

Cliddesden Primary School Headteacher's Newsletter

Summer Term Issue 5
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Parents and carers are reminded that for health and safety reasons they must supervise their children in the playground after school. You are welcome to stay until 3:45pm enjoy the community feel and beautiful surroundings but please adhere to our safety rules.

Dear parents, carers and members of our school community



Determined faces in one of the Year 5 girls track events

Thank you to all the parents who came along to our annual sports day. The weather was perfect and the day was extremely well organised by Mrs Jordan and Ms Costen. All the children thoroughly enjoyed taking part and showed the school values of resilience and teamwork.

The overall winners of sports day were Hackwood House and this was announced today in Mrs Jordan's special sports achievement assembly which included 'podium' presentation for the track event winners and runners up from key stage two.

This Wednesday our school choir went to the Junior Proms at The Anvil Theatre where they listened to young performers from across the county and also were able to join in with the whole audience for a big sing together.

Mr Kenneth Davies Headteacher

STAFFING

With so many schools struggling to recruit teachers and be fully staffed across Hampshire, I am delighted to inform you that we do not have that problem. Due to the positive result of successful professional development, there are a few changes to staffing from September.

Mrs Smith will be taking on her new role as Inclusion Manager/SENCo at Cliddesden Primary in full. This is a very demanding job and therefore Mrs Smith will not have her own class from September. Two of her working days will be in her leadership role and the other two she will be in different classes covering PPA (all teachers are entitled to 10% of their time for planning, preparation and assessment time).

I am delighted to tell you that we have recruited Miss Haresign as a full time Newly Qualified Teacher at Cliddesden. Miss Haresign has spent the year at Cliddesden already, training as a Schools Direct student teacher through the Anton teacher training school, and I am very pleased to announce that she passed her assessment with a high grade and was successful at interview.

Next September we will also be joined by two more Schools Direct trainee teachers, Miss O'Hagan and Miss Chetwode. I am very proud that Cliddesden Primary is not only a school that delivers very good quality teaching and learning and outcomes for pupils, but also excellent opportunities for staff

development.

The teachers for our classes in the autumn term will be as follows:

Class	Year Groups	Teachers	Learning Support Assistants (LSAs)
Willow	Reception/Year 1	Mrs Karen Nicholson (3 days)	Mrs Karen Sumner
	·	Mrs Zoë Jordan (2 days)	Mrs Tracy Benzeval
		Miss Grace O'Hagan (Schools	Mrs Natalie Wood
		Direct)	Mrs Christine Taylor
Beech	Year 1/Year 2	Miss Felicity Haresign	Mrs Paula Lavender
			Mrs Alison Garland
Chestnut	Year 3/Year 4	Miss Emily Romain	Mrs Sharon Duffy
Oak	Year 5/Year 6	Mrs Jane Montgomerie (4 days)	Mrs Anna Hussey
		Mrs Laura Robinson (1 day)	
		Miss Daisy Chetwode (Schools	
		Direct)	
PPA Cover		Mrs Jane Smith (Willow, Oak and	
		Beech)	
		Mrs Laura Robinson (Chestnut)	

Mrs Jane Smith - non-class based 2 days per week as Inclusion Manager/SENCo.

On Monday 11th September there will be a 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon after school where your child's class teacher will present to you the year's routines and expectations.

We are sad though, to be saying goodbye to Mrs Spencer, our wonderful Finance Officer who will be leaving us on 13 July 2017. Mrs Spencer has taken a new role at a school in Aldershot for logistical reasons as her son will be starting secondary school in the borough of Rushmoor. Mrs Spencer has been outstanding in her role, which involved many things including managing the budget, reporting to governors and most importantly to the children - being a caring first-aider - nursing sore knees and bumped heads! She will be missed by the whole community.

KS2 ATTAINMENT AND PROGRESS

This week our year 6 pupils received their SATs results. I am very pleased to tell you that again they all did really well. All of the children who took the Reading, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling, and Mathematics SATs tests met age related expectations. With the teacher assessed writing also being of at least a good standard, 93% of our pupils met the expected standard in reading, writing and mathematics, compared with 61% nationally. A big well done to all our Year 6 students and to Mrs Montgomerie, Mrs Hussey, Miss Haresign and Mrs Robinson for their excellent teaching and dedication to the outcomes for our pupils. Also a big thank you to the parents for supporting and encouraging their children.

END OF TERM REPORTS

On Monday 17 July 2017 you will receive your child's end of term report if they are in Years 1 to 6. As we are now in a new era of assessment, it is widely accepted that the expectations of what a child needs to achieve to be in line with age related expectations, is now significantly higher. The same is true of those working above the expectations for a child of their age. This will mean that some children who have previously been assessed to be working above age related expectations may this year be judged to be working at expectations. Please be reassured that this does not mean that

the child has in any way regressed, it is simply a reflection of the higher expectations of the 'new curriculum'.

There is no parent consultation evening in the summer term but we have an open afternoon from 3:30pm to 5pm on Tuesday 18 July if you wish to see your child's wonderful work and have an informal chat with their teacher.

E-SAFETY - PHOTOGRAPHY IN SCHOOL

It has been brought to my attention that photos from our sports day were on social media within minutes of it starting! Please be aware that while we allow parents to take photos of such events, if your photos contain other children you <u>must ask</u> their parent's permission before sharing on social networking sites as we do for photos on our website. This is actually quite a difficult task if you do not know the family so I ask that photographs and videos relating to the school are not shared on social media but emailed/WhatsApped to <u>friends and family only</u>. Remember that we take photos of all of our events and put them on our website for you to view but we have permission.

E-SAFETY TIPS FROM GOOSEBERRY PLANET

Gooseberry 'Tip' of the Week

Gooseberry Student 'Tips' for Summertime Online:

Social networking apps and messaging can be a quick and easy way of keeping in touch with your friends over the Summer. Be nice online and use your devices responsibly. Think about what you are sharing online and who you are sharing it with. Avoid over using your devices if you are out and about and keep your device fully charged in case of an emergency.

The latest parent handout on WhatsApp is now available. Please email stella@gooseberryplanet.com

NOTICES

- Friday 14 July at 9:15am there will be a <u>Xylophone Concert</u> by our KS1 children who have been working with Mrs Gent from Hampshire Music this term. Please come and support your children and hear what they have been doing.
- Monday 17 July at 2.30pm there will be a <u>RockSteadyMusic Concert</u> for parents of those children involved. Do come along and support your children.
- On Monday 24 July all <u>lost property</u> will be on display in the playground before and after school.
 Any remaining clothing after that date will be disposed of via the clothing bank.
- Please ensure all this term's <u>dinner money</u> is paid in full by Friday 21 July (including meals to be taken on 24 and 25 July).
- The last day of term is Tuesday 25 July 2017 and school finishes at 3:15pm as usual.

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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