



Cliddesden Primary School Headteacher's Newsletter Spring Term Issue 4 18 March 2022

Dear Parents and members of the school community,

Next week our Year 5 and 6 children are off to PGL at Osmington Bay in Dorset for their residential. They are all very excited as you can imagine! This will be the first time we have been able to take the children away since 2019 and I know it will be a very beneficial experience for them. Mrs Montgomerie, Mrs Hussey and Mrs Garland will be accompanying them all week, with Mrs Lavender up until Wednesday and Miss Haresign for the end of the week. This means there will be some changes to staffing next week, but all is covered internally.

This week Reverend David's assembly focused on the coming of spring and today it feels like it is here at last. He talked about how spring brings fresh hope and helps improve our mood. David was joined by his dog Tess for the assembly. Tess is his pet but is also an approved Police OK9 Wellbeing dog who visits emergency services staff in what have been very challenging times. After the assembly, Tess visited the classes and brought a smile to all the children's faces.



Tag Rugby

Our Year 5/6 tag rugby team have had an outstanding week. On Monday we travelled to Longparish for the third round of The Georgian League. Cliddesden managed to win all three of their games with some exceptional play, particularly from Tyler who once again increased his try scoring.



With one more round left on the 29th, there is all to play for as Cliddesden have 31 points, just behind North Waltham and Longparish who both have 33 points. It will make for an exciting finish.

The results from Monday in full are:

Longparish	3	Cliddesden	4
Barton Stacey	3	North Waltham	6
Cliddesden	3	North Waltham	2
Longparish	4	Barton Stacey	1
Cliddesden	5	Barton Stacey	4
North Waltham	3	Longparish	2

Also, on Thursday we played a friendly against Hatch Warren Juniors. This was in order to give every child who comes to the tag rugby club a chance to play for the school. It was a longer game and we were able to operate rolling substitutions so everyone had time playing. We won the match 10-8 but I awarded a bonus try to Hatch Warren for fair play. Our coach, Ocin Erwee, is doing a fantastic job in getting the best out of our players.

COVID-19 Update

Cases on COVID-19 are on the increase locally again with many schools nearby being hit quite extensively. So far, this is not the situation at Cliddesden but we must not be complacent.

The UKHSA guidance is clear that children should not attend school if they have any of the three main symptoms of COVID19 or test positive for COVID-19. Guidance for parents and carers states 'Pupils, staff and other adults who have COVID-19 symptoms, should follow guidance on people with COVID-19 and their contacts.' And 'If you insist on your child attending nursery, school, or college when they have symptoms, they can take the decision to refuse your child if, in their reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other pupils and staff from possible infection with COVID-19.'

Information for parents and carers on COVID19 vaccination for at risk 5 to 11 year olds.

The DfE have asked schools to share the following information with parents and carers of at risk 5 to 11 year olds.

'Children aged 5 to 11 years who are in a clinical risk group or who live with someone who is immunosuppressed can get the COVID-19 vaccine, in line with advice set out by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI). Eligible children include those with diabetes, immunosuppression, learning disabilities, and other conditions as outlined by the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) in the Green Book. Vaccinations help to increase protection against COVID-19, which is particularly important for those with underlying health conditions. Further information is available in the guide for parents of children aged 5 to 11 years published by UKHSA. We have published some frequently asked questions on the vaccination programme including information on eligibility, accessibility and advice for parents of children at high risk from COVID-19. Following advice from the JCVI, healthy 5 to 11-year-old children will also be offered two 10 microgram doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. The NHS will prepare to extend this non-urgent offer to all children during April.'

Clubs

The final KS1 Art Club for the term will be on Tuesday 29th March. Streetdance will continue until the end of term and restart next term. Tag Rugby club has now finished for the season but netball will continue.

We are looking for an alternative provider for Football club for next term. Wake-up Club on a Friday will resume after the Easter holidays. Details will be sent out soon.

I wish everyone a good weekend.

Kenneth Davies
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