

# Clifford Bridge News

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## This Week at Clifford Bridge

We are all ready for the weekend here at Clifford Bridge! It has been such a busy week; with trips, assemblies, interviews and lots of exciting learning! Our Blitz themed lunch was an absolute blast on Wednesday, Catering Academy really pulled out all the stops! A big thank you to Lin and all our lunchtime staff for the enthusiasm and energy they put into the event. The WW2 themed lunch was so tasty, and the huge display of the types of veg grown at the time was very impressive. Hopefully you all saw the photographs on twitter and facebook. We had an extra 50 children for school dinners on this day, which was fantastic to see.

Please can I remind parents to park safely on drop-off and collection at all times of the day. Despite my weekly pleas for support with this I am still facing daily complaints from residents and other parents about unsafe parking. The time I spend dealing with these disputes and complaints would be far better spent on your children, their teaching and their learning. Even if you haven't been confronted directly about your parking, if it is unsafe parking it is very likely that someone has either taken photographs or descriptions of your car and has passed them on to me to deal with. Naturally, with over 400 pupils it takes an inordinate amount of time to get to the bottom of who these cars belong to. If everyone takes responsibility for their own safe parking (i.e not directly outside of school on the T-junction, not on the wiggly yellow lines and not blocking driveways or roads) then this issue would disappear. Please, please, **please** park safely and support school with this ongoing issue.

This term we are having another STEM enrichment day (**S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering and **M**athematics), after the fantastic success of Snap, Crackle and Pop last year. Over the next couple of weeks, please could children bring into school:

- lots of toilet roll tubes,
- kitchen roll tubes,
- clear (and cleaned!) plastic bottles with lids and
- clean yoghurt pots.

...All will be revealed as to their use very soon! Many thanks in advance.

I would like to say a huge thank you to you all for your completed Parent Questionnaires. Your feedback was overwhelmingly positive about our lovely school, with many of you taking the time to write personal comments on the back. There were a couple of common themes as to "it would be even better if..." and my Senior Team and I are looking into them, and coming up with fresh ideas to resolve them. I would like to say a very big CONGRATULATIONS to Mr Granger (Jasmin's daddy), whose questionnaire was 'pulled out of the hat' winning himself a bottle of fizz and some posh chocolates. 😊

Wishing you all a happy weekend

Amy Husband

Head Teacher



22/11/17

Year 3 Family Assembly  
Football at Ryton Connexion

### Year 3 and 4

Year 4 have been so excited to finally write their own version of a traditional tale in the style of the Russian tale, 'The Firebird'. They have shown incredible stamina for writing and they cannot wait to get them published for our class reading corner. There have been secret meetings, hushed whispers and mysterious gatherings in Year 3 this week. That can only mean one thing... family assembly time! We are really looking forward to their assembly next Wednesday where they will showcase all of their learning so far this year.

### Year 5 & 6

There has been yet more fantastic work completed across all three classes this week but the standout event has to be our trip to Coventry Cathedral. The way all of the children are building a whole picture of the war is simply brilliant.

The knowledge the children went to the museum with was clear for all to see and impressed the staff there too. Similarly, the behaviour of all groups was perfect. We met, interviewed and got to know a range of people affected by the blitz in Coventry and explored the old ruins of the cathedral. A special group even managed a private tour of the new cathedral.



## 100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RK	97.67%	3E	98.33%
RW	99.32%	3EV	97.04%
1C	95.67%	4T	98.97%
1J	94.83%	4W	99.03%
2M	99.33%	5O	96.00%
2FS	96.55%	5Y	95.67%
		6A	95.63%

Whole School Attendance is 97.23%

Best Class 2M 99.33%

Well Done



Thank you so much for your generosity we will let you know next week how much we have made



**KS1**

**Year 1**

This week Year 1 have been creating information leaflets for visitors to our school. They went for a walk and thought about what a visitor might need to know. They made notes and then wrote the most important information in their own leaflets. In Science we have been learning about our senses. This week we thought about taste and tried a variety of different foods including marmite and lemon juice. They had to decide which they liked the best and try to think of words to describe what each one tasted like. There were some different opinions about the marmite!"

**Year 2**

Year 2 have been using their extensive knowledge about Victorian schools to inform others this week. They each planned, drafted, edited and published an information text including paragraphs about learning, the classroom, rules and punishments and clothes. They thoroughly enjoyed sharing these with Year 3 during a session where we completed some peer review. The teachers have been blown away with the interesting facts that the children included and were impressed by the children's enthusiasm for the topic. Keep up the hard work Year 2!

In case you didn't know, Christmas begins early in Year 2! We have begun learning the songs for our Christmas performance and have started to practise our lines. The performance dates will be:

- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm

More information to follow soon.

**Early Years**

**Nursery**

In Nursery this week, we have had a fabulous response to the 'gloop'. The children have been developing their scientific understanding of changes to materials. They have been using descriptive vocabulary to describe how the gloop feels, such as slimy, gooey, squidgy and squashy, as well as a whole lot of messy fun! They also learnt that if it dries out, we can add water to reverse the process. We have been thrilled to have such a great response to Tapestry and lots of you have been uploading your wonderful moments with your little ones. We look forward to seeing even more. Have a lovely weekend everybody!



**Reception Superheroes and Children in Need**

This week the Reception children have had a 'super' superhero week. They have been creating great narratives as part of their small world play and have loved dressing up in the various superhero costumes. Friday was a fun-filled day; dressed in spots and eating cakes, the children learnt about this annual day and the causes supported from their kind donations. In Read, Write, Inc. we have learnt the sounds 'e', 'l' and 'h'. The Nativity preparations have started with the children learning two songs, so prepare to listen to lots of catchy songs!



**Birthday Zone**



**Birthdays from 13<sup>th</sup> November - 19<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

Ella B	Chloe M	Thomas B	Austine S	Jacob S	Theo E	Neve S
Brandon C	Samuel B	Lola B	Alfie C	Alfie N	Charlie B	Alex B

**Merit Certificates**



Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Annabelle C	Johanna O	Lexi J	Zaynab S	Noah B	Daisy F
Ella R	Maisy G	Joshua R Ion C	Amelia J	Yanai T	Daniella W

