



Autumn Term Newsletter



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Dear Parents

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

We have had a very busy start to the school term and the children have all settled in very well to their new classes. Please remember that you are welcome to make an appointment with your child's class teacher at anytime if you have any concerns. The quickest way to address any queries is to write a note in your child's home/link book and ask your child to hand it in. We would also urge you to check this regularly as your child's teacher may write a message for you in there also.

Medical information

It is imperative that you update this information as soon as possible accompanied with doctor's/ hospital letters where applicable. I cannot stress it enough, how important it is for us to have the most recent medical information for your child. This enables us to deal with their needs in the best possible way. If your child uses medication such as Epipen or Asthma pumps, please ensure that we have two of them in school and that they are up to date.

Contact numbers

Please ensure that the office has the most up to date contact numbers so that we can update your records. It is extremely important that we have numbers that enable us to contact you in case of emergency.

Choir

There are still a few places for the choir club on Thursdays. If you are interested, please see Mrs Haneef in the office. This is an excellent opportunity for any child from Year 3 upwards. There is no cost for this club.

Uniform

All parents have signed a home school agreement consenting to abide by uniform rules. Please ensure all clothes are labelled and correct uniform and footwear is worn to school. Should your child not be in correct uniform on any day you will receive a letter and persistent non-compliance will result in a meeting with me or the chair of governors. It is important that we all dress smartly to show our pride at being members of our school family. I would also like parents to kindly ensure they check their child comes home with their own items of clothing including coats and returns any items which do not belong to them. It is vital in particular that coats and jumpers are labelled as these seem to be the items which go missing most often. Please ensure that your child has the correct footwear. Boots and trainers are not permitted and your child will be asked to change in their PE plimsolls.

Year 3's assembly

We were treated to a great performance this week, the Year 3 children presented an assembly about Roald Dahl and his work. The children did us all proud. It was really encouraging to hear that so many of them have already started to develop a love for reading. Thank you to all the parents who attended. It is always lovely to see so many of you come to our events.

PE kit

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit in school every day. Some children do not have their kit including PE jumpers or PE jogging bottoms. In the interest of hygiene, girls will not be allowed to do PE in their tights.

Punctuality

I would just like to urge parents to please ensure your child is in school on time. We have noticed a number of children arriving late and it is very disruptive for not only your child but their classmates and the teacher. The gates including the Reception and KS1 gate will be closing promptly at 8.40am and any child arriving after this time will be recorded in the late book and a letter sent home. Please be aware that the Education Welfare Officer does look at this book and will be asking to see any parents whose children are persistently late. In addition, he also monitors attendance carefully so please do ensure any absence is explained with a telephone call and followed up with a letter when your child returns to school.

Holidays in term time are not permitted and should exceptional circumstances arise it is vital that you make an appointment with me to discuss whether leave is possible. We have been given an attendance target by the local authority and therefore must monitor all absences closely. Please note that as much as we appreciate the fact that holidays are cheaper during term time, we are not allowed to grant leave requests for this reason. We would very much appreciate your support in this matter. Should you choose to take your child out for a holiday during term time, a referral will be made to the Education Welfare Officer.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to Year 6 and Mrs Heath and Mrs Terry as well as all the adults in Year 6 for hosting a fantastic coffee morning today in support of MacMillan nurses, a cause very close to our hearts. Thank you to all the parents in Year 6 who contributed with cake donations. An amazing £400 was raised to support such a worthy cause. Huge thank you to all the parishioners and parents who attended and helped us raise the money. Your support, as always, is greatly appreciated.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs McSperrin
Headteacher

News Items

Children who have been awarded certificates w/e 05/10/18

1 Alexander, Elijah

2 Maria, JP

3 Malachi, Kyrah

4 Alexandra, Ruby

5 Carlton, Magda

6 Rakai, David

School website address is as follows:-
www.clitherow.brent.sch.uk

FORTHCOMING DATES

2 Nov	Kittle photographer in
5 to 9 Nov	Gordon Brown Trip Y6
6 Nov	Nasal Flu Vaccinations R to Y5

Clubs will commence this term.

Kung Fu Tuesday (Y1 to Y6) 3.00 to 4.15pm
Football Wednesday (Y3 to Y6) 3.00 to 4.15pm
Art club infants Thursday (Y1 & Y2) 3.00 to 4.15pm

Music lessons for Y3 to Y6. Guitar and keyboard are available at £66.00 - 10 weeks at £6.00 per lesson is a very reasonable price. Your child may like to learn an instrument, so please consider one of these for your child.

Choir Thursday 3.00 to 4.00pm has resumed for this term for years 3 to 6. There is no charge.

Christmas Fayre

There will be a Christmas Fayre this year on Friday 7th December. Please put this date in your diary as Father Christmas will be paying us a visit before he starts his round of deliveries on Christmas Eve.

Important letter in your child's school bag.
Please ensure that you read this letter.

SCOOTERS AND BIKES

Please ensure that your child stays off their bike or scooter until they are outside the school gates.
Thank you for your co-operation.

School Council News

The children have been voting in their classes for whom they would like to represent them at School Council meetings.

Congratulations to the following children:

Chair: Aleeka Y6
Vice Chair: Amelia Y6

Year 6 – Martyna C, Cayden
Year 5 – Molly, Michal
Year 4 – Laura, Caleb
Year 3 – Yuan, Lilly
Year 2 – Maya, Nathan
Year 1 – Daniel, Natalie