



Cleves School
Learning Together

17th July 2026

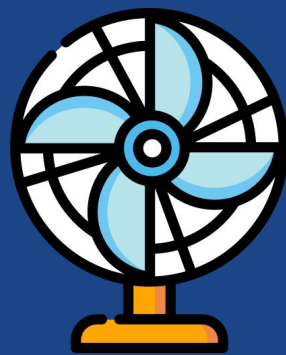
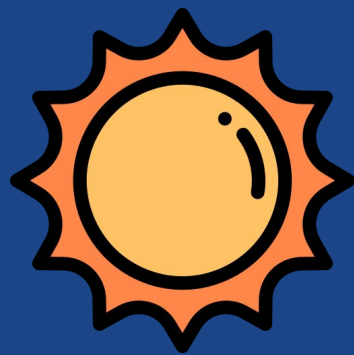
Welcome

As we end the last full week of term, I know both children and staff are looking forward to the summer break!

Hopefully you have all now received your child's Annual Report and End of Year Assessments (these were emailed to parents today). Children will also be bringing home a Pupil Reflection Sheet in which they consider the year gone by and it's successes as well as wishes for the future.

Today, the Year 3, 4 and 5 children spent some time in their new class with their teacher for next year. Hopefully, despite any concerns that are natural during transition time, they are excited for everything the next year will bring.

We would like to take this last opportunity to thank you for all your support this year and wish you and your family a wonderful summer.





22 July	Last day of term - 1.45pm finish
1st September	INSET Day - school closed
2nd September	INSET Day - school closed
3rd September	School starts - 8.45am

Year 3

Year 3 have had a wonderful final full week of term, packed with exciting activities and memorable experiences.

We were lucky enough to watch the Year 6 production this week, and the children thoroughly enjoyed the performance. They were an excellent audience and were inspired by the confidence and talent shown by the Year 6 pupils.

In Literacy, we have begun our final writing unit of the year, focusing on descriptive writing inspired by the rainforest. The children have already started developing ambitious vocabulary and using figurative language to bring the sights, sounds and atmosphere of the rainforest to life.

In Maths, we have completed our statistics unit by collecting data and presenting it using bar graphs and pictograms. The children have enjoyed interpreting the information and creating their own charts.

Year 3 (cont'd)

In Geography, we concluded our rainforest topic by learning about the different tribes that call the rainforest home, exploring their unique cultures and ways of life.

We finished the week with a fantastic Outdoor Learning Day before the children spent an hour getting to know their new Year 4 classrooms and teachers. It has been a lovely final full week of term, and we are incredibly proud of everything the children have achieved over the course of the year.

Year 4

Another hot week! We can't quite believe that our last full week of Year 4 is over.

In Maths, we have finished our last topic of statistics and we are so proud of how hard everyone has worked in their maths classes this year.

In Literacy, again, we have finished writing our final pieces which was a riddle and a kennings describing an Anglo-Saxon object. The children really enjoyed writing these.

We are also wrapping up our topic of Invaders and Settlers by ending with a lesson all about the order of the kings. The children have really enjoyed this history topic and we're sure they'll enjoy sharing their work in their topic books when they bring them home over the Summer.

It has been a fantastic year and all the Year 4 staff are very proud of all the children have achieved this year. We wish you a wonderful, sunny and restful Summer!

Year 5

It's hard to believe we've reached our last full week of term before the Summer Holidays! Year 5 has had another busy and exciting week filled with new learning and memorable experiences.

One of the highlights of the week was taking part in a **First Aid course**, where the children learnt valuable life skills, including how to respond in an emergency, treat minor injuries and help keep themselves and others safe. They approached the course with enthusiasm and maturity, asking thoughtful questions and demonstrating excellent teamwork throughout.

Literacy has been focusing on persuasive writing with a very important goal: encouraging others to support endangered species. The children have learned how to use a range of persuasive techniques, including rhetorical questions, emotive language, strong opinions, repetition and facts and statistics to back up their arguments.

Year 5 (cont'd)

In **Maths**, the children have been developing their understanding of time by converting between different units, applying their knowledge to a range of practical and problem-solving activities.

This week also included **our Move Up sessions**, giving the children the opportunity to meet their new Year 6 teachers and spend time in their new classrooms. It was wonderful to see their excitement and confidence as they began looking ahead to the next stage of their learning journey!

It has been a brilliant year and all the Year 5 staff are very proud of all the children have achieved! We hope everyone has a fantastic final week before a well deserved Summer break!

