



Dear Parents / Carers,



UPDATE

Please be aware the school email address has changed to

office@clipstonebrooklower.co.uk

We are currently experiencing problems with one of our telephone lines. The engineer is expected soon to fix the issue so please be patient if you have problems with phone calls.

Thank you.

WRAP AROUND PROVISION FROM SEPTEMBER



We are aware of difficulties experienced by some parents finding wrap around provision. We are delighted to inform you that we have arranged for The Future Games to provide both Breakfast and Afterschool care in the school with their Kidz Zone Club. Many local schools are currently using this provision and find it very effective. They have recently been graded Outstanding by Ofsted.

Oscar will continue to offer their services and we will work collaboratively with them.

Further details of our new services will follow shortly after half term.

SPORTS DAY : 12TH JUNE

This year sports day will take place throughout the day. In the morning the children will take part in events such as welly wanging, obstacle courses and other fun based events. Spectators are welcome in the afternoon to watch year group races. All the children will have the opportunity to take part and will be representing their house team. Pupils will be put into house teams for the event.

Refreshments will be provided by the CBA and will be available to purchase from the hut.

Please keep the date free and we look forward to seeing you supporting your child / children.

SCHOOL DINNERS

We have a couple of special dinners in May.

Thursday 17th May Census Menu

As you maybe aware schools produce three census's a year to provide updated data to CBC and the DoE. The information is used to base school funding and includes pupil numbers and the number of state funded school dinners taken on 'census day' are used in the calculations. We hope you will help us obtain the maximum funding by encouraging your child to have a school dinner on this day.

The menu will be:

Hotdogs or Vegetarian Sausages
Chips
Baked Beans Sweetcorn
Icecream.

Fri 18th May

Royal Wedding Picnic lunch

Rather than the normal menu children can enjoy a picnic lunch with finger food including sandwiches; chicken nuggets; sausage rolls and cookies.

Details and booking sheets have been sent home so please remember to book before Friday 11th May.

Please make any payments via www.hobbsschoolcatering.co.uk



BIGG - come and join us!

Girlguiding South Bedfordshire Division now have an Additional Needs Girlguiding Unit - but you don't have to live in South Bedfordshire, you can live anywhere to join us!

We will be called: 1st Bedfordshire Inclusive Girlguiding unit. Girls will have the chance to do something really different and have fun.

The unit is for girls aged 5 to 14 who may not be able to attend the usual weekly meetings*, but still want to experience the opportunities that Girlguiding has to offer.

*but girls can attend both if they wish!

Meet new friends whilst trying exciting activities and learning new skills.

By joining you can become part of a worldwide community of girls who come together to have fun, learn and make things happen.

We will be running monthly meetings on a Saturday morning (including school holidays if required) from 10.00 - 12.00 in Leighton Buzzard.

For more information and details of our first meeting and venue please email specialneeds@bedsguiding.org.uk

KIDDY COOK

The children in Jellyfish are currently enjoying their Kiddycook lessons.

Sadly the school is unable to cover the total cost so please remember to send In your £1.50 donation to help.

Thank you.

OVERALL ATTENDANCE TO DATE

As you know, good attendance and punctuality is vital to help all children achieve their potential. Attendance of 90% is equivalent to 1 day off a fortnight (four weeks during an academic year). The target for attendance is a minimum of 96% but we would like it to be higher. **Our overall attendance currently is 95.18%.**

The break down by class is :

Nursery am	97.11%	Nursery pm	100%
Ms Sinclair-Gunn	96.34%	Miss Southwell	94.81%
Miss Skinner	94.01%	Miss Farid	95.23%
Mrs Price	94.20%	Miss Lack	95.47%
Mr Rowe	96.20%	Mrs Hewett	94.85%
Mrs Hieatt	95.30%		

CELEBRATIONS

Special Chair

Every week we select a child from each class who deserve recognition for something they have done. These children are:

Week beginning

30th April

Maclaine E
Chloe D
Taylor R
Harvey G
Diamond J
Emily R
Michelle M
Theo M
Emily M
Amelia B
Jack K

7th May

Ted B
Ryan A
Daisy F
Lilly W
Max C
Max P
Tennessee K
Tristan K
Adam J

Edward Early Bear

(Class with highest number of children arriving by 8.55 am)

23rd April

Dolphins (*Mr Rowe*)

30th April

Clownfish (*Miss Skinner*)

Attendance Bear

(Class with the best weekly attendance)

23rd April

Turtles (*Mrs Hewett*)

30th April

Seahorse (*Ms Sinclair-Gunn*)



SUMMER FAIR

The CBA are running the annual summer fair on 6th July. There will be a world cup theme. Keep the date free for this excellent event. Look out for planning dates on Facebook and further details on the event in future newsletters.

GIRL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

We recently took part in a girls football tournament with other local schools. Although the weather was appalling and everyone got very wet the girls thoroughly enjoyed themselves and played very well.



Congratulations to them all.

PLAY EQUIPMENT

In the interests of safety please do not allow any children to play on the school play equipment before or after school.

Thanks

CHUMS WORKSHOP

Friday 11th May

Our next workshop is on 'Behaviour'. Refreshments from 9:00 AM with the workshop starting at 9:30 AM. Please book your place on 01525 863924 or speak to Miss Edwards.



RESPECT THE

NEIGHBOURS

Sadly one of our neighbours has complained about some children walking on their wall. Please remind your children to respect peoples property. Thanks

DIARY DATES



Date	Time	
Fri 11th May	9:30	Chums Workshop (Remember to book your place) Refreshments from 9:00am
Mon 14th May	6:15 - 7:00	Read Write Inc workshop (<i>please make your bookings with the teacher</i>)
Thu 17th May	am	KS2 football tournament at MK Dons. (<i>Details to follow for selected children</i>)
Thu 17th May	Lunchtime	Census special lunch
Fri 18th May	Lunchtime	Royal Wedding Buffet Lunch (<i>Please remember to book</i>)
Wed 23rd May	pm	Year 3 Pulfords churches trail (<i>Details to follow</i>)
Fri 25th May	3:15 pm	Break up for 1/2 term holiday
Mon 4th June		Teacher training day (<i>no children in school</i>)
Tues 5th June	8:45 am	Children return to school
Tues 12th June	pm	Sports day
Wed 14th June	Pm	Fire engine visit for Year 2's (<i>unless there is an emergency</i>)
Fri 15th June	am	Fathers Day Breakfast
Mon 18th June		Drama for All visiting (<i>Rec - Year 2's</i>)
Tues 19th June	Pm	Alternative sports day if postponed on 12th June
Wed 20th June		Class Photos
Wed 20th June	Pm	Year 3's Sing Out Play out performance at Grove Theatre. (<i>See letters already sent home</i>)
Wed 4th July	All day	Year 4 middle school transition day
Thurs 5th July	All day	Year 4 middle school transition day
Fri 19th July	3:15 pm	Break up for the summer holidays

WEBSITE

Remember to visit our website. It is full of information about our school including newsletters, term dates, diary dates, curriculum updates, photos, forms, games and information on e-safety. Make it your first place to look to keep up to date with what is happening in school:
www.clipstonebrook.beds.sch.uk

Please refer to the school website for all term dates.