

Clovenfords Primary School

Kindness Respect Honesty

Weekly Update – Friday 25th August 2023



Head Teacher's Update

Dear all,

It has been a busy first full week back. The children came together for our first Citizenship Gathering of the new session as well as celebrating our first Star Achievers of the year. We discussed house points, took house photos and enjoyed a Mr Men quiz and some singing together! Our older pupils are doing a wonderful job of being a positive role model for our younger children.

We have an agreed date for our Parent Council AGM. It will be held in the school dinner hall directly after our Meet the Teacher event on Tuesday 12th September and all are welcome. The Parent Council are a hugely important part of many of the activities and events that happen across the school year, not just in supporting with organisation and resources but also in working with the school to raise much needed funds. Your child benefits directly from this so please do think about coming along, offering your support or expertise or volunteering across the year. Come along for a tea or coffee and hear about the work we do in partnership together. Many hands make light work!

We are looking forward to welcoming YID into school on Monday for the children's individual school photographs. YID were the preferred photographer selected by families following a parental survey.

Wishing you all a lovely and peaceful weekend.

Mrs Saxon

Dates for the Diary

Monday 28th August	YID School Photographer – individual pupil photos
Friday 1st September	Curriculum Overviews published on Showbie Class Communication Groups
Friday 8th September	Travelling Book Fair in school
Tuesday 12th September	Meet the Teacher 6.00pm – 7.00pm
Tuesday 12th September	Parent Council Annual General Meeting (AGM) 7.00pm – 8.00pm
Monday 25th September	Cycle to School Week begins
Monday 25th September	Maths Week Scotland begins
Thursday 5th October	P3/4 Class Assembly

Parent Annual Calendar

Our annual parent calendar with key dates is now live on our website and a copy has been attached for you alongside this Update. Please note, there may be the odd amendment or change across the year which may happen due to circumstances outwith our control, however we will continue to use the Weekly Update to provide you with dates and times of events.

Play Resources

We are developing our play resources and play areas across all the classes this session. Play is important for children's creativity, problem solving and emotional and social skills and there are some resources we would love to have to support with this. Do you have any sets of the following at home that you no longer need or know someone who does? If yes, we would really appreciate donations of the following:

Uno
Loom Bands
Art and Craft Stencils
Dobble
Marble Run
Penny Float balls

**Table top table tennis sets
Marble Run**

Thank you for any help you can give with this.

SBC Respectful Relationships Policy

Following distribution of the final approved version of SBC's Respectful Relationships Policy, we have now included this on our website for you to access. We have included the summary alongside this week's Update. If you would like to read a paper copy of the full policy, please contact the school office and we will arrange a time for you to come in and read this.

Parent Council Halloween Costumes

If you have any spare or grown out of Halloween costumes that you would be happy to donate to Clothingfords, please pop these into school via the main office. This will support children who will be attending the Parent Council run Halloween discos to be able to borrow costumes for this event. Thank you.

Assembly

We had our first celebration assembly this week and were delighted to begin our Star Achievers again. The children enjoyed a hot chocolate and some home baking. Next Wednesday afternoon these children will bake for the new Star Achievers, so they too will have some home baking to enjoy with their hot chocolate on the Thursday.

Each week the children who bake for the new Star Achievers will also bring a piece of their baking home on the Thursday to enjoy.

Congratulations to the following pupils:



ELC	Samuel
P1/2	Ronnie
P2/3	Jackson
P3/4	Ivar
P5/6	Olivia
P6/7	Liam



Flu Immunisation

Please remember to return your child's flu immunisation letter to the school office. Many thanks to those families who have already done this.

Showbie

A reminder of your child's new class communication group code below:

ELC – EKUBWW
P1/2 – EHUDKB
P2/3 – ERQENY
P3/4 – EVPUM6
P5/6 – E397JD
P6/7 – EPV2TC

It is important that you join this to ensure you are up to date with the latest information and communications related to your child's class. Please contact the school office if you have any questions or require support to join.

Next week, once the new iPads have been delivered and are set up, you will be able to view your child's learning online.

Clothingfords



The Parent Council are pleased to inform you that our uniform hub has been inundated with donations over the summer holidays! There are lots of items so please come and have a look at our varied stock in all sizes.

We have a mixture of good quality, used items, including clothes embroidered with the school badge; as well as brand new uniform kindly donated by Asda. There are coats, shoes, trainers, PE clothes and even tights and socks!

The hub is accessible to all via the school office. Please ring the bell marked Reception to be given entry to the hub.

Small donations are gratefully appreciated but not expected. Our goal is to provide you with good quality school uniforms free of charge. Please pop along when you can to use this great facility.

Our Vision and *child friendly* version

Together we will strive to ensure that all children will flourish and be celebrated for their own unique abilities.

I am unique

All children will develop as lifelong learners with resilience, ambition and pride in their achievements.

I am a lifelong learner

Each child will know that they matter and that their voice is heard.

My voice matters

Communication

If your child will not be in school, it is important that you inform the school office by 9.00am. You can report absence by phone or email.

School office phone number: 01896 662755 **School office email:** clovenfordsps@scotborders.gov.uk

School Twitter (X) : @Clovenfords_ps

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