



Cleves School
Learning Together

3rd October 2025

Welcome

It was wonderful this week to celebrate Harvest with a special service in the church, led by 5D. The clear delivery and beautiful singing helped us to reflect on how lucky we are and how we can share our resources, time and happiness with those around us. On this note, thank you to everyone who gave donations for the Foodbank.

Today, we were also able to celebrate the community around us in the Year 4 Mini Olympics. Local schools joined us to take part in different sporting activities and everyone showed excellent sportsmanship, making it an excellent afternoon. Thank you to Mr Smith for organising this event.

Have a restful weekend.





7th October	Y5 Science Trip
10th October	Y3 Outdoor Learning
10th October	PTA Spooky Discos
10th October	5N Class Assembly 1:30, 2:45
14th October	SEND Parent Consultations
15th October	Y6 Victorian Day (6B, 6S & 6T)
15th October	Outdoor Learning (6P, 6F & 6PD)
17th October	Flu Vaccinations
17th October	6P Class Assembly 1:30, 2:45



22nd October	Parent Consultations
23rd October	Parent Consultations
24th October	INSET
2nd November	PTA Fireworks Night
3rd November	INSET
4th November	Prospective Parents Open Evening @ 6pm (change of date)

Can You Match Fund?

Many companies offer their employees the opportunity to match fund fundraising efforts. These companies are wide ranging and can include big banks, supermarkets and companies such as Barclays and Amazon, as well as small local businesses.

Please check if your company is able to match fund our fundraising, especially with the PTA Fireworks event coming up soon. This would hugely benefit our children and what we are able to offer them.

If your company can match fund, please contact Mrs Green at ngreen@cleves.co.uk.

Thank you!

Thank you!

Last week we asked for contributions to support us in maintaining the excellent provision that we provide to the children at Cleves.

Our IT provision:

- Chromebooks 1 between 2 children
- Ipads
- Radio station
- Green screen
- Lego programming
- Sports screen for modelling
- And lots, lots more!

Links for this contribution, or whatever you can afford, is on your Scopay account.

Please look carefully at whether you are able to Gift Aid your contribution so that we can benefit from more, without cost to you.

A big shout out to Y3, raising a staggering £3,155.20 since last week! Y4 £750, Y5 £393 and Y6 £216 - thank you to all year groups, the donations are truly appreciated.

Please keep the contributions flowing!

Thank you!

[Request for Contributions](#)

Year 3

What a busy week in Year 3! Our Literacy unit ended with a Hot Task to write sentences that are correctly structured with punctuation, a subject and a verb - some children impressed us by also adding adverbs in their writing! In Maths we have reviewed our number bond learning from Year 2, and explored how this can help us when completing trickier calculations. We have also looked at fact families and how finding patterns with numbers can really help us.

Put those Sat Navs away, Year 3 are now expert map readers! This week we followed 4 figure grid references to locate different places on a map, we also had to use a key to interpret map symbols. In our PSHE learning this week, we discussed how important 'family' is to us and how we help each other in order to be safe and happy. It is wonderful to hear how helpful some children are at home.

Today, we enjoyed a lovely Harvest Service at St Marys church delivered by some of our Year 5 children. Year 3 children walked beautifully and listened well during the readings. Another super week in Year 3!

Year 4

Year 4 have been working super hard again this week! We have now concluded our unit on Playscripts where the children have copied their best versions of their Twit's revenge story into their Special Writing Books. We have introduced the children into their new unit - a warning story set by a river - which they are very excited for! In Maths, we now move onto looking at addition and subtraction, both with and without exchanging. We have put our investigation hats on again in Science where we have been exploring how to change states of matter. This week we have been using socks(!) to look at which variables affect the rate of evaporation. In Art, we are beginning to prepare the children for fabric printing within the next couple of weeks. In Geography, the children have enjoyed looking at some different maps to find out which bodies of water surround the UK and India, as well as trying to locate some of the main rivers throughout England. Last but by no means least, we attended a lovely harvest festival service performed by 5D to help us celebrate and acknowledge the work of those who grow food. Over and out from another busy week - we hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Year 5

It has been another jam packed week in Year 5! In Maths, we explored both mental and formal written methods for addition and subtraction, building on their knowledge from Year 4. This week the children have written their Battle of Bosworth recounts. They used stunning vocabulary and powerful phrases to bring the Battle alive, using “show not tell” techniques to capture how they might have felt if they were a foot soldier on the battlefield. In History, we explored the topic of why Henry VIII broke with the Catholic Church. We encouraged the children to explore various perspectives and engaged in some fascinating discussions. In Science, we continued to investigate the properties of materials, with a particular focus on thermal conductivity. This involved practical experiments where pupils assessed how different materials conducted heat. In PE, the pupils are continuing to refine their basketball skills, focusing on various throwing techniques and dribbling exercises. The children were excited to complete the big draw on Tudor portraiture and will finish off their portrait using oil pastels next week.

