden Primary School**  
**Headteacher's Newsletter**  
**Autumn Term Issue 5**  
**30<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. The weather has suddenly turned much more autumnal and up on the hill at Cliddesden it is always a few degrees colder! Please ensure that your children wear coats to school with name label inside.

- In my last newsletter I mentioned a 'Sponsored Welly Walk' that was due to take place on 16<sup>th</sup> November. The Pupil Voice and I have decided that we will postpone this event until the spring term, possibly tying in with 'Comic Relief'. As we do every year though, we will be collecting any loose change in the school playground on the 16<sup>th</sup> to donate to Children in Need.
- As 2018 marks 100 years since the end of the First World War and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Armistice Day, the school and Friends will be raising money for The Royal British Legion on the 9<sup>th</sup> November. Details are below.
- Poppies, Poppy Appeal wristbands, pencil sharpeners and other goods will be on sale at break-times from tomorrow. Any amount can be donated for poppies and **a minimum of a 50p** donation for the other items please.
- We look forward to seeing you at our Parent Consultation Evenings today or Thursday. Your children's work will be in the hall for you to see. Please could you also complete our annual parent survey that will be given out on the evenings.
- We are pleased to say that signing up for our school choir was popular. Confirmation of places will be sent out tomorrow. Please note that the choir is now full. The choir will be performing at various events leading up to Christmas including the Salvation Army carol service. Other dates will be confirmed soon.
- We are pleased to announce that five candidates have applied for the parent governor positions. As there are only three positions vacant we will be holding an election. Voting forms and candidate statements will be sent out by the beginning of next week.

**Diary dates**

Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents evening 3:30-7pm
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Parents Evening 3:30-7pm
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Armistice Day Commemorations
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Be Bright Be Seen Day (Junior Road Safety)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> and Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Gifts drop for Secret Sale

Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Salvation Army Carols 6pm
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Friends Secret Sale (Non-Uniform Day) Pantomime (pm)
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Willow and Beech Nativity 2pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Willow and Beech Nativity 9:15am
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Friends Santa's Grotto after school
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Dinner Carol Singing 1:30pm End of term 2pm

## REMBERENCE APPEAL



### Armistice Commemorations

"In Flanders fields the poppies blow, between the crosses, row on row..."

As 2018 marks 100 years since the end of the First World War it is also the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Armistice Day.

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November we will be inviting Mr Frank Connolly of the Basingstoke branch of The Royal British Legion to visit our school and speak to the children about why we commemorate Armistice Day. We encourage everyone to wear their poppy (or poppy related item) with pride.

Each class will be given a large image of a poppy at the start of the week and set the challenge to fill the surface with coins, of all/any denomination by Friday's assembly. All monies collected on the day will be donated to Friends however we will also be making a donation to The Royal British Legion on behalf of the school.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Friends of Cliddesden Primary School

## ROTARY SHOEBOX APPEAL



Thank you to those children who have made a shoebox donation for The Rotary Appeal. The gifts will be distributed to children who are less fortunate than ourselves. The boxes were collected today.



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)