



Cliddesden Primary School

Headteacher's Newsletter

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BOOK WEEK



Cliddesden celebrated reading and writing during our World Book Week. We held parent writing workshops, a spelling bee, reading buddies and a book character dress up day. The week promoted the love of reading and inspired the children to write their own stories. A big thank you to our English manager Mrs Nicholson for organising what was an enjoyable and successful week. You can read all about the events on our website.

<http://www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk/events-1/march-2017/world-book-week>

SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF

I recently received a letter from The Minister of State for School Standards, The Right Honourable Nick Gibb MP, to congratulate the school on our 2016 Key Stage 2 assessments. He noted that Cliddesden is in the top 1% of schools for reading and mathematics. You can view the letter at <http://www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk/statutory-information/performance-data>

In addition, although I am not a great advocate of school league tables, as it can be seen to be unfair to compare schools nationally due to factors such as different cohort sizes and social-economic catchments, it is pleasing to see that in The Daily Telegraph school league tables Cliddesden is not only in the top 1000 schools in England for the 2016 results, but in 99th place. I would like to extend my thanks to the staff, parents and last year's Year 6 cohort.

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS

Our spring term parent consultation evenings are on Tuesday 28th March between 4 and 7pm and Thursday 30th March between 3:30 and 6:00pm. We will send out booking slips on Monday.

As usual report cards will be sent out prior to the meetings.

BOOK SALE

In our book sale we raised £20.76. Thank you to all of you who bought our second hand books. The books were ones that the Hampshire Librarian had removed from the library to make more space. The funds will go towards new school supplies.

A reminder that the school library is open Monday to Thursday before school and Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays after school.

INTERNET SAFETY WORKSHOP

A reminder to those who will be attending that Cliddesden Primary School will be hosting 'The Right Click: Internet Safety Matters' workshop on **Wednesday 15th March 2017 at 3:15pm**. The workshop will last around one hour and is now fully booked.

SPORTS UPDATE

This week more inter-school sporting activities took place. Our netball team took part in a Basingstoke Schools competition and were successful in getting through to the finals which will be held on Tuesday 21st March.

Our Year 5 tag rugby team took part in the next round of The Norman League. They drew against Chalk Ridge and played St John's twice, winning one game and losing the other. The final round will be held at Cliddesden on the 25th April.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Next week you will be receiving a letter from SCL. This is an educational organisation who is interested in running a breakfast club at Cliddesden. I have been approached by working parents about whether we could run a breakfast club here and thus I have met with SCL to discuss their provision. Although there is a cost as with all breakfast clubs, it seems a reasonable one. If we have enough interest and uptake, the club will go ahead on a daily basis from 7:45am.

LOTS OF SOCKS

The charity that we are supporting this term is Down Syndrome International. We will be supporting 'Lots of Socks Day' on Tuesday 21st March. It is a normal uniform day but the children should wear brightly coloured socks, long socks, extra pairs of socks and odd socks etc. We ask for a £1 donation to support this worthy cause.

NOTICES

- Please can I remind parents and visitors to drive carefully when coming to and from our school. We ask that once in the driveway, a speed limit of 5mph should be adhered to and remember to give priority to pedestrians. Although there is no speed limit on Northgate Lane past the village hall, please would drivers keep to a reasonable speed and be aware of other vehicles on the road especially when turning in and out of the school onto the lane.
- Thank you for continuing to collect Sainsbury school vouchers. There is a box for them in The Link.
- There is a Friends of Cliddesden meeting in The Study on Tuesday 14th March at 2:15pm.

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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

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