

Clifford Bridge News

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This Week at Clifford Bridge

Dear Parents/ Carers,

What a wet and windy week this one has been! The children have coped brilliantly with indoor play activities and we are really proud of the excellent work they have been producing. It has been a joy to see corridor displays developing to showcase topic themed work and I have even caught sight of bikes in the Year 3 and 4's corridor for their 'On the move' theme!

Head Boy and Head Girl

Congratulations to Joe Markham and Lauren Convey! The field of applications was very strong, and we would like to thank everyone who took the time to apply. I know both Joe and Lauren will be brilliant, and I am sure you will join me in saying a huge well done!



School Gates

Please could I ask that you refrain from congregating close to the school gates on entry and exit times. I know that it is lovely to catch up with other parents, but we are all doing our best to keep everyone safe.

Year 1 and 2 drop off

I am aware that there has been some congestion on the pathway by Year 1 and 2 and that, due to the wet weather, it has not been possible to walk on the grass areas. The staff are on the external doors, ready to greet your child so please make this as swift as possible in order to keep the flow of the one-way system. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher, please phone the office and the class teacher will happily call you as it is not possible to have conversations with staff on the door.

Parent's Evening phone calls

If your child is in Year 1-6, we hope you enjoyed the opportunity to talk with the class teacher this week. Thank you for the positive feedback you have given to me on the gate. We are all finding new ways of doing things and your views are important to us. If you didn't make an Appointment and would now like one, please contact the school office.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Morgan

"What's your best discovery?" asked the mole



"That I'm enough as I am" said the boy

Important information



Are you entitled?

Free School Meals

Do you think you should be entitled to Free School Meals?

Do you want to know how the school will receive an extra £1,300 to support your child in school?

If you have a child in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 it is important to apply for Free School Meals. Even though your child is getting a free school meal under the new government scheme, by applying, you could raise an extra £1,300 for your child's school from central government, to fund valuable support like teaching assistants, after school clubs and school trips. It will also mean that you might be eligible for support through this difficult time. If you are in receipt of the following benefits, you could be eligible to apply for Free School Meals:-

- Income Support
- Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- The Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Asylum Seeker (Immigration & Asylum Act 1999, part VI)
- Child Tax Credit but do not receive Working Tax Credit and that my annual income is less than £16,190
- Universal Credit and that my annual net earnings are less than £7,400

Please note: You do not qualify for free school meals/pupil premium if you are in receipt of Working Tax Credit regardless of income.

Different Ways to apply for Free School Meals

Apply online (you do not need to open an account; it will give you an option to continue without an account):- www.coventry.gov.uk/applyforfreeschoolmeals

Or contact Mrs Sutherland, Pastoral Lead and she will be able to apply on your behalf.

Application forms are held in the School Office or contact Mrs Sutherland on:-
School Office - 02476451720

Please complete, sign and return the form as soon as possible to ensure that, if you are eligible, that you can receive any support available over the coming weeks.



12th October - Individual School
Photographs

23rd October – break up for half term

Nursery and Reception

In Nursery our book of the week has been Ten Little Dinosaurs by Mike Brownlow. We appear to have had 27 little dinosaurs in Nursery too as we have all been busy pretending to be dinosaurs and making them too!

Children have been having fun making their own dinosaurs out of playdough, discovering fossils and we used our handprints which we turned into dinosaurs too!

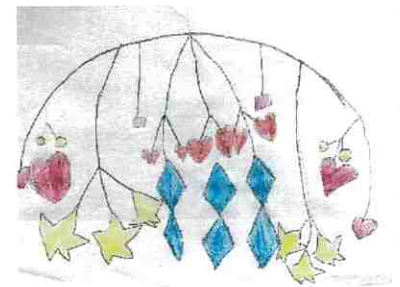
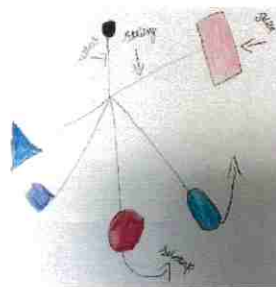


Reception have had a fabulous week learning all about the story 'Katie and the Dinosaurs.' The children have been learning the names of different dinosaurs and how to distinguish them from their characteristic features. They have decided that they would love to visit the National History Museum in the future and go on a similar adventure to Katie. There has been lots of dinosaur role play, an array of drawings and paintings. The children also learnt a valuable moral from the story that they must always stay with an adult when they are out. Of course, they would all love to bring a dinosaur home as a pet! Have a lovely weekend everybody.



