



**Cliddesden Primary School
Headteacher's Newsletter
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Dear parents, carers and members of our school community



This week the children in Willow and Beech Classes had a visit from a paramedic, Mr Montgomerie, who arrived in his ambulance. Learning about people who help us, the children got to go inside the ambulance and also see some of the high tech equipment that paramedics use to help patients when there is an emergency.



A team of children from Oak and Chestnut Classes represented the school in the annual Basingstoke Schools Indoor Athletics Competition at Cranbourne. They took part in a variety of running, throwing and jumping activities. As ever we were the smallest school to enter and although we finished overall in 8th place, Mrs Robinson was very proud of the effort made and gamesmanship shown. Also for four of our children it was the first time they had ever represented the school in a sports competition.

Next week four of our KS1 children will be representing the school in a gymnastics competition. Last year we won this competition and hope we can bring home the trophy once again.



SICKNESS

As ever, in mid-winter there are a lot of cold viruses and sickness bugs going around. On our website we now have a link to the advice form the NHS about keeping your child off school when they are under the weather. Please note that if they have a sickness bug the child will need to stay off school for 48 hours after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea. For colds please check the advice on the website. However, while we encourage good attendance at school we also understand that colds can affect us in different ways and that there are different strains and respect parent discretion on whether their child is well enough to come to school. Please remember if your child is off sick to call the office or leave a message before 9am. Thank you.

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Have you taken a career break from an engineering or a technical sector and wish to return? Are you working below your experience in a different sector? Do you have an engineering or technical degree that you aren't using? Do you just wish to transfer sectors but don't have any experience? If so this could be the opportunity for you! We are currently sourcing candidates for the FLUOR 'STEM Returners' programme, a 13 week, fully paid and supported return to work programme starting in April 2019 in Farnborough. All candidates will also have the opportunity to obtain a permanent role at the end of the programme. No career break is too long, register to return to STEM today! For more information please visit www.stemreturners.com or email hello@stemreturners.com.

More information on the programme is also available here:

<https://www.stemreturners.com/2018/12/18/new-year-new-returned-opportunities-fluor-hampshire/>

HEALTHY SNACKS

Children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 (Willow and Beech classes) are entitled to free fruit everyday. We have been asked if we would like to have fruit for our older children as well. The cost would be 60 pence per week (paid by parents) for a piece of fruit every day. We encourage healthy eating and will take up this offer if we have enough children who would want fruit. If you have a child in Chestnut and/or Oak class and are interested in this offer, please complete the slip below and return to the office by next Friday.

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I would like my child _____ to be able to purchase a piece of fruit at break-time. I understand there is a cost of £0.60 per week which will need to be paid a week in advance.

Signed: _____