



Cliddesden Primary School
Headteacher's Newsletter
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SUMMER FETE - A MESSAGE FROM FRIENDS OF CLIDDESSEN

With the Summer Fete fast approaching, we still need help on stalls for the day! If you can give an hour and a half on the 23rd June it would make this event even more amazing! Take a look at the sign-up sheet which will be out every day until the event starting next week.

Please remember to either sell or return your raffle tickets by Wednesday 20th June. Hopefully you can sell them to friends and family over the half term holiday. They will be sent out before the holiday.

Finally we will need books, toys and children's clothes to sell on our second hand stall. If you manage to have a sort out over the holidays and then they can be brought in and donated from Monday 11th June.

Thank you so much for your continued support with this event and we hope you enjoy the day.

Amy Welch

Dear parents, carers and members of our school community,

The first half of the summer term is a busy one at Cliddesden, as they all are! Our Year 6 pupils will be sitting their SATs tests from Monday to Thursday during the week beginning 14th May. They have all been working extremely hard to prepare themselves for these very challenging tests and as ever the teachers have been setting high expectations for all the pupils.

During SATs week we have a breakfast club just for the Year 6 pupils. This ensures they are well fuelled before the tests and makes the experience less stressful. This means that the hall will be in use and therefore there will be no gymnastics club on Monday 14th or wake-up club on Wednesday 16th.

Mrs Robinson, Mrs Lavender and I will be accompanying our Year 4 children on their residential visit to Privett next Wednesday to Friday. We are all looking forward to it a great deal. A reminder to Year 4 parents to check the kit list and if you have any further questions do not hesitate to ask.

I hope you all have a wonderful bank holiday weekend.

Mr Kenneth Davies
Headteacher

The Cliddesden Pink Pages

SPORTS SPECIAL

Over the past few weeks our sports teams have been taking part in a number of inter school competitions. I hope you enjoy reading about them.

So close at Overton but Norman League Champions!

On Friday 27th April our Oak Class Tag Rugby squad took part in the annual Sparkling Rugby Festival at Overton Rugby Club. Once again we fielded two teams, the Cliddesden Cats and the Cliddesden Sharks.

The Cats started well winning their first three games convincingly. The next was against group favourites Longparish. It was a tightly fought match but we were narrowly beaten 2-3. With Longparish unbeaten and clearly finishing top of the group it was all to play for in our final game against Silchester, who had also only lost one game.

This was a very close game with Silchester and Cliddesden scoring try after try. It ended with a superb equaliser from Guy to finish 4-a-piece. We then had to wait to see if we qualified as best second place team. It couldn't have been closer with The Cats and Silchester finishing on equal points, but unfortunately overall, Silchester scored one more try than us in the group games and so it was



Silchester that qualified. Hearts sank but we were soon uplifted when squad captains Hope and Finlay were presented with the trophy for winning the local schools Norman League this year.

The Norman League consisted of teams from Cliddesden, Hatch Warren, St John's and Rucstall. We won the league convincingly beating Hatch Warren 10-3 in our final game. St John's had previously won the trophy 5 years in a row so it was a good feeling to be champions!

The Sharks team was made up of less experienced team members led by the more experienced captain Alex. They battled hard and although lost more games than they won, they showed excellent team spirit, determination and hope for the future!



The previous day we also fielded a mixed team of year 3 and 4 children in the lower key stage 2 tournament. They were a newly formed team, some of whom have not played in a tournament before. They started a little shakily, but soon found their stride, improving with each game. They played fairly and as a team throughout the day and their behaviour was exemplary. They all found new skills and learnt a lot from the experience. We were very proud of all their efforts.

A big thank you to Mr Martin-Dye our coach who gave up a lot of time to train the squad this year and make Cliddesden a name to be reckoned with. Also we would like to thank Roger Filbey for organising the Leagues and Sparkling festival and coach Ian Fletcher for his rugby PE lessons earlier this year.



Netball Team Make the Final Stages

Our Netball team earlier this year had great success in the group stages and qualified for the Basingstoke finals at Russell Howard Netball Courts.

Despite having a strong team our opposition this team was also incredibly tough. In our group we defeated Ashford Hill and Park View, drew with current holders Burghclere but lost to Woolton Hill and St John's.

'It was a hard day because temperatures on court reached 26 degrees centigrade and the sun was beating down. Like always we tried our best. No one gave up for the team, we were very brave. At breaks we had to have water since we were working SO HARD! Although the Netball team was amazing the reason we were there was our coach - THE FANTASTIC MRS HUSSEY! We also had a great Captain, who was very supportive to the team. And that person was ALEX. We all enjoyed it and had fun even if we didn't get through.' - Emily and Finlay (Year 6 netballers)

QMC Football

On 24th April our football team took part in a school 7-a-side competition with three other local schools at QMC. We lost against winners St Johns and were narrowly defeated by Fairfields but gained a convincing win over St Bedes. Fun was had by all including our regulars and some less experienced children in the team who were representing the school for only the first or second time.



It is so pleasing to see our Cliddesden teams improving in all these competitions; for a small school we do ever so well.

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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