

Clifford Bridge News

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This Week at Clifford Bridge

As I type my newsletter this week I have heard the excited buzz coming from our "Polling Station" located just outside my office! Every pupil is casting their vote for the people in their year group who they feel would best represent the voice of pupils as a member of School Council 2017-18. We have been talking in assembly a lot this week about what a democracy is, and why it is so important within British culture.

Speaking of voting, I have launched an exciting new challenge for Year 6 this week. On the pupils' request, I have taken the decision to introduce a Head Girl and Head Boy role to Clifford Bridge. Year 6 have been set the challenge of formally applying for these positions, demonstrating with one side of A4 only that they have the necessary skills and attributes to fulfil the role. I cannot wait to see how they choose to approach this task, they have full permission to use their A4 sheet as creatively as possible, either writing, drawing, sculpture or something entirely 'out-of-the-box'. Staff will be voting next week, and we will announce our inaugural Head Girl and Head Boy in next week's assembly and newsletter. Good Luck Year 6!

Our Nursery children started their first sessions this week and have done remarkably well so far. Every year i seem to forget just how little they are! A very big Well Done goes to them for how brave they have been, and also to the poor mums, dads and grandparents waving them off at the door!

Thanks to those parents who attended Parents' Evening this Wednesday. It was so lovely to chat to lots of you, and I really do appreciate you going out of your way to tell me about some of the things you've been particularly happy with over the last twelve months. I agree that the school has had some really positive changes, and we are most certainly on an exciting journey to making Clifford Bridge Academy the very best that it can be.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, with any luck this rain will stop!

Mrs Amy Husband

Head Teacher



The School Calendar

Don't forget to check
Twitter for regular
updates



26.9.17
27.9.17
28.9.17
5.10.17

Year 5 Swimming
Reception Parents Meeting 4.00pm
National Poetry Day
Individual School Photographs

29th September 2017
Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Community Building, Everyone welcome to pop in and support or make a donation.

KS2

Year 3 and 4

We love our newest residents in the Lower Key Stage 2 corridor this year, no I don't mean the new Year 3 class ... we mean our beloved furry friends Tom and Jerry! They have made a brilliant first impression gaining many new friends over these first few weeks. Both year groups have begun a journey learning about Ancient Egypt which we hope will lead to many exciting discoveries. If anyone has deciphered the Egyptian hieroglyphics in our corridor, there will be Dojos awarded to all correct answers - come and tell a teacher. Also, who was this week's pharaoh... the one and only... Mrs Hiscox! Well done to all of you who guessed correctly. Keep an eye out for who our guest pharaoh will be next week!

Year 5 and Year 6

It's been another brilliant week in Year 5 and 6; everyone is really hitting their stride with work. The enthusiasm for our Theme- The Blitz- has been fantastic and the variety of questions and depth of questions that have taken place in all of the classrooms is incredible.

Both year groups have been using short films to spark the interest and flair of our budding writers. Year 5 have been building towards describing the eerie, desolate setting of 'The Lighthouse'. They have been using shades of meanings and pinpointing specific vocabulary to bring their setting to life. Year 6 have used 'The Piano' as the stimulus for their writing. They have focused on developing inference to help them empathise with characters in order to write a recount of the story. Keep an eye out for some of these pieces as they will soon be making their way onto display throughout the corridor

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Music Club runs from 3.15pm to 4.15pm not 4.30pm as stated.

100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RK	98.67%	3E	92.33%
RW	85.33%	3EV	99.26%
1C	97.33%	4T	91.38%
1J	99.31%	4W	99.03%
2M	97.18%	50	98.62%
2FS	97%	5Y	99.32%
		6A	98.13%

Whole School Attendance

96.36%

Best Classes Year 5Y 99.32%

Well Done!

We are pleased to announce our School Councillors

Year 2: Ben Wall and Lilly Howe

Year 3: Lilly Powers and Henry Beale

Year 4: Logan Bettison and
Crystal Williams

Year 5: Matthew Payne and
Eleanor Rowley

Year 6: Lauren Wall and Charlie Tayton



KS1

Year 1

"We have been very busy in Year 1 again this week - we started our Read Write Inc groups and also our new maths. We have been counting and finding different ways to represent numbers using objects, numbers and words. In PSHE we began to think about different emotions and what it means to feel safe. We thought of our own places where we feel safe. It was lovely to hear many children say that school was one of their safe places!

We also went on a walk to look at the different features of the school grounds and see if there were any signs of Autumn yet."



Year 2

Year 2 have enjoyed getting to grips with Maths No Problem this week during maths lessons. They have been having fun using the tens and ones to learn about the values of numbers, ordering numbers and partitioning them.



Year 2 also become artists this week when they learnt about the famous artist L.S. Lowry. They enjoyed evaluating his work and having a go at creating their own version of his well-known piece 'In the School Yard'.

Nursery

The children have done so well in their first week at Clifford Bridge Nursery! It is never an easy time but we are so proud of how they are beginning to settle. Amongst the tears, we have had lots of smiles and cuddles. It has been a tiring week and the children are all ready for a rest. We hope you all have a restful weekend and look forward to seeing all of the 'big boys' and 'big girls' on Monday.



Reception

This week in Reception we have been getting to know each other. We have been playing lots of circle games and finding out little facts about one another. Our story of the week this week has been 'It's Okay to Be Different' by Todd Parr. It is a beautiful book about accepting and embracing ours and others' differences

For more photographs check [Twitter!](#) @CliffordBridge @Cliffordnursery

Birthday Zone



Birthdays from 15th September to 24th September - 2017

Jay B	Bodhi M	Alexandra A	Jeevan S	Yulia M	Nasr O	Lewis P
Rushna I	Harvey S	Logan B	Sofia M	Weronika S	Nora-Grace R	

Merit Certificates



Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Avaani B	Dylan N	Lily P	Theo E	Nathan B	Amelia S
Laila-Mae H	Alfie N	Imogen E	Mitchell H	Luke McI	Indy W

