



**Cliddesden Primary School**  
**Headteacher's Newsletter**  
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Dear parents, carers and members of our school community

We all very much welcome the news this week that schools can fully re-open on the 8<sup>th</sup> March. You have all been doing such a great job home-schooling and your children have produced some great work and kept up with their learning remotely.

Next week I will send out a document with all the arrangements for the full re-opening. Please make sure you read this carefully as we want to keep everyone in the school community safe.

I am sure the children will all be excited to see their friends again and the children who have been in school this term will be pleased to welcome back all their classmates.

**Vacancy**

As part of our 'catch-up' strategy we are hoping to employ an additional part-time Learning Support Assistant on a temporary basis until the end of the summer term. This person will support children on catching up on basic skills in Key Stage 1. We are looking for someone with experience of working in a school and with the determination to help children 'close the gap'. This could be you or someone you know. The advertisement is now live and you can view it at <https://www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk/virtual-office/vacancies>

**Governor News**

Reverend Stephen Mourant dropped in to school just before half term (after a lateral flow test!) on a short, planned visit to see me, and had opportunity to briefly call in on the two classes at work. He was much impressed "with the concentration of the children, a clear work task being achieved, and the staff working hard in the classroom too."

**Fire Safety**

Pupils in years 1 and 2, and years 5 and 6 will have a remote lesson delivered by the Hampshire Fire Safety Team on Tuesday 2 March 2021. A link to view the lesson on Google Classroom has been sent to parents of children in those year groups, and children who are currently in school will watch it here. The timings are:

Years 1 and 2 - 09:30-10:05, and Years 5 and 6 - 10:30-11:10

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

The school will close to pupils at 12pm midday on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Teachers will be using the afternoon to prepare their classrooms for the full return of pupils the following Monday. Remote learning will be provided on Friday morning only and there will be no afternoon assembly. PE will go ahead as normal in the morning for the children in school.

## Bake Off Results

We really enjoyed looking at all the entries for The Cliddesden Bake-Off. They looked delicious and we wish we could have tried them. Today in Achievement Assembly we announced the winners: In Willow Class the teachers chose Joshua and Teddy's bakes, in Beech Class the winners were Rupert A and Harvey, Chestnut's winning bakers were Matthew and Poppy and in Oak, Brook and India were the bakers of choice.



Teddy



Joshua



Rupert



Harvey



Matthew



Poppy



Brook



India



I also got to choose my favourite for **Star Baker**, and I chose this wonderful smiling caterpillar cake by Olivia and her brother James.

We will put all the entries on our website in due course. Well done to everyone who baked!

Certificates will be sent out to all the winners.

## Book Week



Our Book week is from the 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021 with World Book Day on the 4<sup>th</sup> March. We have sent out details of activities your children can take part in. Also, on World Book Day, home learners can wear their pyjamas and bring their favourite books to share in their class morning meets. Children coming to school can also wear their PJs and bring their favourite book. They will need extra layers underneath and over the top so they can still go outside!

To view 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](http://www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk)

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