

Clifford Bridge News

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This Week at Clifford Bridge

As we move through the month of January we continue to explore our theme of 'kindness' with the children. We began the week with an assembly focusing on the life and works of Mother Theresa. As always, the children were insightful and very perceptive, and we have shared some real 'goose-bump' moments when discussing what kindness looks like. When Mia in Year 2 piped-up "kindness is like a sense of peace in my tummy because I can see people being kind in the world", I found myself lost for words!

I would like to say an ENORMOUS well done and thank you to Eleanor Rowley and Weronika Solecka in Year 5, who led a whole-school assembly all about Australia on Thursday. Most *grown-ups* would quake at the thought of delivering a 20 minute assembly to over 350 children... but not these two young ladies! Their confidence blew me away, and their skill in capturing the attention of an audience who ranged from 5 to 11 years old whilst still keeping everyone's enthusiasm under control was breath-taking! Most of us teachers in the room have been learning this skill for over a decade, but Ellie and Weronika did it effortlessly. Well done girls.



Have a lovely weekend,

Amy Husband

Merit Certificates	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Louis S	Dexter M	Drishy B	Charlie C	Toby R	Rosie M-S
	Poppy F	Nylah J	Owen S	Ben L	Alexa C	

Birthday Zone



Birthdays from 26th January - 4th February 2018

Benjamin K Toulwani A George B Jayden S Conor C Aaron M Mia S
 Samuel F Eva R



30.01.18
31.1.18

Football Tournament at Ryton
Year 2 SATs Parents Meeting 6.00pm

01/02/2018 PTFA Meeting 6.00pm. Everyone
welcome.

KS2

Year 3 and 4

Forget the Oscars, forget the Globe theatre! Year 4 is the real hub of acting talent! We have so many budding thespians in our midst! They are a very talented bunch!

So many echoes reverberating around the classrooms of, "A plague on both your houses!" "Tis a scratch!" "You have made worms meat of me!" the stage certainly beckons for some of our pupils! We also have a severe lack of rulers... it is nothing to do with them being used as rapiers... we promise Mrs Husband!

The Space-Bat-Angel-Dragon has made an appearance in Year 3! The pupils became news reporters and wrote articles about the Space-Bat-Angel-Dragon landing on Earth. If you would like more information, ask any of the Year 3 pupils for a quote as they have been looking at how to write these as well.

Year 5 and 6

Year 6 have been taking real ownership of their work in English through designing and producing their own presentations about the moon. This week, we have been using Adobe Spark Video to showcase just how much we have learnt. The level of professionalism in everyone's presentations has been phenomenal. In addition to this we've been exploring synthesized sounds and creating graphic scores for different planets, taking our initial motivation from Holst.

Year 5 have brought their Highwayman work to a close. Lots of discussions have focused on ways to edit and improve our work. This is often a tricky skill but everyone has shown lots of maturity in how they have analysed their work. The changes made have taken the already brilliant work to a whole new level! In Theme, we've focused on the different planets and finding out lots of information about them.

100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RK	94.06%	3E	93.33%
RW	98.33%	3EV	98.91%
1C	95.33%	4T	98.67%
1J	96.90%	4W	100%
2M	99.67%	5O	91.67%
2FS	97.24%	5Y	86.33%
		6A	95.94%

Whole School Attendance is 95.93%

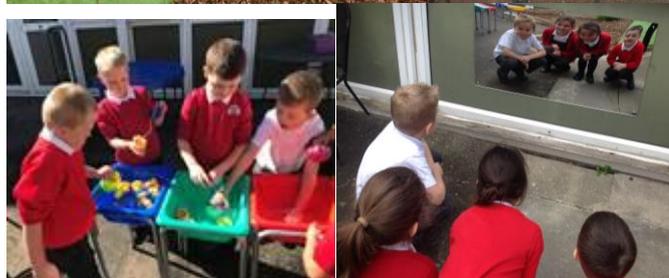
Best Class is 4W 100%

Well Done

Year 2 Maths



Pictures of the children enjoying KS1 Courtyard



Year 1

This week, Year 1 have been focusing on the story of the Three Billy Goats Gruff. We drew story maps to help us remember the important parts and then practiced telling it to each other, using actions and lots of expression! We then wrote the story over a few days, so that we had time to write all of the best bits! We are hoping to share our stories with Reception over the next couple of weeks. In math's we have been looking at number patterns and thinking about what number would come next. We have also been solving simple problems, using what we have learnt about comparing and ordering numbers. In our theme lesson, we looked at different types of animals and sorted them into groups thinking about which could fly and which couldn't. We then thought about whether all animals with wings could fly.

Year 2**Maths**

This week we have loved getting to grips with multiplication in Year 2. We used resources to help us create arrays and enjoyed solving lots of tricky calculations. We have also been practicing counting up in multiples of 2,3,5 & 10. It would be great if you could help us practice this at home too!

Yoimoji

Throughout the week we have been thinking about kindness and how we already demonstrate this in Year 2. We discussed how Wingo is kind to his friends and created posters to teach Year 1 about being kind. We gave them ideas such as smiling to each other, picking up somebody's coat if it falls on the floor and making people feel better if they are feeling upset, maybe by telling them a joke.

Key Stage 1 Courtyard

We want to say a huge thank you to the PTFA for donating money to help us transform the courtyard into a fantastic outdoor learning area for Key Stage 1. The children are really enjoying using the space and it is having a real impact on their learning. Another big thank you to Ade Rout and Sean James who completed the work - we really are very grateful. As you can see from the photo, the only thing left on our wish list is sand for our new sandpit. If you would like to donate some play sand, or have any links to a company where we could get some, please come and let us know. Thank you in advance!

Nursery

Nursery have had a week full of adventures with the Gruffalo! We have loved acting out the story in our own "deep, dark, woods." From meeting the mouse, to the fox, the owl and the snake, the surprises have not ended. We are now superstars at spotting the rhyming words in the story. As we came into Nursery on Wednesday, we found a letter from the Gruffalo. He was extremely hungry and wanted us to feed him. We were very excited to help him and left him some Gruffalo pies and crumble. Our paintings of the Gruffalo were also impressive as we remembered to paint his black tongue, orange eyes, purple prickles and poisonous wart. He is not as scary as he looks!

**Reception****Pirates Ahoy!**

What an adventurous week we have had. On Tuesday we had a visit from the real-life pirate, Captain Barnacle (he looked suspiciously like Mr. Wilson but we all agreed his voice was distinctly different from Mr. Wilson's). Captain Barnacle had lost his best friend Tom and had asked for Reception's help in finding him! We wrote letters to Captain Barnacle with our suggestions. These included: The jungle, an island and of course, Lanzarote!

