

# Clifford Bridge News

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## This Week at Clifford Bridge

It's been another jam packed week here at Clifford Bridge and Christmas has well and truly started! As the children arrived on Monday morning, I heard squeals of excitement as they noticed Christmas trees, tinsel and decorations all around school; it's that time of year where Mr Whale finds glitter EVERYWHERE!

It was the final session of Year 5's Bikeability this week. The children that have taken part have really enjoyed getting out and about on their bikes and learning new skills at the same time. The Bikeability team were really impressed with the children and their willingness to give things a try. Well done Year 5!

A huge thank you to everyone who donated toys to the Nearly New Toy Sale and to those who came and spent some pennies. We have some toys left over and will be having a stall at the Christmas Fayre on the 19<sup>th</sup> December so don't worry if you couldn't make it this week. All of the money raised is being donated to Zoe's Place.

It's going to be a chilly weekend so make sure you wrap up warm and stay safe! I think the frosty weather is the perfect excuse to snuggle up on the sofa and watch a Christmas film with a mug of hot chocolate! Whatever you decide to do with your weekend, enjoy it.

*Beki Moore, Co-Headteacher*



## The School Calendar

Don't forget to check  
Twitter for regular updates



10.12.19	Reception Nativity Performance - 2.00pm
11.12.19	Reception Nativity Performance - 10.00am
11.12.19	Christmas Dinner Day
12.12.19	EYFS Nursery and Reception trip to Warwick Arts Centre
13.12.19	Christmas Jumper day
13.12.19	Come and Share from 2.15pm
16.12.19	Gold Merit - EYFS & KS1 at 9:00am. KS2 at 10:00am
17.12.19	Tombola Tuesday (non-uniform for tombola item)
17.12.19	KS1 Christmas Performance at 1:45pm
18.12.19	Its Panto day Year 1-6
18.12.19	Nursery songs around the Christmas Tree at 10:00am
18.12.19	KS1 Christmas Performance at 6:00pm
19.12.19	Christmas Parties
19.12.19	PTFA Christmas Fayre 2:30pm - 4:30pm
20.12.19	<b>Autumn Term Ends at 3:15pm (return back to school TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> January)</b>

## Merit Certificates

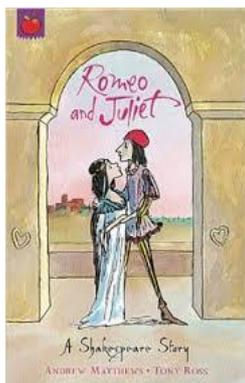


Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Isabella W	Bodhi M	Evelyn B	Lilly H	Phoebe B	Ava W
Matei D	Martha F	Alice H	Taylor W	Trinitee S	

### KS2

#### Year 3 and 4

Year 3 have had a busy, enjoyable week. They have looked at the genre of diary writing as well as a look at the features needed to write



effectively in the correct chronological order - the daily routine of a priest during Ancient Egyptian period was their focus for the latter. In mathematics, they have all worked very hard on their third operation of the year so far - multiplication. They have looked at multiplication as

repeated addition and practised their quick recall of the 2 and 5 times tables. In another exciting week, Year 4 have collaborated in small groups to generate ideas, make choices and plan, write and perform a scene from a play of their own making (inspired by the story of Romeo). In mathematics they have been looking at the many ways in which multiplication can be represented and looked at variety of ways to multiply by 6, 7, 9 and 11. In Science, they have further explored the practical and theoretical applications of what makes an effective electrical circuit.

#### Trim Trail

Can we please remind you that the trim trail is very slippery at this time of year. Although children are your responsibility at the start and finish of school we do ask you not to let your children play on the equipment.

#### After School Clubs

All After School Clubs have now finished the only ones running are:

Tuesday - **Band** will finish on 19<sup>th</sup> December

Wednesday - **Let's Get Cooking** will finish on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

## 100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RD	97.67%	3H	98.33%
RW	90.34%	3T	87.33%
1J	93.75%	4O	95.86%
1P	98.75%	4P	94.67%
2A	98%	5E	95.67%
2C	97.33%	5M	94.83%
		6S	96.33%
		6H	94.67%

Whole School Attendance is 95.23%

Best Class 1P 98.75%

**Well Done**

#### Year 5 and 6

As we near the end of term, we have been busy doing lots of exciting activities! Year 5 have finished bike ability this week and everyone who took part has made fantastic progress. Year 5 have also spent time and care over publishing their newspaper reports on the Coventry Blitz night and they should be so proud of their finished pieces.

