

Clifford Bridge News

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This Week at Clifford Bridge

Welcome back! This week, I have enjoyed hearing about the wonderful things that you all got up to over half term. There are a couple of exciting announcements that I wanted to share with you.

Firstly, I am delighted to tell you that on Saturday 22nd February, Mr. & Mrs. Dainty welcomed Ilaria Alba Dainty into the world. I'm sure you will join me in congratulating the new parents. We can't wait for a visit and Ilaria can't wait to meet you all.

Secondly, Miss Worsley became Mrs. O'Brien! A massive congratulations from everybody at Clifford Bridge. Don't they look happy!



On Thursday, we celebrated World Book Day. Year 5 set the scene beautifully with a fabulous book themed family assembly. They managed to sneak their Theme/PE dance in there and we were all blown away with the precise and complicated movements. Thank you for doing such a great job Year 5 and thank you to the staff for all the hard work in the background.

As I walked around school yesterday, I was amazed by the efforts that everyone had gone to with their costumes. I saw lots of Harry Potters, Mr. Bumps, Mary Poppins and many other familiar faces. Check out our Facebook and Twitter feeds for photos. It was lovely to hear children discussing their favourite books and characters. We ended World Book Day with our favourite part, the story swap. Teachers from across school swapped classes and read them their favourite story. What a fabulous day!

The children have certainly come back refreshed and ready to learn. It looks like it's going to be another busy and jam-packed half term.

Have a lovely weekend.

Rebecca Moore

World Book Day

A big congratulations to our dressing up winners:



EYFS - Harrison as Max the Brave



KS1 - Trisha as The Gruffalo



LKS2 - Alfie as Mr. Bump



UKS2 - George as a book shelf full of his favourite books



Staff - Mrs. Tarka as Gangsta Granny



The School Calendar

Don't forget to check Twitter for regular updates



10.03.2020	Netball Match at Moat House
11.03.2020	Parents Evening 3:30 - 7:30pm
13.03.2020	Sports Relief 2020

Merit Certificates	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Aariyah F	Isabella R	Laila-Mai H	Molly C	Daisy S	Sanam C
	Kiera E	Lucas C	Jessica L	Deividas D	Sophia E	Charlie C

Early Years

Nursery

We hope you all had a lovely and restful half term. The children have certainly come back with lots of energy and enthusiasm. The children have been very busy this week including trying to remember my new name (but even I have forgot at times and referred to myself as Miss Worsley!) We started the week off by reading 'Handa's Surprise'. The children were intrigued as to how and why Handa carried a basket on her head so lots of the children had a go in the outdoor area; it's harder than it looks! We have had the fruit which Handa carried in her basket and have been using them to sequence the story, paint with and learn the names of. Next week we will be carrying on our adventures with Handa as we learn all about her Grandmother's pet hen 'Mondi!'



Reception

Reception have had a wonderful week back at school! They have come back rested and with beaming smiles. They have had so many holiday adventures to share with us. We learnt all about the story of 'The Storm Whale in Winter' and used our problem solving skills to think about how we could help Noi cross the ice. Eventually, the children had the idea to create sledges to do this and we had some super designs. The highlight of this week was 'World Book Day' and we were really impressed with the amazing costumes. The children were so proud to tell us all about their favourite book characters and how they inspire them. I think we are all agreed that nothing beats reading a good book, whether you are a child or an adult; have a lovely weekend everybody!

100% Club Attendance Week beginning 17/02/20

Class % Attendance			
RD	94%	3H	95.33%
RW	97.67%	3T	95%
1J	92.08%	4O	100%
1P	95.42%	4P	90%
2A	99%	5E	94.19%
2C	98.33%	5M	95.67%
		6S	96.67%
		6H	97%

Whole School Attendance is 95.78%
Best Class 4O 100%
Well done



Birthday Zone	Birthdays from 4 th - 8 th March	
		Laney J
	Molly C	Abbie H-R
	Sophie P	



KS1

Years 1 and 2

Year 1 have been designing and testing their own kites. They chose the most suitable materials and then made the frame using a variety of joining techniques. They had lots of fun testing them outside on a windy day! In English they have written wanted posters for Lanky Len and Hefty Hugh, the baddies in 'What the Ladybird Heard on Holiday'.

Year 2 have been finding out about Sir Frank Whittle. They researched key events in his life and used this to write their own fact files about him. They were very excited to find out that there was a statue of him in town. In maths, they have been learning about division and using this to solve real life problems.



Sports Relief

On Friday 13th March 2020, Sports Relief comes to Clifford Bridge Academy. This year, children will be asked to complete the Sports Relief Mile. This will be a sponsored event, with all sponsorship money going toward Sports Relief.

On the day, the children will be allowed to come into school wearing sporty clothes. If your child has not completed a sponsorship form, we ask for a small donation instead. Again, all money will go towards Sports Relief.

KS2

Years 3 and 4

This week in Year 3, in English, the children have been focused on applying their knowledge of and skills at story-telling to re-tell a traditional tale with an



unexpected twist. In maths, they have been developing their skills and applying them to problems using the short method of division. In their

'World Kitchen' Theme lessons they have been identifying local cafes, restaurants and eateries using an online mapping tool.

As part of their Theme lessons, Year 4 have been introduced to the concept of the Pentatonic Scale in music, and have made great use of that new knowledge in writing and performing their own piece of music to accompany a Chinese Dragon Dance. In maths, they have been further developing their understanding of fractions with a particular focus on mixed number and equivalent fractions. In English, they have focused on reading and enjoying humorous poetry with the intended outcome of creating their own poem to amuse and entertain - they have had some hilarious ideas!

Years 5 and 6

WOW! Year 5's family assembly on World Book Day had it all: dancing, singing and poetry! They put on a fantastic show to motivate the rest of the school and parents to read and to promote the love of reading. Well done to the whole of the Year 5 children, staff and to Kirstie (our dance teacher) for putting together a great assembly.

Continuing with this theme, we have been amazed by all the creative costumes for World Book Day - well done and thank you to everyone who put in so much effort.

Year 6 have turned into secret agents this week. Well, they nearly have but only if their persuasive letters to MI6 impress them enough so that their applications are successful! If so, they will be able to walk in the shoes of Alex Rider. Using our class story 'Stormbreaker' by Anthony Horowitz, Year 6 will be writing various different pieces including a short spy story soon.



