

# Clifford Bridge News

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## This Week at Clifford Bridge

This week has flown by here at Clifford Bridge Academy! From Head Girl and Boy polling stations right through to a very energetic Poetry Slam yesterday lunchtime, it has been a busy few days!

I would like to say a HUGE thank you to all the Year 6 pupils who put themselves forward for Head Girl and Head Boy. The calibre of applications was mind blowing. We laid the applications out all round my office and all members of staff spent lots of time reading them and deliberating where their vote lay, and I am just about to share the results in Merit Assembly which is very exciting! You all deserve praise for the time and effort you went to in order to demonstrate your many qualities in just one side of A4. Our inaugural Head Girl and Boy for 2017-18 are (drum roll).....

Maddy and Lewis! Well done to both of you, I am incredibly excited to see you grow into your new roles.

Thank you to all those children who took part in our Poetry Slam, and the enthusiasm with which the staff embraced it! I thoroughly enjoyed hearing some of your own poems and watching you grow in confidence each time you performed them.

Please keep an eye on diary dates, and please do keep parking sensibly around school!

Have a wonderful weekend

**Mrs Amy Husband**

**Head Teacher**

Just a friendly little reminder to please ensure that drinks bottles are kept separate from reading books and lots of books are getting water damaged in book bags.



## The School Calendar

Don't forget to check  
Twitter for regular  
updates



5/10/17

Individual School Photographs

10/10/17

PTFA Meeting

11/10/17

Year 5 Family Assembly

Year 3 & 4 Football tournament

School photographs on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October. All families will be done together and separately. If you want a photograph taking with a sibling who does not yet attend school please come at 8.30a.m.

## KS2

### Year 3 and 4

Year 3 have been continuing the quest in Ancient Egypt this week by investigating maps, weather charts and even booking a holiday for Mrs Docking! The mysterious Pharaoh of the week has been on display down the corridor... this week it is... Miss Jones.

Year 4 have been on an adventure into the wonderful world of Narnia. The pupils have been learning how to write engaging descriptions as well as immersing themselves in the book itself. We are up to the part where the four siblings, Edmund, Susan, Peter and Lucy have hidden from the 'Macready' and have sought refuge in the wardrobe... we can't wait to find out what adventures await for the Pevensie siblings.

### Year 5 and Year 6

We have once again been blown away by how hard everyone is working and the quality of work being produced in Year 5 and 6. It is so pleasing to see that this is extending into all subjects now too.

This week took on a slightly sporty slant in our phase. Both year groups were heavily involved with Kristian Thomas and set a brilliant example to the rest of the school on Monday. Then on Tuesday, Year 5 enjoyed a special, moonlit swimming experience at Coventry Swimming Centre and Year 6, started their 'Sports Leaders Award' work which is training them in how to lead younger children- something they will be putting into action at lunchtimes. Our final sporty note of week is that on Thursday we started our special Dance unit linked to WW2, which will be delivered by Miss Smith our new Dance specialist across the MAT.

# 100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RK	100%	3E	96%
RW	96%	3EV	97.04%
1C	96.67%	4T	96.90%
1J	98.97%	4W	96.90%
2M	99.31%	50	98.28%
2FS	98%	5Y	100%
		6A	99.69%

Whole School Attendance

98.13%

Best Classes Year 5Y and RK

100%

Well Done!

## Poetry Day

We had a fabulous time celebrating National Poetry Day in school on Thursday. There was a great turn out for our lunchtime Poetry Slam where we heard some excellent original pieces of writing as well as some well loved classics. It was the staff's turn to perform in the afternoon as the whole school took part in a poetry swap! Thanks to all who joined in the fun and delivered some wonderful performances.



## KS1

### School Days Launch

Key Stage 1 were visited by some past pupils and staff this week as part of the launch of their theme topic 'School Days'. The children were amazed to hear some of the changes that have taken place to the school building over the years and enjoyed hearing about the similarities and differences to their school experience. Jenny (Mrs Limb's daughter) and Lucy (Nancy's mum) told them about the school dinners (hard mashed potato in the shape of snooker balls), the lack of school uniform and all about their school routine. The children really impressed us with the questions that they asked and the interest that they showed. We would like to say a massive thank you to our visitors and also ask if any other parents or grandparents have any memories or photographs of Clifford Bridge from the past. Come and chat to a member of the Key Stage 1 team as we would love to hear about them!



## Early Years

### Nursery

Nursery have had a super second week and are beginning to settle with ease. The children have been learning the rules and routines and have been forming some lovely relationships. Thank you to all of you for supporting your children in settling into their new classroom and we look forward to another fantastic week next week. The children have done amazingly well with self-registration this week. We are very proud! We hope you all have a lovely weekend.



### Reception - Cinderella

This week we have been learning about the traditional tale 'Cinderella'. We shared the story earlier in the week and then began creating our own Cinderella stick puppets. A little later in the week we used our stick puppets in our new 'puppet theatre'. The children loved retelling the story with their



friends using their stick puppets! Thursday was National Poetry Day. We had a real treat and were visited by Mr. Woods (Y4) and Mrs. Tarka (Y4) who shared their favourite limericks and poetry.

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

### Birthday Zone



### Birthdays from 25<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October - 2017

Austin B   Eleanor R   Harry J-H   Dylan D   Kianna K   Hollie W   Penny H  
Ben C   McKayla N

### Merit Certificates



Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Ava P	Olly H	Zak J	Sophia M	Joshua H	Lewis P
Lucie P	Rowaida	Zara J	Katie B	Matthew S	

# Sports Update

## Kristian Thomas

**Awe and wonder.**



On Monday morning, we welcomed Great British, Olympic bronze medallist, Kristian Thomas into our school. All of the children completed a circuit with their class in the hall. The athleticism and determination on show were incredible.

As the morning drew to a close, we then all returned to the hall for a truly remarkable assembly. Kristian Thomas shared some of his experiences, top tips, took questions and demonstrated his awe-inspiring gymnastic work. Please visit the school's Facebook site for a glimpse of just how impressive this was.

Can we remind parents that the deadline for sponsorship money is this coming Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> October). The money raised will go partly towards helping athletes and partly towards new playground equipment.

## Clubs

All clubs are now up and running! We do have some spaces available in clubs so please check if you have seen something you are interested in. We are also trialling some morning clubs so watch this space for more news on these.

Apologies once again about the confusion with Netball Club for Years 3 and 4. I can confirm that it is on a Monday and it is free.

## We've got Gold!

As you will hopefully be more than aware of, we have had a real push on PE and Sport at Clifford Bridge over the last few years at Clifford Bridge. We were delighted to receive the news this week that have been awarded the Gold Sainsbury's School Games Kitemark.

The kitemark considers our provision for curriculum PE, afterschool clubs, competitions, inclusion and promoting excellence with sport. We are one of only four schools in the whole of Coventry to receive the award this year!

We would like to thank all of the children for their hardwork, determination and participation in so many events. We would also like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents and family members who cheer our teams on, help with lifts and support us as a school. Finally, a huge thank you goes to all of our staff who run clubs, give up their time to organise events, work so tirelessly in PE and act as such positive role models.



## Lunch Clubs

Unfortunately, the weather over the weekend has delayed the start of Running Club this week but we should be ready to go for next week. Year 6 are also leading a range of activities at lunchtimes as part of their 'Sports Leaders Award' so watch this space for more news.

