



# Spring Term Newsletter



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Dear Parents

May I firstly say a huge welcome back to everyone and I hope you have had a wonderful and restful break. We are looking forward to the start of a new and exciting term with many wonderful events. I would also like to say on behalf of myself and all the staff how overwhelmed we have all been by your wonderful generosity at the end of last term. We have all been touched by your kindness and appreciation. I cannot thank you all enough as you have really made us all feel very valued. I would like to just remind you of a few issues which continue to arise and urge you to make this term a positive one, in which we all work together to make our school the best it can be by please heeding these requests:

## **JEWELLERY**

No jewellery is allowed in school, other than small stud earrings and a watch. Any child found wearing hooped earrings will be told to remove them and place the items in a sealed envelope. The Parent/Carer will be contacted and requested to collect the jewellery from the school office. This is a Health and Safety regulation.

## **ATTENDANCE**

We continue to be monitoring attendance and lateness very closely. Holidays in term time are not permitted and should exceptional circumstances arise it is vital that you make an appointment with myself 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. If you choose to take your child out for a holiday during term time, a referral will be made to the Education Welfare Officer. All attendances must be explained in writing so please ensure your child has a note when they return to school if they have been ill. If your child's attendance falls below the recommended figures, no further absences relating to illness will be authorised without medical proof.

## **PUNCTUALITY**

Lateness is very disruptive for the child; other children in the class and the class teacher so please endeavour to ensure your child is in school on time. Please ensure that your child is collected on time at the end of the day. Many of our teachers run after school clubs and boosters and your lateness in collecting your child causes a lot of disruption. If you are more than 10 minutes late in collecting your child/children and you have not notified the office, they will be put in Kidzone and you will have to pay a minimum charge of £6 per child. Should you be late on more than two occasions, we will have no choice but to notify the social services as this is deemed as child neglect and can cause upset for your child.

## **MONEY RAISED FROM THE CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

The £1,500 raised from the school Christmas Fayre will go towards the payment for the school mini bus repairs as well as the Science Week activities which will take place in March. More information to follow.

## **ISP MEETINGS**

If you were sent a letter to attend an ISP meeting, please ensure that you have sent in the reply slip. Please contact Mrs Heath via email [iheath@clitherow.brent.sch.uk](mailto:iheath@clitherow.brent.sch.uk) or the school office if you are unable to attend the meeting.

## **NEW BUILD UPDATE**

The building work has now commenced and is going smoothly. Lack of space has been challenging but we have been able to cope well so far. The children have been fantastic and have dealt really well with the changes.

Have a lovely weekend and God bless!

Mrs McSperrin  
Heateacher

## Children who have been awarded certificates w/c 14/01/2019

1 Kaitlyn, Franciszek

2 Max, Dawid

3 Ana-Marie, Maja

4 Bianca, Milan

5 Magda, Martyna

6 Cayden, Angel

School website address:-  
[www.clitherow.brent.sch.uk](http://www.clitherow.brent.sch.uk)

### FORTHCOMING DATES

29 Jan	Y2 assembly
30 Jan	Y1/Y6 ISP meetings
8 Feb	Y4 Mass English Martyrs
11-13 Feb	Y5 Lincolnsfield Trip
4 March	Open evening
6 March	Ash Wednesday Lenten liturgies
11 March	Open evening
12 March	Y4 assembly
18 March	Science week
22 March	Y5 Mass English Martyrs
4 April	Easter Egg Hunt
5 April	Wear something yellow for Marie Curie

## PARENTPAY

Can you please ensure that you have activated your parent pay account. We will in due course be asking you to pay for trips etc via this method so it is vital that you have this all set up.

## UNIFORM NOTICE

**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 myself. 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.

**PE KIT** – Can you please ensure your child comes to school with all the items they need, including a labelled PE kit. Some children do not have PE jumpers or PE jogging bottoms. Children are expected to do PE despite the cold weather therefore it is important that the correct PE kit is worn. Please make sure you order them using the information on our website.

### ATTENDANCE FOR WEEK COMMENCING: 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – overall total 97.9%

Year 6	100%
Year 1	98.8%
Year 2	98.3%
Year 4	97.8%
Reception	97.4%
Year 5	97.1%

### ATTENDANCE FOR WEEK COMMENCING: 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – overall total 97.3%

Year 3	99%
Year 1	98.7%
Year 2	98.3%
Year 6	98%
Year 4	97.6%
Year 5	97%