

Cleves School

Newsletter - 22/04/22



DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 25/4 - Yr 6 Mock SATs Week
- 25/4 - Yr 5/6 Cricket League Fixture
- 26/4 - Yr 4 Residential Trip
- 29/4 - 3M Class Assembly at 2.45pm
- 4/5 - Yr 4 Ultimate Frisbee Competition
- 6/5 - 3K Class Assembly at 2.45pm

THIS WEEK

I hope you all had a good Easter break. It was lovely to welcome back the children this week and they have spent the last three days being immersed into their new curriculum topic. It has also been really heartwarming to hear about the many fundraising activities and the huge efforts that our children have gone to to support the people of Ukraine. Donations made online currently stand at an incredible £8426.06 and we have yet to count the money handed to us in person. Thank you for your support in helping your children to raise money for this important cause. We will provide you with a further update in due course once all monies have been counted.

Have a good weekend!

It's been a really busy three days on our return and **Year 3** have definitely hit the ground running! The other half of the year group had their rescheduled Ancient Egyptian day and had lots of fun dressing up and participating in a range of activities and

games to complete our fantastic spring term topic from a quiz, learning how to measure Ancient Egyptian style and witnessing the mummification of a pharaoh! We also started our new literacy topic focused on the Legend of St George and the dragon and discussed the difference between a myth and a legend. We also talked about who St George was and shared the story before acting it out in groups and identifying the main events. In maths, we have been focusing on identifying equivalent fractions using bar models and number lines. Next week, we will be comparing fractions. In games, we have started our summer sports rotation and begun to practise skills linked to cricket, athletics and tennis. In PE, we are learning the skills and rules linked to basketball. We have also started our new topic on rainforests and, in geography, have been learning about latitude; what it is and what it's measured in.

Year 4 has had a fantastic first week back! They have been busy solving and writing their own riddles in Literacy, exploring form and comparing them with a variety of kenning poems. We have started our new History unit, Invaders and Settlers, in preparation for Hooke Court and the fun activities planned for everyone who is staying at school next week! In Games we have started practising our skills of a variety of different sports including, rounders, tennis and cricket. We are also finishing our Science topic, Sound, by making our own ear defenders and conducting an experiment to see if distance affects the pitch or volume of musical instruments. We have started to develop our prior knowledge of fractions in Maths, as we have been finding fractions of amounts. Last term we were studying Hundertwasser's work in Art and this week we have brought all our learning together and created a bright and colourful piece of work, filled with texture, showing off our new skills.

It has been lovely to see everyone back in school and **Year 5** has as ever started the term as we mean to go on, with a full schedule. We watched and discussed the story of Treasure Island with the ultimate aim of children designing their own pirate and writing a descriptive paragraph about their

character. In Maths we have started the term by working with Decimals in many different ways. Land formations is the main Geographical theme of the term, we kicked off by looking at the structure of the earth and associated definitions. In Science we have the theme of all Living Things. We have commenced this section by looking at how plants replicated themselves and have started a long experiment growing potatoes. The competition is well and truly on to see who can be the most successful class. **Year 6** have had a wonderful start to the summer term. We have started our new topic on World War II, which the children are already engrossed in. Within our Literacy lessons we are reading Friend or Foe by Michael Morpurgo and we will be writing a third person narrative over the next couple of weeks. During maths lessons we have been studying graphs and charts and interpreting the data they contain. In Games this week the children all competed in an exciting Inter House competition and showed all the skills they have been learning within lessons. All the year 6 staff and students are excited for the term ahead.

NEW WEBSITE

You may have noticed that our website has been updated over the Easter holidays. If you have time, please check it out - www.cleves.co.uk

WORLD BOOK NIGHT

Join us on World Book Night!!

This year, the annual celebration of reading presented by The Reading Agency is on **23 April**. Select a book from this year's [recommended reads](#) and join in the **#ReadingHour from 7-8pm!** World Book Night is about encouraging everyone to find time for reading; if you're looking after children you can also share some time reading with them using our [Share a Story Corner](#) videos, [10 Minute Story Shares](#) and [World of Stories](#) audiobooks.