KS1

This week in Year 1, we have been continuing our focus in English on the classic story 'Dogger'. The children were really concerned to find out that Dogger had gone missing again and decided they wanted to make 'Lost' posters to help find him! They created a word bank of describing words and thought of some super simple sentences to describe his looks and personality. We do hope we find him soon! In Maths, we have been practicing counting backwards and understanding the value of 'zero'. The children have had lots of fun exploring this using their number lines and ten frames to help them count. In the afternoons, continuing our theme focus of 'In the Toy Box', we have been learning about kinetic sculptures and designing our own toy mobile. There have been some very colourful and creative designs! We are looking forward to making these together next week.



Year 2 have had an exciting week! Following the theft of our toys last week, we have followed the clues, and with the help of Traction man, our toys have been returned! We have been writing our own adventure stories based on the events, using some super adjectives and adverbs. The children have also been designing their own mobiles in theme lessons based on the work of Alexander Calder and we are so excited to turn those designs into real mobiles next week.

KS2

It's been another brilliant week in Year 3, where the children have been making great strides in lots of areas of the curriculum. In English, the children have been writing descriptive paragraphs to describe everyone's favourite mischievous dog 'Claude', while in Maths, we have been counting in a variety of multiples including 4's, 8's and 50's! In RE, we learnt all about what God means to different people and discussed the different ways that people express their faith. In Theme, we have become geographers, investigating 4-figure grid referencing and much more!! Well done Year 3, keep up the good work!

This week, Year 4 have been 'On the Move' whilst developing their Geography skills. We have been exploring why Coventry is so important to the car industry and using our map skills to locate some famous car companies. We have made some links to Maths this week, following the golden rule of 'along the corridor and up the stairs' to use four-figure grid references on a map. Well done Year 4!

This week, Year 5 have been delving into the world of natural disasters; we have been busy practicing our geography skills and locating fault lines and areas of the world that have been devastated by earthquakes on maps. Using coordinates and world maps, we have been able to locate the most disastrous earthquakes ever to have been recorded. We have been applying our knowledge of why earthquakes occur and looking at how physical geography plays a part on where earthquakes occur.

During our Maths lessons this week, we have been applying our place value knowledge to add and subtract numbers up to 1,00,000. We have used lots different methods to help us understand the processes of adding and subtracting and applied these methods to help us work out some tricky calculations. We have also spent time reflecting on our learning in our journals, so we have a record of our learning so far.

Year 6 have not only survived but thrived this week! Washed up on a deserted island populated by bears? No problem! Year 6 have produced some expert survival guides which will make sure that, no matter who you are, you'll have the best chance of making it off your deserted island alive. Looking to build in an earthquake-prone area? Relax! Our architects know their stuff and they'll make sure your buildings are strong and safe. Great work this week Year 6!

Mr Brown - Assistant Headteacher KS2

100% Club Attendance

Whole School attendance is 1S and 3B
100%
Best Class 96.49%
Well Done!

Class % Attendance

RD	96.95%	3B	100%
RW	94.76%	3T	98%
1P	94.83%	4O	91.95%
1S	100%	4J	92.67%
2A	96.92%	5E	96%
2G	98.48%	5M	97.32%
		6S	97%
		6H	96.13%



Birthday Zone

Birthdays From
5th October - 11th
October



Anu A	Harrison H
Milun M	Nathan B
Lyla K	Lauren C
Thomas M	Chloe H-R
Evie-Mae V	Eve M

Secondary Transfer Application

Applications for secondary closes on 31st October you must make an application before this date.

Caludon are hosting a virtual open event which is available via their website www.caludoncastle.co.uk for year 6 parents and children.