



Cliddesden Primary School Headteacher's Newsletter

Autumn Term Issue 7
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Dear Parents and Carers,

- * It is the last day of November and now we can begin to start celebrating the coming of Christmas. Next week we will buy our school Christmas Tree and decorate it. Our tree is always paid for by Friends of Cliddesden so we thank all involved once again for their generosity.
- * Friday 14th December is a big Christmas themed day at Cliddesden. Friends of Cliddesden will be holding 'The Secret Sale' in the morning and in the afternoon all the children will be entertained by watching 'West End in Schools' pantomime performance of Jack and the Beanstalk. Once again this has been fully funded by Friends of Cliddesden.
- * Friends would like to thank everyone for the donated gifts you've brought in for The Secret Sale. The response has been great but we are still taking donations if you have not yet had a chance to do so.
- * As Friday 14th is very much a Christmas themed day, we ask that the children and staff come to school in a Christmas jumper or Christmas related clothing. We ask for a £1 voluntary donation per child which will go to the 'Save the Children charity'.
<https://christmasjumperday.org/>
- * Our EYFS and KS1 children are busy rehearsing for our Nativity play. A letter will go out next week with more details of how to book your places.
- * Mrs Stores is doing a super job in getting our choir ready for Christmas. They are singing beautifully. **We still need further parent volunteers to help make the Choir trip to Chineham Tesco on the 13th December possible.**
- * I hope as many parents, grandparents, friends and family can make it to our annual Salvation Army Carols on Wednesday 12th December. Details are attached with this newsletter.

Mr Kenneth Davies

Headteacher

Diary dates

Monday 10 th December	Year 6 SATs parent meetings 3:30 and 5:30pm
Wednesday 12 th December	Salvation Army Carols 6pm

Friday 14 th December	Friends Secret Sale Christmas Jumper Day -£1 donation to Save the Children Pantomime (pm)
Monday 17 th December	Willow and Beech Nativity 2pm
Tuesday 18 th December	Willow and Beech Nativity 9:15am
Wednesday 19 th and Thursday 20 th December	Friends Santa's Grotto after school
Friday 21 st December	Christmas Dinner Carol Singing 1:30pm End of term 2pm 9 lessons and Carols at St Leonards Church 7:30pm

SPORTS UPDATE



This week eight of our children from Beech Class represented the school in a skipping competition. Out of the eleven Basingstoke schools that took part, Cliddesden came a very respectable 4th place. Another good sporting achievement for the children of the school.



BE BRIGHT BE SEEN



Last week's Be Bright Be Seen Day was a huge success. The JRSOs made a £55 profit on selling the reflective products which they are going to use to buy a traffic sign for the school entrance. Once in place I hope this reminds everybody that 5mph is plenty when driving into the school car park.

Well done to Harry who won the brightest costume award in our fashion parade and Ellis who won the most creative costume award.

Also well done to our JRSOs, Quinn and Alice for selling the reflectors and leading a road safety assembly.



PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to everyone who completed our parent survey recently. The response was very positive about the school. Thank you also for your comments. There was no trend in your comments but the leadership team and governors will consider everything you mentioned. Some parents were unsure if the school listened to the views of the children. We have a pupil voice group who meet with Mr Davies at least once a half term to discuss children's views, house captains and our head boy and girl. We also have a very open culture where the children are encouraged to make suggestions.



Our Pupil Voice Team

Cliddesden Primary School Parent Questionnaire November 2018

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't Know
My child has settled well in school and we were happy with the transition arrangements (Parents of EYFS and mid-phase pupils only)	85%	15%	-	-	-
My child enjoys school.	78%	22%	-	-	-
My child is making good progress in school.	69%	31%	-	-	-
The teaching at the school is good or better.	75%	25%	-	-	-
I receive valuable information about my child's progress.	62%	34%	4%	-	-
My child is safe and well cared for at school.	86%	14%	-	-	-
Behaviour in school is very good.	57%	41%	2%	-	-

The school is well led and managed.	73%	23%	-	-	4%
The school listens to children's views.	60%	24%	-	-	16%
The school is open and welcoming to the community.	80%	15%	-	-	5%
I would recommend this school to others.	90%	8%	-	-	2%

75% of parents completed the survey and comments were positive overall. There was no significant pattern to comments or issues raised.

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