TRAVEL NEWS

Travel Plan

The last two weeks of the Spring term saw the school take part in the **Sustrans: Big Walk and Wheel 2022**. Thank you to all those that maintained their active travel methods. It was great to see so many scooters and bicycles in the school. Our records have landed us in the top 200 out of over 750 schools. In the last 8 school days we recorded 3828 school journeys with an active score of 83% (walk / cycle / scooting / park and walk). **Year 5** has recorded the most journeys, with a grand total of **1143**. Thank you all once again.

WOW Badge design competition

A remarkable number of entries were received for the Travel Tracker badge design competition. We will be posting all the entries soon so you can have a look at the wonderful array of designs. We clearly have some truly gifted artists who gave a great deal of thought to their badge designs. We have our fingers crossed that a Cleves design will make the final cut to be used next year.

SPORTS NEWS

Year 6 Dodgeball Competition

On Wednesday, ten Year 6 children attended a large dodgeball tournament held at Woking College. The sporting event, run by British Dodgeball, saw lots of intense and close battles with many other local schools. Cleves fought well in every game, showing off their excellent skills whilst collecting numerous points to add to their total. The children involved showed some fantastic teamwork, resilience and sportsmanship throughout and they should all be extremely proud of themselves.

Year 5/6 Girls Football Team

On Wednesday 30th March, the Year 5/6 Girls Football Team played an away semifinal in the ERPSSA League Cup against Stepgates. After a cagey start, chances started coming our way but a

solid defence from the home team kept the score goalless despite a frustratingly large number of near misses from Cleves! In the second half, we kept up the pressure and were finally rewarded with a goal, albeit from the keeper, following a corner. Two other goals quickly followed as the girls showed excellent link up play leading to a 3-0 victory for Cleves. Onward to the final! Well done to Marissa, Katie, Izzy, Jess H, Olivia B, Daisy, Charlotte B, Catherine and Eva.

Y6 Netball Tournament Winners

The Annual Elmbridge Netball Tournament Report written by Lucy, Daniella, Sophie and Florence.

These girls; Florence D, Sophia C, Daniella S, Lucy R, Daisy R, Emily N and Larni B were all selected to play in the Elmbridge Netball Tournament on Tuesday 29th March. It was an eventful day but they pushed through with determination. There was a mixture of wins, losses and draws throughout the tournament. After tough matches, they were delighted to find that they were through to the semi finals and then the final. They played against the Holy Family netball team in the final which was a very tight match but with Cleves winning 2-1. We are pleased to announce that they finished with gold and are to be awarded with a trophy. A special mention to Mrs Gaywood the netball coach, who has made these players who they are today!



INTERNET SAFETY

This week's free online safety article is all about spotting ads on social media

Social media has not only redrawn the landscape in terms of advertising exposure: it's ripped up the rulebook on buyer behaviour. Potential customers are now shown adverts based on their interests. Digital devices let us instantly convert that impulse to buy into an actual purchase. We can be persuaded that we want a product without even realising we've been advertised to.

This can be especially harmful for younger people. A recent survey, for example, found that 86% of teens regularly see adverts for junk food on social media; 62% reported seeing gambling ads (although rules on promoting this around under-18s have since been tightened). Our guide has some top ideas for helping youngsters to spot ads like a pro!

In the guide, you'll find tips such as paying attention to the account name, studying the hashtags for clues and being savvy with high numbers of likes and shares. To download the guide, please click on the image below.



THIS WEEK IN PICTURES

This week we have pictures of Y3's Egyptian Workshop.



AMERICAN BURGER DAY

We are holding a special school lunch next Thursday 28th April on the theme of '*American Burger Day*'. Please check your child's Scopay account for that day to ensure they like the option chosen.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Lauren Twilley's piano students Sophie Jenkins, Zoey Allen, Freya Sceats, Isla Sceats and Cameron Elmer. These students all achieved 80% and above in their recent piano exams. Each of them worked extremely hard so a big well done to all!

Timothy in Y3 also passed his grade two piano exam over the Easter holidays. Well done Timothy!

Well done to all that entered the Dragon Judo Club competition at Cleves school, Weybridge on Thursday 24th March 2022

- Charlie SJ Yr 5 - 4th place Bronze
- Gene Mellor Yr 5 - 2nd place Silver
- Tom H Yr 5 - gets the Trophy & 1st place with Gold.

Well done to you all!