Year 6 have moved onto a book study of *Goodnight Mister Tom* in English and have been getting to know the main characters in a lot more detail. Both classes have also had a visit from the Magistrates (6S last week and 6H this week). It was a very interesting session where they learnt all about court proceedings and even acted out how a court works too. Some brilliant performances too! All the children learnt so much - thank you to our Magistrate visitors for coming in to teach the children.

## KS1

### Year 1 and Year 2

This week KS1 have been rehearsing in earnest for their play. Ticket letters were sent home yesterday so if you have not received one, please speak to your child's class teacher. We would also like to thank those parents who have already sent in their child's costume. Please can we have any remaining ones as soon as possible. As well as rehearsals, there have been lots of other things going on. Year 1 decided to find out which was their favourite playground game and did a survey in their classes to find out. In Science this term, they have been thinking about the seasons and the changes in weather. The classes kept a record of the weather over a period of two weeks and recorded their finding in their books. Year 2 continued to work on their division skills this week, focusing on dividing by ten. They explored the difference between dividing by grouping and dividing by sharing and thought about how they could record their answers. In RE they have been learning about the importance of religious books and listened to the story of Moses.

### Change of menu

Panto day Wednesday 18/12/2019

Reception children will have the normal menu but as Years 1 - 6 will not be back from the Panto until 1.00pm the kitchen staff are going to provide Quorn or chicken sausage, chips and beans and a choice of sandwiches. Thursday 19/12/2019 so the children do not have sausages again all children will be having pizza, wedges, veg pasta back with cheese, beans, and sweetcorn.



**Birthday Zone**

**Birthdays from  
1<sup>st</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> December**

<i>Ashleigh A</i>	<i>Mya C</i>
<i>Sienna K</i>	<i>Louis S</i>
<i>Amelia-Rae G</i>	<i>Emily B</i>
<i>Lucie P</i>	<i>Maximus R</i>
<i>Alfie D</i>	<i>Elanie M</i>
<i>Kaydon S</i>	<i>Rose J</i>

## Early Years

### Nursery

Christmas really has arrived in nursery this week! We came back on Monday morning to discover everything looking very festive indeed, with a beautiful tree and lots of decorations. The children have embraced the Christmas spirit by creating baubles and wrapping presents in Santa's workshop. They are really enjoying practicing songs for our Songs Around the Tree and we are so looking forward to sharing these with you; we are sure you will be very proud of our little choir, we certainly are.



### Reception

Reception have had a very busy week! They have been working really hard to practise their lines and words for our Nativity. We are extremely excited for you all to see your little cherubs performing on stage, for the first time. The children have been singing their little hearts out and we are sure that you have heard them practising at home. We have been learning about the characters in the Christmas Story and the events that take place, leading up to the birth of Jesus. We have had some amazing paintings created by the children and a range of Christmas decorations to decorate our classrooms. We hope you all have a relaxing weekend in preparation for our busy week, next week.



# Take It To The Bridge at The Tin, Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Oh. My. Goodness! Just when I think that Take It To The Bridge can't amaze me anymore, they just go and blow me away again.

There is a poster up in the band's practice area at school which says, 'Don't practise until you get it right, practise until you can't get it wrong.' Well, they certainly embodied that ideology at Coventry Music's Winter Night of Rock, at The Tin @ The Coal Vaults in The Canal Basin. TITTB were the youngest band by far playing on Wednesday, but they were not intimidated at all by the other bands. Lauren, Beth and Alfie introduced the songs; the singers all sang their hearts out with a smile; Oliver and George held it all together on the drums (and then George went on to play the keyboard!); Anu gave us the tightest rhythm on bass and even smiled as he played; Lauren, Freddie and Nancy have impressed me with how quickly they have learnt some challenging songs over the course of the term and how much progress they have made in their playing; and finally Lucas is becoming more confident every week, playing solos and licks on 2 songs. All of this can only come through really hard work; we are very lucky to have not only talented musicians, but ones who are prepared to practise at every opportunity.



Thank you to all the parents for coming to support and for helping with practising the songs and listening to the same songs again and again (and again!) Oliver asked as soon as they had finished playing, "When can we do that again?!" Rest assured I'll be investigating, but I'll just have a little lie down first!

What a great bunch of children, Mr Wilson is a very proud teacher!