



Headteacher's Newsletter

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Dear Parents and members of the school community,

It has been another busy week at Cliddesden and as the term comes towards an end, things just get busier!



This week our KS1 children had an educational visit to Bournemouth where they visited The Oceanarium, the beach and the gardens. Foundation Stage pupils had a lovely day out at Wellington Country Park where they got to see some farm animals among other things. Today they had a visit from a tractor which as I write, is stationed on our playground!

Oak Class have been doing their final rehearsals in time for their production to their families next week. All the children will watch the dress rehearsal. Today our Year 5 children are visiting Brighton Hill School for a taster day.

Friends Summer Fete on Saturday

We look forward to our first Friends Summer Fete for three years tomorrow, 9th July from 12 to 3pm. **We hope you can come along and enjoy the fun.** There will be usual parking in the car park but as you know it is limited. If you are able to walk from the village it would be recommended. If parking on the lane, please leave space for larger vehicles to pass. The school playground is allocated for parking for volunteers who are setting up in the morning and clearing away in the afternoon only.

End of Term Reports and Open Afternoons

Parents of pupils in Years 1 to 6 will receive their child's end of year report this coming **Tuesday**.

It has been a challenging year for attendance, but we are required by the DfE to once again report on attendance. We understand how difficult it has been, so we have lowered our attendance thresholds on the reports, just for this year. Normally good attendance is 96%+ and above but we have lowered this to 93%+ and cause for concern 90% and below which we have changed to 88%. Hopefully attendance will improve next year but Covid doesn't seem to want to go away just yet.

There will be a chance for you to come in and view your child's work on the following dates in the school Hall. Please come in via the Link entrance where there will be a sign in sheet. If you are coming before 3:15pm you may knock on your child's class door and the teacher will send your child to you if you want them to join you looking at their books.

Wednesday 13th July - 2 to 4pm - Chestnut Class
 Friday 15th July - 2 to 3pm - Willow Class (Year 1)
 Monday 18th July - 2 to 4pm - Beech Class
 Wednesday 20th July - 2 to 4pm - Oak Class

After School Clubs

There will be one final Dance, Art, Science, Wake-Up and Cricket Club next week. Unfortunately, I have had to cancel KS1 Football Club on Tuesday due to the hot weather and being very busy with various after school events. I have very much enjoyed taking our youngest children for football and I will make sure that they all receive a certificate in our end of term assembly for their efforts. Next term Premier Sport will run football clubs for both key stages and details will be sent out soon.

Gold Award

I am very pleased to announce that for the first time, Cliddesden has achieved The School Games Gold Award for 2021/22. Only a few schools achieve this accolade for their participation in sports, both internally and inter-school. The increase in children attending after and before school sports clubs, the involvement of children on free school meals, our sports leaders' engagement and our participation in inter-school competitions have allowed us to reach this standard. Well done to Mrs Robinson our PE Leader, our Y5 sports leaders and everyone involved for this achievement.



South Basingstoke 7s

On Wednesday our football team took part in a competition arranged with three other local schools at St John's. The 7-a-side was an enjoyable event and one we will repeat annually.

Our team played exceptionally well and came runners up in the competition. The winners were Chalk Ridge. We drew all our games and finished in joint place with Hatch Warren Juniors. Second place had to be decided on a penalty shoot out which we won 3-1. Eli made some great saves throughout the matches and repeated this in the

shoot-out. I was very proud of all the team and they have medals to show their achievement.

Team	Points	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals scored	
Chalk Ridge	5	1	2	0	1	
Cliddesden	3	0	3	0	1	(3-1 on penalties)
Hatch Warren	3	0	3	0	1	
St John's	2	0	2	1	0	

Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you as many as of you as possible tomorrow at the Summer Fete.

Kenneth Davies
Headteacher

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