Year 5 (cont'd)

The children are very excited about Thorpe park on Tuesday and we shall report back next week on the fun they had experiencing all the STEAM activities which have a Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths focus. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

Year 6

This week in Year 6 has been full of exciting activities and learning. Classes 6F, 6P and 6PD took part in a memorable Victorian Day. The children dressed up, baked jam tarts, played traditional Victorian games and even experienced what it was like to learn in a strict Victorian classroom. In contrast, 6B, 6S and 6T embraced the outdoors as environmental researchers. They investigated a proposed development on the school field, gathering evidence and thinking critically about the impact on wildlife and the environment. Across all classes, our Literacy lessons saw pupils continue working on their Pickpocketing news reports, developing journalistic style and sharpening their writing skills. In Science, the children had lots of fun learning about micro-organisms. Using sweets, they designed and built creative models to show how micro-organisms look and behave. It has been a varied week, full of creativity, enquiry and hands-on learning for everyone.

Harvest Festival Donations

Thank you to all our wonderful families for the plentiful donations for Harvest Festival. The donations will be collected by Walton & Hersham Food Bank this afternoon and will help many local families.



PINS PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who completed the family voice survey recently. We have received really positive feedback about our parents and carers and staff completing it and getting involved. The next step in the project is for Family Voice to host a meeting at school and invite parents and carers to attend in order to gain a greater understanding of the school, the cohort and help to develop further inclusive improvements.

Our meeting with Family Voice will be on 22nd October, 9.15am-10.15am. If you are interested and able to attend, please click on this [link](#) to register your attendance so we can gauge the number of people attending and therefore an appropriate space to accommodate the meeting.

If you are interested to read more about the project, please read the following articles:

[Neurodiversity support scheme expands to 70 Surrey schools - BBC News](#)

[Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity celebrates the programme's expansion into 70 schools ac...](#)

We are looking forward to working with Family Voice, PINS and our families to secure further inclusive practices.

Internet Safety Guide

Last week's guide explored games consoles and how to talk with your child about their device. This week's explores smart speakers. It includes conversation starters and top tips.

To read this week's guide, please click on the image below.



On-line Gaming Concern

Please be aware that many online games are given an age rating much like movies. We would encourage parents and carers to be aware of the relevant Age limits of games that their children are playing and as a result the content of the games.

In addition It has been noted that children are using the open chat function, on these games when playing, with people that they do not know - this is clearly a huge safety risk and should be carefully monitored.

Please use the following link to see the advice from CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) regarding online gaming and the associated risks. [CEOP LINK](#)

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>



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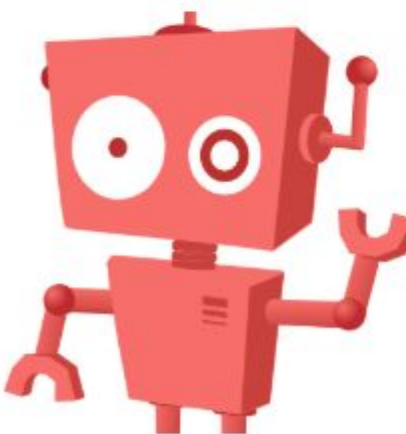
DRIVE



PUPILS' ROOM



CALENDAR



KIDDLE



CLASSROOM



TYPING WEB



CLASS

SEESAW

Eco News

**Recycle the unrecyclable
with TerraCycle®**



I am writing to you to share some exciting news - as a school, Cleves are going to continue working on and upholding our Green Flag accreditation.

With the world beginning to experience the effects of climate change - from different species of plant and animals becoming extinct, to micro-plastics being found in the most remote locations on Earth - now, is the time to take action.

The Eco-Schools programme empowers young people to create positive change by taking a lead on environmental actions and projects in their school and local community.

The Eco-Schools programme began in 1994 and is delivered in more than 100 countries around the world. The programme not only positively impacts our planet (for example, schools participating in the programme planted almost 50,000 trees during the last academic year), it also benefits young people, building teamwork and leadership skills, whilst increasing confidence and reducing eco-anxiety.

Eco News (cont'd)

Within Eco-Schools' simple framework, young people have the freedom to decide on the environmental issues they would like to tackle, the actions they would like to take, and how they are going to involve their school and community.

Our newly elected Eco Council recently met and received their Eco Council badges. We have begun assessing the school against the 10 areas:

- biodiversity
- energy
- global citizenship
- healthy living
- litter
- marine
- school grounds
- transport
- waste
- water

Eco News (cont'd)

We found that as a school, we are doing really well in lots of areas and have decided this year to focus on improving Cleves in the areas of **Marine, Litter** and **school grounds**.

Therefore, if you have any ideas about how we can work on these 3 areas please contact an Eco Council member or Miss Pisano.

We will keep you updated on our progress via newsletters, the radio, assembly notices and the Eco display board located in the library.

Many thanks

Alice

House Points

Windsor	Arundel
5,844	8,987
York	Warwick
4,972	6,499

Celebration Awards

Best Uniform



4E



Best Lunchtime Behaviour



6P



Best Values and Learning Behaviours



Year 3, 4L,
5N, 6F



This week's



Class of the Week

is

4L

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>