

Clifford Bridge News



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This Week at Clifford Bridge

Another busy week passes us by here at Clifford Bridge, can you believe that we are 3 weeks away from the Easter break already? How time flies when you are enjoying yourself!

There have been lots of exciting events around school this week. We had the lovely Book Bus on site to help inspire and engage reading across the school. We thank all of those who purchased books, as some of that money comes back into school to help fund our own library. On the theme of inspiring readers, KS1 had a visit from author, Alina Crisan, to discuss her book, Professor Broccoli's Adventure at the Zoo! It was a fantastic morning where the children discussed creativity in writing, and how to use alliteration in stories.

Across the majority of the school, Spring Term Assessments have been taking place this week. We are really proud of how the children have applied themselves and look forward to seeing the progress they have made. Tests are only one side of the amazing progress we see: in behaviour; with friendships; with creativity; and so many other areas which we value just as much, if not more than the academic side of learning, every day in school.

Some of our younger pupils had a brilliant time at their Morning of Music celebration with other local schools. They sung their hearts out with a variety of tuneful melodies and loved sharing their best dance moves. As always, the children were a credit to us and to you.

Year 6 had a visit from the School Nurses team to learn how to relax and look after themselves in what can prove to be a challenging part of the year, with how hard they are all working in the run up to SATs.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and are ready for another busy week next week!

The Assistant Head Teachers

Miss Moore, Mr Woods and Miss Knibbs

Merit Certificate	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Anya M	Ryan J	Alex B	Ellie F	Jan G	Debbie K-H
	No Merit	No Merit	David O	Charlie G	Dylan B	No Merit



25.03.19	4T trip to Hindu Temple
26.03.19	4HJ trip to Hindu Temple
27.03.19	Reception Family Assembly
28.03.19	KS2 Morning of Music at Clifford Bridge
29.03.19	Wear a Hat day for Brain Tumour Research

Comic Relief - Well done everyone we raised £349.50.

PTFA Movie Night raised £463.36. More information to follow soon re an Easter event.

Birthdays from 18 th - 24 th March 2019		
Cianna-Tai W	Dexter C-T	Marnie C-T
Simran P	Laila M	Chase C
Rocco C	Caleb W-M	

100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RW	93.18%	RD	94.76%
1J	98.67%	1FS	97.67%
2M	97%	2E	98.33%
3C	98.06%	3E	96%
4T	95.17%	4HJ	99.67%
5O	94.83%	5Y	96.79%
6S	99%	6W	99%

Whole School Attendance is 97.19%
Best Class is 4HJ 99.67%
Well Done

Rags to Riches

You will shortly be receiving bags and fliers regarding 'Rags to Riches'. A clothes collection to help raise funds for school. Please send these into school no earlier than Monday 1st April.



Brain Tumor Research

On Friday 29th March 2019 we are supporting the above charity for a donation, children can come to school in non-uniform and wear a hat. We know we have been supporting a lot of charities lately so as we did with Comic Relief just asking for a donation from 10p - £1.00.



KS1

Year 1 and Year 2

What a busy week it has been in Key Stage 1! We were lucky enough to be visited by an author on Wednesday. She shared her exciting book 'Professor Broccoli's ABC Adventure at the Zoo' with the children and talked about how she wrote it, focusing on description and alliteration. The children loved their time with her and were inspired by her enthusiasm for books. We also had the pleasure of visiting The Book Bus where there continued to be a buzz around reading.

Year 1 also visited Ravensdale Primary School on Thursday for their Morning of Music celebration. The children had a fantastic time singing with the other schools and enjoyed showing off their dance moves. We were so impressed with their behaviour and enthusiasm during the morning, they were a real credit to Clifford Bridge. Year 1's class assembly will feature some of the songs they sang so we hope you can make it on Tuesday 2nd April.



Early Years

Reception

Reception have had another fabulous week welcoming Spring into their classrooms. This week has been all about flowers, looking at the similarities and differences. The children have been classifying them in different ways and have also learnt the names of various flowers! See if they can tell you the features of specific flowers. It has been a week of celebrating books too as the children enjoyed exploring different books on the 'Book Bus' that arrived at school. If that was not enough, the children were thrilled with their visit from the author A M Crisan. She is the illustrator, as well as the author of the story 'Professor Broccoli's ABC adventure at the zoo' and inspired everybody to read and write stories. We might have some future authors in Reception!



Nursery

Our Nursery children proved what bibliophiles they really are this week as we looked at the multitude of stories written by the author Julia Donaldson! Thank you for sending in such a super selection of books to share together, we have particularly enjoyed 'Zog and the Flying Doctors' and of course 'The Gruffalo'. The children have found themselves in a real 'Squash and a Squeeze' in the role play area, travelled the world with 'The Snail and the Whale' in the water tray and attempted to make their own 'Stickman' with sticks and string. We have listened to some beautiful classical music composed and performed by Rene Aubry, which you may recognise as the soundtrack to the animation of 'The Gruffalo'. Our reception teacher Mr Wilson came to visit us on Thursday afternoon and was very impressed indeed by the amazing phonics knowledge of our children and commented what an absolutely lovely group of children they are!

KS2

Year 3 and 4

This week Year 3 were reflecting on their understanding of prayer. They created lotus flowers and wrote thoughts and messages on them, then floated them on water. The petals unfurled to show the messages that they had written. In PSHE the children are considering the effects of exercise on their bodies. They compared the different feelings in their bodies during and after Rugby and Gymnastics and discussed how these were different and why this might be the case. They will now be setting themselves a fitness challenge which they will be working on over the rest of the term, to try to increase their fitness.

This week Year 4 have been continuing to write their own stories about one of the world's worst children. They have chosen and developed their own character and have writing and then improving their ideas. In theme they have been finding out about Roman settlements and comparing the different types of houses that Romans may have lived in.



KS2

Year 5 and 6

Year 5 have been showing all of the knowledge they have accumulated this academic year so far on their Spring term assessments. Their teachers are very proud of the hard work and effort they have put into the week. In PE, they have been enjoying their lessons structured by Coventry Sports Foundation focusing on the key athletic skills of agility, balance and coordination. In Science, they have been investigating mixtures by experimenting with methods of separation and dissolving.

Year 6 have been researching legendary Greek beasts for descriptive writing. They found so many amazing facts: Cerberus, the three headed dog who was guardian of the underworld; The Chimera which had the head of a lion, the body and head of a goat and a snake for a tail; Medusa, who was one of three Gorgon sisters who could turn people to stone with one look; and many.