Year 6

This week has been an exciting and memorable one for Year 6, with our much-anticipated production taking centre stage. After dress rehearsals for the rest of the school on Monday and Tuesday morning, the children performed Rock Bottom, a hilarious Stone Age comedy, to parents on Tuesday and Wednesday evening. We could not be prouder of every member of the cast and chorus, who performed with confidence, enthusiasm and professionalism. The performances were a huge success and were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who came to watch. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the hard work and dedication the children have shown throughout the rehearsal process.

Away from the stage, the children have also been putting the finishing touches to some fantastic creative projects. In Design and Technology, they have been designing and constructing impressive model Anderson shelters, while in Art they have produced striking large-format abstract pieces inspired by the Second World War. It has been wonderful to see the creativity, resilience and attention to detail that has gone into both projects.

Year 6 (cont'd)

The return of the school field has also been a real highlight this week. The children have made excellent use of the space during Games lessons as well as enjoying some well-earned free time outdoors at break times and lunchtimes. It has been lovely to see them back on the field together after such a long wait, making the most of the extra space to play, socialise and enjoy the summer weather.

As we write this, excitement is building for the Year 6 Leavers' Disco tonight. It promises to be a fantastic opportunity for the children to celebrate the end of an unforgettable year together, and we hope they all have a wonderful time.

RECEPTION OPENING HOURS FROM SEPTEMBER

Please note that from September, the school Reception will close at 4:00 pm each day.

To help us support this change, we kindly ask that any enquiries, collections, or visits requiring Reception assistance are completed before 4:00pm wherever possible. If you need to contact the school after this time, please use the usual communication channels and we will respond as soon as possible during school hours.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support as we implement this change.

ITEMS DROPPED TO RECEPTION

There continues to be a significant number of items being dropped off at Reception during the day. We kindly ask all families to ensure that children arrive at school each morning with everything they need for the day, including lunches, PE kits, homework, musical instruments, and any other essential belongings.

We understand that mornings can be busy and that, on occasion, items may be forgotten. However, the increasing volume of drop-offs to Reception is causing significant disruption to our administrative staff and is taking up a considerable amount of time to deliver. Your support in helping to reduce daytime drop-offs is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Uniform Update

As you may be aware, the government has introduced new guidance regarding branded school uniforms. In line with this, the PE sweatshirt is now optional, and pupils may wear a plain navy sweatshirt instead.

The only branded uniform items required are:

- School tie
- Cleves cardigan or jumper
- PE polo shirt

These items can be purchased from AlleyCatz in Hersham.

If you are experiencing any financial difficulties with purchasing school uniform, please contact Miss Clarke, Wellbeing Lead, at gclarke@cleves.co.uk.

For further information about our uniform requirements, please visit the school website:

<https://www.cleves.co.uk/parents/uniform/>

New Free School Meals Eligibility

As you may be aware the Government are extending the Free School Meal eligibility. This will mean that from September 2026 all children from households in **receipt of Universal Credit** will be entitled to receive a free meal.

There will be two levels of Free School Meals, targeted and expanded.

Targeted FSM, which continues to be based on the existing threshold, covering pupils who are in households in receipt of Universal Credit with annual household earnings of £7,400 or less. This will include free school meals, an after-school club and financial support if needed for trips.

Expanded FSM, This is a new category covering pupils who do not qualify for targeted FSM, but who are in households receiving Universal Credit. These children will receive free school meals only.
If you think you are eligible, please click on the link below and complete the Eligibility form:

FSM Eligibility Form

If you are experiencing financial hardship at any time and need support, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Pyott - jpyott@cleves.co.uk or Miss Clarke - gclarke@cleves.co.uk

School Lunches

Please remember to book school dinners on Scopay at least 72 hours in advance and discuss choices with your child so that they are happy with what they are eating.

If your child has not got a booked lunch, we will expect that you will provide a packed lunch on that day.



House Points

Please see below for this Term’s House Points.

