

Clifford Bridge News



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This Week at Clifford Bridge

Our first week back has been as busy as always! It was lovely to welcome all the children back to school on Monday morning and hear all their tales of adventures during our assembly. It was also lovely to share with them the news of a new arrival... Mr and Mrs Farrington-Smith welcomed baby Harper into the world last Thursday, and there were many "aaaaaaaaaahhhhhhs" from all the children as we looked at the photo. I know you will join me in wishing them many congratulations.

Earlier in the week you will have received Mrs Docking's letter about internet safety that was sent out to all schools in our multi-academy trust, particularly in light of recent media coverage. Thank you for all your support in this matter; I am less concerned about what is and isn't a 'hoax', and more concerned with children's use of technology more generally. Shielding them from it, banning them from it won't fix this problem, instead it is absolutely vital that we all work together as parents, schools and media to ensure all children have the skills and knowledge to use technology safely and that they know what to do in risky situations.

Many thanks as always for your continued support, and I hope you all have a lovely weekend

Mrs Amy Husband - Head teacher

Merit Certificate	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	David K	Rufus S	Abbie C	Harry D	Tanisha D	Alfie B
	Aylmar Z	Kian Mc	Freddie F		Ava W	Millie T



The School Calendar

Don't forget to check
Twitter for regular updates



08.03.19	World Book Day - Dress up on Friday 8 th March
09.03.19	Champions Football Match (Birmingham)
15.03.19	Comic Relief Day - Wear Red or non uniform for a donation.
15.03.19	PTFA Movie Night 3.00-5.15pm - More information and tickets next week
20.3.19	Book People - Book Bus - Leaflet coming home

KS2

Year 3 and 4

This week Year 3 have been making the most of the lovely weather! They had their first session with Wasps on Monday with a focus on developing the skills of running, evading and throwing. We are looking forward to working with the every week for the rest of the term. We also took the opportunity to go outside to paint our Roman Shields. First we looked at a range of historical shields and discussed their key features, including shape, colour and pattern. Then we decided which would be the most effective and why. Finally we designed our own, thinking about which of these features we felt were the most important.

This week we have been reading David Walliams book Worlds worst children. They have predicted what they think will happen in a story based on a character. In maths we have introduced decimals looking at tenths and hundredths understanding the value if each digit using a place value chart. We have created amazing musical art work in theme based on the Gladiators film and have been using classification charts to sort sea creatures in science.



Year 5 and 6

Aim ... draw... hold... release! Years 5 and 6 had a master archery session this week with links to our Ancient Greek topic - Greek Legacy. We learnt about the legacy of archery through the ages as a hunting tool, it's use in wars and through to its place as a modern day Olympic sport. We then has the opportunity to shoot our own arrows. In Ancient Greek times, One of the 12 legendary tasks of Heracles (also known as Hercules) was to defeat the Stymphalian birds. These man-eating metallic birds were the pets of the god Ares.

But don't worry, no birds were harmed during the afternoons activities, although a few worms bit the dust!



100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RW	91.43%	RD	80%
1J	98%	1FS	93.33%
2M	98.67%	2E	97.67%
3C	97.42%	3E	96.67%
4T	92.07%	4HJ	96%
5O	93.57%	5Y	97.14%
6S	99%	6W	96.67%

Whole School Attendance is 96.25%

Best Class is Year 6S 99%

Well Done

World Book Day

We are very excited that the National World Book Day is taking place next week on **Friday 8th March.**

This is a gentle **reminder** that we will be celebrating by inviting the children to dress up as their **favourite book character** or in **their pajamas** to celebrate the tradition of bedtime reading.

We're very much looking forward to seeing the children in their outfits.

Happy Reading,
Clifford Bridge English Team.

Early Bird Week

Next week to encourage children to be at school on time every day we are running an Early Bird Week initiative. Everyone who is in school on time will be entered into a draw to win gift vouchers across each stage of the school.

It is so important that children are in school on time as they miss quality class time and often get upset at having to arrive late when children are in assembly or group discussions in class.

KS1

Year 1 and Year 2

Year 2 have had a cracking first week back! In English we have been enjoying a new book linked to our Theme topic about London - Paddinton at the Palace. This gave us inspiration to write a setting description as if we have jumped into one of the pictures in the book. We were blown away with the descriptions that the children came up with. Check out this extract from Jay in 2M.

"Closing my eyes I can hear loud, joyful music being played by the happy band. From time to time I hear bubbles of excitement from everyone in the crowd and I can hear the horses hooves going clump clump. Looking at the guards I can see their long, pointy spears and their red and gold uniform. Cheerfully, everyone around me is feeling the warmth of the sun and they have excited smiles."

During Theme this week, we got a little bit messy when we used tiles to make a repeated pattern. We had each drawn a famous Coventry landmark on our tile and then used rollers and ink to create our pattern. It was great fun!



Early Years

Reception

Reception have had a thrilling week learning all about the story of Rapunzel. The children have loved acting out the story, which has also evolved into becoming princes and princesses. They have been making character dolls using collage materials, making lost posters to find Rapunzel, making junk model towers of different heights and crowns. The children have embraced the royal theme and have been speaking to each other with impeccable manners. The highlight of the week has been playing outside in the glorious sunshine. It definitely feels like spring has arrived!



Nursery

"Run, run as fast as you can, you can't catch me I'm the Gingerbread Man" has been the phrase of the week as we retold the story of The Gingerbread Man. Nursery have absolutely loved making gingerbread people this week, although it did take the teachers a few attempts before finding out the correct temperature for the oven. This wasn't a problem for the Nursery children as it gave them lots of opportunities to create even more gingerbread mixture. The bakery has been a huge hit in our role-play area with children taking on the roles of bakers and shop keepers, eager to sell their fresh produce!



Birthdays from
25th February - 3rd March

Jake B	Phoebe B	Katie B
Daisy H	Evelyn B	Freya S
Donovan M-S	Jozsef M-S	



