

Clifford Bridge News

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This week at Clifford Bridge

This week's news includes:

Mental wellbeing

Covid-19 advice

Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It's Red Nose Day! The children looked wonderful this morning dressed top to toe in red! Thank you for your donations, once we have counted it all up, we will share the total with you next week.

As we come to the end of our second week fully reopen, things certainly feel more 'back to normal' and children are in the swing of the familiar routines in school. Learning behaviour is excellent and we have enjoyed seeing the children's pocket hugs, which have been a real comfort to them in these initial stages. I am not one to spoil the fun, but we are seeing an increased number of 'fiddle toys' creeping their way into school. Please encourage your child to leave these at home unless you feel your child requires one to support their learning, please contact Miss Moore, our Deputy Headteacher and Inclusion Lead and she will be happy to discuss this further.

If you haven't already been informed by your child, we are doing Gold Merit slightly differently this term. It was impossible to choose so we have decided that all children will have a celebration afternoon on the last day of term. Classes are busy deciding how they would like to celebrate and I'm looking forward to hearing their ideas! More details to follow, closer to the time.

This week, our whole school assembly focused upon a beautiful book, 'Incredible You'. Sometimes we wish we could be someone or something else but we are incredible just the way we are!

Have a super weekend,
Mrs Morgan



Feelings chart Use this chart to identify and talk about feelings you and your child might have.



It's good to talk about feelings. If your child finds it hard to open up, this handy chart might help 😊

NHS

If you have any coronavirus symptoms:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

Get a test and stay at home

Remember, stay at home and stay away from school if you have any of the symptoms above. Self-isolate for 10 days and book a test.

Holiday activities and Food Programme

If your child is currently receiving free school meals, then please look out for a letter directly from the local authority to advise you on how you can register for a home activity and healthy breakfast pack, and/or an e-resource pack during Easter.



Learning this week at Clifford Bridge...

Nursery and Reception

This week in Nursery the children have loved reading the story of 'The Enormous Turnip' and we think we have finally learnt the name of this new and intriguing vegetable!

We have learnt the names of lots of new vegetables this week as we have discovered them in our water tray, used them to paint with and started to plant seeds to grow our very own in our outdoor area!



Reception have had a fabulous week learning all about the story 'Juniper Jupiter', who is a real-life superhero. She's super brave, superfast, super strong, super smart and she can even fly. But something is missing. What is a superhero without an amazing sidekick? The children have been discussing the qualities that they would love to see in a sidekick if they were superheroes. They have been using their phonic knowledge to write about it and have engaged in lots of role play, indoors and outdoors. The highlight of the week has been Red Nose Day. It was lovely to see the children all dressed in red today, comparing outfits, sharing lots of smiles and laughter.



Key Stage 1



In Year 1 this week, we enjoyed finding out about Australian animals. We researched koalas, kangaroos, wombats and crocodiles and created our own fact files. Did you know that kangaroos can't move backwards and koalas sleep for 18 hours a day?!

We then went on to write factual sentences using the information we found and finally published our work. We were so impressed with the quality of their work, great job Year 1! In Maths, we have been looking at 'Numbers to 40'. We found out about more and less, finding how many more using our number lines. We also used our dienes apparatus to represent different numbers, focusing on how many tens and how many ones there were in 2 digit numbers. In the afternoon's we have had lots of fun in Science finding out about different 'Everyday Materials'. Identifying materials, sorting objects and finding out about their properties. We were lucky enough to begin our P.E. lessons with the coaches from Sky Blues this week too. Year 1 loved working on their agility and playing some team games together. Well done everyone on a super week!

We've had a great week in Year 2, having lots of fun and doing lots of learning! In Maths, we've begun a new topic on mass and we had a good time weighing different things in the classroom with the scales, all that baking in lockdown has really paid off! In English, we've published our amazing 'Disgusting Sandwich' stories, we're so proud of our awesome adjectives, amazing adverbs and fantastic handwriting! We had a special treat in Year 2 this week with a visit from Safety Seymour who taught us all about protecting ourselves from Carbon Monoxide with some fun crafts and a chant (ask your children to give you a cheeky performance)! Mrs Allen and Miss Griffiths continue to be so proud of all the children in Year 2 and we can't wait to start a brand new topic in English next week!

Year 3 & 4

Year 3

Year 3 have had a busy and productive week this week. In English the children have been very busy finding out all about how to debate and what a debate looks like. They have identified key vocabulary used when debating and understood that a motion initiates a debate. They have actively taken part in a debate to decide if school uniforms should be banned using for and against arguments. They then voted that school uniform is a good thing! In Maths the children have gone fraction mad looking at halves, quarters and thirds. They have understood what a fraction looks like, how to record and how to show a fraction using squares of paper. They have enjoyed finding and making fractions practically using paper and scissors and understand that a complete fraction is a whole and that fractions are equal parts. In the afternoon as well as keeping fit we have started to look at the story of Easter in RE and began to create our Easter cards.

Year 4

We've had a lot of time on our hands in year 4 this week. No we haven't been taking it easy, we've been learning about time in Maths. It has been reported 'time flies in Maths' as they have been having so much fun. In other non time related news, the children have been learning about how to write instructions. At the end of the week the children wrote their own instructions for a game they had created.

The year 4 team hope you have a great time this weekend :)

Year 5 & 6

Year 5

This week, in Year 5, the children have been preparing to write newspaper reports about some very strange happenings. After reading the book, Tuesday, by David Wiesner and discussing the plague of flying frogs on lily pads that visited Harltown, the children first prepared to question the witnesses, in order to find out exactly what happened that night. The children took it in turns to play the witnesses and to interview them. Next week, they will be compiling their newspaper reports but will they mention the flying pigs that appeared the week after?



Year 6

It's about time year six tried their (hour) hand at writing biographies for the first time. We learnt all about Greta Thunberg and Marcus Rashford so that we could write with confidence about their lives and impact. We learnt about the importance of sleep and how to get a good 9-12 hours in PSHE. Our bright sparks also started their new science topic: light. It really helped open their eyes to their surroundings. We even had time to solve some devilishly difficult maths problems involving time. What a week!

Birthday Zone



Birthdays from - 8th March - 14th March Happy Birthday

Molly C

Abbie H-R

Sophie P

Lily E

Iyla P

McConaughey R

Myah M

Merits

1S	Brady J	1P	Farah A	2A	Arianna C	2G	Elanie M	3B	Eva R	3T	Lauren B
4O	Kaydon S	4J	Thomas E	5E	Avin F & Harvey P	5M	Cianna-Tai W	6S	Christine N	6H	Katie R