



Headteacher's Newsletter

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Dear Parents and members of the school community,

It has been a busy week here at Cliddesden with lots going on. I hope you enjoy reading about our news. Don't forget that every Friday we update our class pages on the website to tell you what the children have been learning this week.

Jubilee Celebrations

Yesterday we celebrated Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee with a modern history twist. The whole



Beech Class performing their '60s numbers

school came dressed in the fashion of one of the decade's in which she has reigned. Only having four classes we had to stick with four decades out of the seven! Willow dressed in '80s style, Beech the '60s, Chestnut the '90s and Oak the '70s. Thank you to all parents for making such a brilliant effort with the costumes; the children looked superb.



During the week, the children had been studying aspects of

their decade and learning songs that were hits at the time. In a wonderful whole school assembly each class performed their songs and dance routines to each other. Also, on the big screen we had montages of each decade and talked about the events, people, toys and technology from the eras. Although I was born in the 60s I was too young to remember that decade but the '70s, '80s and '90s brought back fond memories!



'90s Hip Hop dudes and The Super Mario Brothers from the '80s (top)



Flower Power and hippies from the '60s and '70s

A big thank you to all the teachers for putting this together and to Mrs Hussey, our History Leader, for organising the learning and fun.

We will update the Events page on the website soon, so you can view all the photos and videos we took of the day.



ECO Workgroup

The ECO Team would like to say thank you to everyone who completed the Big Plastic Count last week. The team collected all your tally sheets and inputted all the data into the BPC website. This then generated a footprint for our school. 50 families completed the tally and this equated to a shocking 3,964 plastic items thrown away in just one week! This is not our fault as we cannot avoid plastic packaging in our everyday products. However, we believe something can be done by governments and manufacturers to reduce this waste.

The next steps for The ECO Team are to help Cliddesden become a Plastic Aware school. Next half term they will be writing to our local MPs to raise their awareness of the problem and hopefully ask the government to act. The workgroup will also be investigating ways that we as a community can try to reduce our plastic usage and waste. We have attached our plastic footprint with this newsletter.

On Monday some representatives from The ECO Workgroup and The Pupil Parliament met with the school governors to tell them about the work they had been doing. The Pupil Parliament presented findings from a Computing Survey they had completed with children from Year 2 to Year 6. The governors were interested in finding out whether children's interest in IT was swayed by gender as there are far less women working in IT across the world. However, the majority of our children, regardless of gender, enjoyed using IT in school and saw its importance in learning and the wider world.

Friend's Disco

Thank you to The Friend's of Cliddesden for organising the School Discos yesterday. They were well attended and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Afterwards the DJ told me how well behaved, polite and respectful our children were. Well done everybody involved.

Clubs

All after school clubs will finish in the week beginning the 11th July and there will be no clubs during the last week of term. We are pleased to announce two new clubs for the next six weeks. LUCA Art club will be for KS2 children this time around and there is a Science club for KS1 and FS children. Details have been emailed to you today.

We wish all our school community a happy and safe half term holiday.

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