Windsor	Arundel
18,298	16,592
York	Warwick
17,819	17,000

Eco News

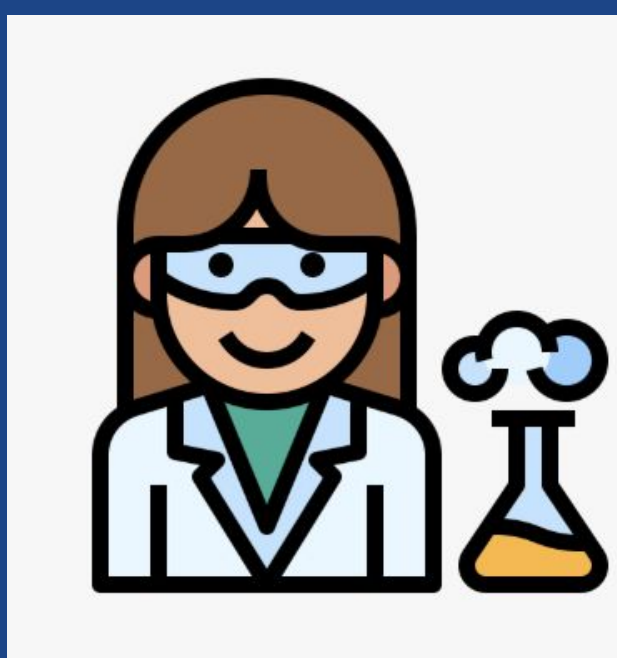
What is a Green Career?

A green career is a job that helps to conserve or protect our planet. Some jobs might be involved in designing and creating products that are more eco-friendly or that help us to live a more sustainable way of life. Other jobs might include advising people on adapting their company to become energy-efficient, managing green spaces and planning for their conservation, or running recycle schemes and encouraging others to recycle. In fact, there are hundreds of different opportunities for a career in the green industry!

This weeks green career is...

Data scientist:

As a data scientist, you could make sure to only store relevant data to reduce the amount of energy servers use.



Congratulations

Cleves Beginners Chess Club - Summer Term Results

Competition was tough for the Trophy this term. Congratulations to the winner and runners up, all Year 3 players with just one point separating them. Yigit took first place and picked up the trophy. Medals for runners up were given to Hugo, Daniel and Liam. Well done everyone and good luck in Intermediates next term.

Mrs Vannucci

Internet Safety

While online gaming offers primary-aged children dynamic opportunities for creativity, collaboration, and digital play, it also introduces distinct safeguarding challenges that require proactive oversight.

Popular platforms—most notably Roblox—operate largely on user-generated content, meaning that younger players can inadvertently encounter unmoderated material, gameplay themes inappropriate for their developmental stage, or commercial pressure through in-game purchases.

Furthermore, because these platforms feature interactive, multi-player environments, there are inherent risks regarding unfiltered communication, peer-to-peer bullying, and contact from unknown users. Establishing robust parental controls and maintaining open family dialogue are therefore essential first steps in ensuring that children's digital exploration remains both enriching and secure.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE THE FOLLOWING POSTER: [Link to poster](#)

Parking for Drop Off

A reminder to please take extra care when parking to drop off your children at the start of the day.

For everyone's safety, we ask that drivers avoid pulling up or stopping on the zebra crossing, as this makes it difficult for pupils and families to cross safely. Additionally, please switch off your engines when parked.

Thank you for helping us keep the area around school safe for all.



Cleves Hub Video Guide

We have put together a short video guide on how to navigate and sign into our Cleves Hub. This may be particularly useful for our new Y3 parents. The guide can be viewed by clicking the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7f6BHaEtfP0>



EMAIL



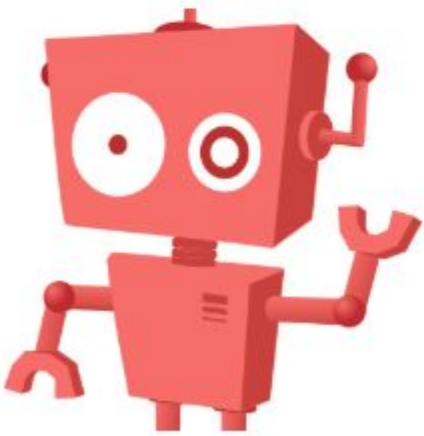
DRIVE



PUPILS' ROOM



CALENDAR



KIDDLE



CLASSROOM



TYPING WEB



CLASS

SEESAW

Absence Penalties

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

- If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
- If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

Absence Penalties

(cont'd)

- If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

Leave of Absence

Please be aware that we have introduced a new system for the recording of absence using a newly created page on our school website. This will allow us to centralise the messages we receive and create a smoother process for our staff.

The Absence Reporting Tab allows you to record:

1. Sickness (on the day)
2. Requests for absence from school - known in advance

Please note that the email address absence@cleves.co.uk is no longer in use. We kindly also ask that you do not email info@cleves.co.uk or office@cleves.co.uk with any absence information as these inboxes are not monitored consistently throughout the day. This will help ensure that your message is received promptly by our admin team.

Please find below the link to our new Absence Reporting form.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfPrvlzFARXff-ZCD60nzsAVpSxknSh-qbgtTrrCPu2qgD8YQ/viewform?usp=header>