

Cliddesden Primary School Headteacher's Newsletter Autumn Term Issue 2 22nd September 2017

WELLY WALK FOR FARM AFRICA



On Friday 6th October we will be having our 'Welly Walk' to raise money for the registered charity 'Farm Africa'. This is a non-uniform day and we also ask that all children bring in their wellies to change into for the walk in the afternoon. The children will be walking in their wellington boots to Farleigh church via The Drove and back to school along the fields. We ask that each child brings in a £1 donation for the day that will go directly to the charity. We have a target of raising £146 which could help buy a grain silo for an African farm . We welcome larger donations if you are able.

We will need parent volunteers for the walk so if you can spare the

time please volunteer. The walk will be in the afternoon. Please let the school office know if you are willing and able to volunteer. You can read more about this charity at <u>https://www.farmafrica.org</u> HARVEST SALE

I met with the new student council this week and they were keen to go ahead with the Harvest Sale again this year. Pupil voice had expressed how much the children enjoy the sale and in the interest of democracy I have decided that it will take place after all. The sale will be on Friday 20th October. All proceeds will go to a local charity. Further details will be sent out nearer the time.



FRIENDS AGM

Friends of Cliddesden will be holding their annual AGM at school on Monday 25th September at 6pm. We welcome all parents from our school community and hope to see some new faces at the meeting. Friends organise fundraising events in the school like our very well attended and successful summer fete.

SCHOOL SPORTS



Over the past few years we have been very proud to have raised the profile of sport in our school. Last year our Tag-Rugby team finished second in their League and our netball team finished third place in the Basingstoke schools competition. These are quite some achievements considering that we are such a small school with fewer pupils to select from.

Much of the good work has been down to the staff, Debs Costen and the parents who have given up their time to coach and ferry children to and from

competitions. We are always on the look-out for parents who can give up their time to help with sports coaching or transport.

Next Friday our football team are taking part in a small schools competition in Southampton. We have

a strong team this year that has already proved its ability and resilience by beating North Waltham 5-1 in a friendly game last week.

PARKING

A new school year reminder to everyone to please be considerate to others when parking in and around the school. 5mph should be adhered to in the car park, park as tightly as possible, drive carefully on the lane and do not park on the yellow zig-zag lines. Thank you for your cooperation.

CONKER COMPETITION



Mr Barden has kindly volunteered to host a conker competition again this year. It will be held on Tuesday 3rd October. If your child wishes to enter they should bring a stringed conker to school that day.

ROTARY CLUB CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

Your child will be bringing home a leaflet about the Christmas shoeboxes today. I am very aware that we have quite a few charitable events coming up but also that this scheme has been supported by families from this school for several years and would not wish to stop you receiving the information.

If your family is willing and able to fill a shoebox - note the requirements on the leaflet - then please ensure the boxes are brought into school for collection by the Rotary Club by <u>Wednesday 18</u> <u>October 2017</u>. Don't forget to put a <u>new £1</u> coin on the top.

SAFEGUARDING ADVICE

Our child protection policy is on the school website. The school's designated safeguarding leads are Mr Davies and Mrs Smith.

AND FINALLY ...

Be happy with what you have while working for what you want. As part of our growth mindset approach to learning, in assemblies we are discussing famous people who showed resilience and courage in times of difficulty. This week we looked at Helen Keller. Here is one of her many inspiring guotes. See if you can find some others.

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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