

# Clifford Bridge News

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## This Week at Clifford Bridge

What a week! We kicked off our Monday morning with an assembly where we shared the story of "The girl who never makes mistakes", and discussed Albert Einstein's view that mistakes are a vital part of personal growth. The children were so insightful, and enthusiastically shared their views with each other and with me. We explored how some mistakes end up being absolute masterpieces, such as the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Next week we'll be talking about confidence, and how it plays such an important role in giving us the personal courage to try new things and believe in our own abilities.

I had the pleasure of spending lots of time in classrooms this week. I have visited lessons in Year 2, 3 and 6, and was as impressed as I always am! Our teachers are so skilled and their lessons are so interesting and fun that I find myself completely immersed and forgetting to take the notes that I am supposed to be making! On Wednesday I spent an afternoon in Nursery; Miss Knibbs thought it would be fun to surprise me with a Chinese New Year theme where Mrs Tarka joined us to race the guinea pigs and tortoise! The faces of the children were absolutely priceless and it was an utter joy to join in the fun for the afternoon. Mrs Tarka's "gentle" encouragement meant I was volunteered to hold the guinea pigs while everyone in the circle had a little stroke... just an average day in the life of a head teacher!

Today we wave Mrs Farrington-Smith off to begin her maternity leave. I'd like to formally thank her for the energy and love she has ploughed into 1FS for the first half of the year, and I am confident that Mrs Ashley will take over the reins with skill and ease as she finishes their year 1 journey. I know you will join me in wishing Mr and Mrs Farrington-Smith all the love and luck in the world as they welcome their first baby into the world. I cannot wait for a cuddle with the new arrival!

Apologies to anyone affected by the noise last Tuesday night... we had our fabulous new interactive screen installed and hadn't quite anticipated that she'd be teaching yoga so enthusiastically through her speakers at 3am! We have now ensured she is switched off overnight and I have given her a detention for the disruption she has caused... Sincere apologies for those who we kept awake, and thanks to the parents who flagged our mistake up to us on Wednesday so we could fix the issue.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

*Mrs Amy Husband - Headteacher*

Merit Certificate	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Macie J	Evan F	Ethan W	Zachary W	Mitchell H	Matthew P
		Ryan M	Tiarna E	Eve M	Tom H	Yanai T



12.02.19	CSW's Got Talent
12.02.19	Reception Hearing Tests
12.02.19	Kingswood Parents Meeting 5.00-6.00pm
15.02.19	PTFA End of half term cake sale
15.02.19	Young Ambassadors Conference
15.02.19	End of term Cake Sale
18.02.19	CBCA Jumble Sale 6.30pm

## KS2

### Year 3 and 4

Year 3 have been finding out the story of Boudicca. They worked in small groups to re-enact the key events. They also went to Year 4 to share stories that they had written- it was really lovely to see how much they all enjoyed the experience.



Year 4 had a great time yesterday finding out about the different types of teeth that humans have. They used mirrors to investigate their own mouths then used disclosing tablets to see the plaque that builds up in their mouths.



### Year 5 and 6

In year 5, we have started to get our teeth stuck into Greek myths, especially 'King Midas and the Golden Touch'. The children have been really engaged in this topic and the link to our Theme topic is brilliant. The children loved unpicking the myth and finding out what the moral of the story was. We then used our knowledge of the myth to help us create a recount from the point of view of Philomena (Kings Midas's daughter). Before writing our recount, we used drama to help us develop our understanding of Philomena, remember 'all we need is drama, drama!'

## 100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RW	96.19%	RD	92.86%
1J	94.67%	1FS	94.33%
2M	92.67%	2E	94%
3C	92.58%	3E	98.33%
4T	95.17%	4HJ	90%
5O	94.67%	5Y	100%
6S	92.76%	6W	98.67%

Whole School Attendance is 94.74%

Best Class is 5Y 100%

Well Done

**In Year 6** We have loved designing and making persuasive adverts to promote our ideas for the latest gadget for MI6. Creating our own adverts on Adobe Spark this week has been a fun and engaging activity for use all. Working as teams we have produced some very professional looking adverts. We have had Lipstick Tasers, Fidget Cube devices and many more that can be used on any mission to help save the world! We are all looking forward to a Mock SATs week next week to be able to show the progress we have all made since our last set of tests in the Autumn term.

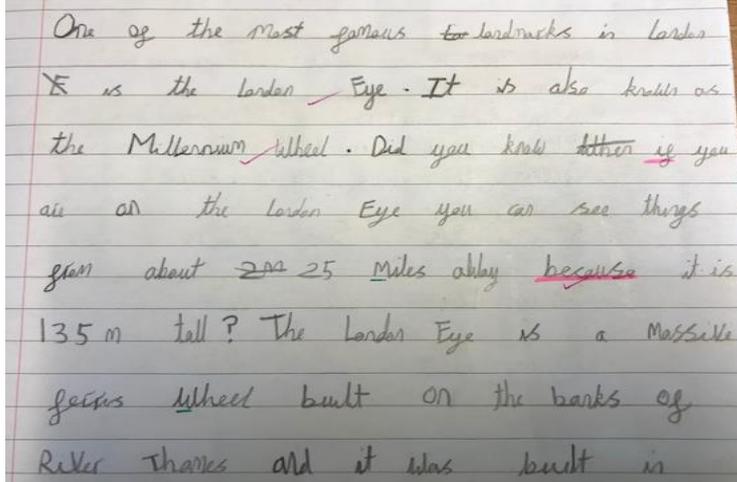
### **Cake Sale**

*On Friday we will be holding a cake sale in school, please send in donations of cakes and biscuits, children will be able to purchase these throughout the day for a cost of 20p - 50p*

## KS1

### Year 1 and Year 2

This week, we have been learning all about famous places in London so that we can write a visitor's guide for tourists. It was great fun using the iPads to organise and record the key facts. Check out this section about the London Eye:



In maths, we have been learning about fractions. Mrs Elliot's class have been thinking about fractions of shapes and Miss Moore's class have been using the cookie method to find fractions of amounts. We are all feeling a lot more confident in maths at the moment which is fantastic!



Lots of love to Mrs Farrington - Smith from all the children in Year 1 and Clifford Bridge family

<b>Birthday Zone</b> 	<b>Birthdays from 3<sup>rd</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019</b>	
	<b>Eva R</b>	<b>Jasmine B</b>
	<b>Ryley S</b>	<b>Netran T</b>
	<b>Lilly-Grace P</b>	

## Early Years

### Nursery

Wow, what an exciting week we have had in Nursery celebrating Chinese new year. Our story of the week has been 'The Great Race'; the traditional story of how the animals of the Chinese zodiac were chosen. On Wednesday we were given the challenge to conduct our own Clifford Bridge race. Mrs Tarka brought Skittles, Tom and Jerry (our school tortoise and guinea pigs) into Nursery and they raced in our classroom. You will be surprised to learn that Skittles in fact won. Slow and steady wins the race!

### Reception

Reception have had a fabulous week learning all about Chinese New Year! The children have been busy acting out the story of the animal race and pretending to be dragons. They have been learning about how Chinese families celebrate Chinese New Year and even help their grown-ups to tidy the house. We were so excited to try some fortune cookies and find a lovely surprise inside. We hope our beautiful Chinese lanterns look as nice in your home as they did at school. Happy Chinese New Year.



### Jumble Sale

Clifford Bridge Community Association will be holding a Jumble Sale on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm. The Centre will be open for donations on Sunday 4 - 5.30pm or you can drop them into school next week.