

Clifford Bridge News

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This Week at Clifford Bridge

Well that was an eventful few days wasn't it? Thank you so much to each and every one of you for your understanding and support with school closures this week. The heavy snow-fall on Sunday really did put a spanner in the works, and I am incredibly grateful to you for bearing with us. It is always an enormous responsibility deciding when a school needs to be closed, not least because you're balancing the safety of pupils, parents and staff with the knowledge that a decision to close means hundreds of families are left needing childcare. I know it's not possible to please everyone, but I really do think we made the safest decision on Monday and Tuesday and I am very grateful to those of you who took the time to voice your support of my decision on social media and via email. Needless to say, the children have thoroughly enjoyed the snow this week! Thanks to all my staff who have gone above and beyond to ensure playtimes and lunchtimes were safe and fun. On that note... I'd like to publicly extend a massive thank you to Mr Whale. He really has worked his little snow-boots off this week making sure our site is as safe as possible. I dread to think how much grit he has had to shovel over the last six days! Mr Whale - you're a total star.

Well done to all our little performers this week! The EYFS Nativity and the KS1 performances were absolutely delightful. I couldn't believe how polished and professional they were, particularly given the sudden lack of rehearsal time at the beginning of the week. You were a joy to watch and once again, you made me cry! Thanks to parents and families for your support and donations at our Christmas Fayre. The PTFA did a cracking job once again, and raised enough to fund the purchase of stage lighting, which has made a huge difference to the quality of our performances. Thanks also to Mr Farrington-Smith and many of my staff who spent a good few evenings trying to fathom the operating instructions, amongst the 23 languages they were written in, English was not one...

Lastly for this week... WE MADE IT IN TO THE TELEGRAPH!!! Huge pat on the back for us all at Clifford Bridge. Following the publication of league tables nationally, Clifford Bridge Academy have been listed within the top ten performing schools in Coventry. We are absolutely delighted with this, and even prouder that two other schools in our Inspire Education Trust also made it into the top ten too. Well done all, particularly Mrs Docking!

<http://www.coventrytelegraph.net/news/best-performing-primary-schools-coventry-14039241>



News Education

These are the best performing primary schools in Coventry

On that happy note, enjoy your weekend and stay safe.

Amy Husband



18/12/17 Gold Merit Assembly 9.00am
 20/12/17 Year 6 Family Assembly
 21/12/17 Year 5 last bikeability
 Finish for Christmas 3.15pm

8/1/2018 Teacher Day
 9/1/2018 Back to School
 Young Voices Concert

Year 3 and 4

On the first day of Christmas my school sent to me, *an awesome Key Stage of great kids*. On the second day of Christmas my school sent to me, *2 chilly snow days*. On the third day of Christmas my school sent to me, *3 days back in school*. On the fourth day of Christmas my school sent to me, *4 superb classes*. On the fifth day of Christmas my school sent to me... *5 more school days to go!*



Year 5 & 6

With the reduced week, we've crammed a lot into the remaining days this week. Year 5 have been getting to grips with the beast that is Lewis Carroll's Jabberwocky. Exploring the language used and enjoying the somewhat different approach the poem takes. In addition to this, they have been tackling division in Maths. This is always the trickiest of the operations but they have made a fantastic start to it this week. Year 6 have been busy preparing the script for their upcoming family assembly and making difficult decisions around song choices. As well as this they have reflected on all of the fantastic Theme work they have completed this term.

100% Club Attendance

Class % Attendance			
RK	93.40%	3E	96.33%
RW	95.33%	3EV	97.04%
1C	94.33%	4T	96.90%
1J	96.90%	4W	94.67%
2M	94.%	5O	98.33%
2FS	94.83%	5Y	99.33%
		6A	96.56%

Whole School Attendance is **95.63%**
 Best Class 5Y 99.33%
Well Done

After School Clubs

The only afterschool clubs taking place week beginning 18th December:
 Street Feet Football Monday 18th Years 1 and 2
 Music Club Tuesday 19th December
 Street Feet Football Wednesday 20th December
 Years 3 and 4.

Clifford Bridge PTFA

A huge thankyou from the PTFA for all you support at the Christmas Fayre. We are pleased to say we raised over £800.00. The raffle will be drawn during an assembly next week. Well done to Zac K who one Guess the lollies in the jar. We really appreciate your help and support.

KS1

Year 1 and Year 2

It finally arrived...not the snow, our Key Stage 1 Christmas performance...Follow the Star! Despite 5 days without practise, Years 1 & 2 really pulled it out of the bag and delivered stunning performances all round. It's hard to choose a highlight of this heart-warming Christmas showcase as the performance was jam packed with so many shiny, little stars. Well done Key Stage 1, we are incredibly proud of you.



Early Years

Nursery

It has been a very festive week, although it has been short. The children have told us so much about what they got up to on their 'snow days'. A lot of fun was had by all and lots of fabulous snowmen were created! We have been learning a range of snowmen songs and practicing our counting. The children have been busy making calendars and Christmas cards, as well as practicing their wrapping skills in Santa's workshop. They are getting very excited about what Santa will bring them if they are good little boys and girls. Have a lovely weekend everybody and we look forward to our Christmas party next week!



Reception

That's 'Snow' Normal Nativity!

What a busy three day week we have had. The week started with two surprise snow days! The photographs submitted to Tapestry of the children enjoying the snow were delightful. We all expected to be back to school on Tuesday but the ice proved too dangerous. The children returned to school on Wednesday ready and raring to perform their Christmas production, 'Angel Express'. The children were true professionals and performed without a rehearsal for nearly a week. We continued our performances on Thursday (with a whole day of shows) and finished the week with a festive jumper day!

Birthday Zone



Birthdays from 6th December - 28th December 2017

Alfie D	Rose J	Amaiah M	Ion C	Julia J	Kiran D	Holly D
Kaydon S	Sarah A	Alfie B	Ellie F	Lilia S	Grace R	Logan T
Amelia S	Viraj L	Nancy A	Benjamin B	Isabella R	Ionatan C	Beth T
Evie C	Nabil N	Selma A				

Merit Certificates



Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Hol
Alex T-D	Jeevan S	Oliver M	Evie D	Troy C	All of 6A
Harvey S	Charlotte M	Jamie H	Kiran D	Ruby G Zachary K	

