

# Clovenfords Primary School

**Kindness Respect Honesty**

Weekly Update – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024



## Head Teacher's Update

Dear all,

It has been another busy week in school. Yesterday the children enjoyed a lovely assembly, led by the P5/6 class and today we have had our Open Morning where the classes have been showcasing some of their Scots learning. Many thanks to everyone who was able to attend. It has been lovely to see you.

Our P7 children are looking forward to their Burns Supper next week and our whole school Scots Assembly next Thursday will be a real celebration of all the Scots learning that is taking place over the next few weeks.

### Apple Education visit

On Monday we will be welcoming a number of visitors from Austria and Apple Education UK, who are coming to find out more about our digital learning in school as part of the Inspire Learning programme. We are delighted that our school has been recognised by the authority as one which is effectively utilising technologies to support and enhance the children's learning. Our visitors will get a chance to visit the classes to see the children's digital learning in action. With this in mind can we please ask that you are extra vigilant about your child, if they are in P4-P7, coming into school with a fully charged iPad on Monday? Many thanks for your support with this.

Wishing you all a safe and peaceful weekend.

*Mrs Saxon*

## Dates for the Diary

<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Curriculum Overviews published on Showbie Class Communication Groups
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	Parent Council Meeting – 6.30pm – all welcome – *LINK BELOW
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January</b>	P7 Burns Supper – 2.00pm – all P7 parents welcome
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January</b>	P7 Transition Evening at Clovenfords Primary School 6.00pm
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January</b>	P6 Bikeability Week (Mon-Wed)
<b>Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January</b>	Citizenship Gathering - Caddon House Families invited – 9.15am
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	P2/3 Class Assembly – 1.30pm – all P2/3 parents welcome
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Building Resilience Family Learning task issued – Have A Goal
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Half Term begins – school closed to all
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	In Service Day – school closed to all pupils
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Pupils resume
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	World Thinking Day – pupils invited to come to school in Brownie/Scout/Cubs etc. uniform
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World Book Day
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Building Resilience Family Learning Task due – Have A Goal
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Open Afternoon Café Conversations – 1.30pm
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Pupil Progress Consultations - 5.00pm-7.00pm
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	P6/7 Class Assembly – 1.30pm – all P6/7 parents welcome
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Pupil Progress Consultations - 4.00pm-6.00pm
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Easter Holidays begin
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	All resume

## Oops! - Change of Date Charity Bake Sale

You may have noticed on last week's Update that we included a Charity Bake Sale in the 'Dates for the Diary' section that was due to take place this term. The proposed date was Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March, however this is the first

day of the Easter holiday break therefore we will reschedule this event for next term. An update on this will follow shortly.



### Parent Council Update

Our next Parent Council Meeting will be online on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 at .6.30pm. We hope you will be able to join us. The Teams link is below:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup->

[join/19%3ameeting\\_MWUwOWZiMzAtMmZmOS00NjJiLThmNTktMGMzYTdiOGRLMWFk%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2210efe0bd-a030-4bca-809c-b5e6745e499a%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22f4c408d2-8383-4bae-b4a5-2c6029abf3ec%22%7d](https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_MWUwOWZiMzAtMmZmOS00NjJiLThmNTktMGMzYTdiOGRLMWFk%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2210efe0bd-a030-4bca-809c-b5e6745e499a%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22f4c408d2-8383-4bae-b4a5-2c6029abf3ec%22%7d)

### Parent Council Newsletter

Please also take a few minutes to read the latest Parent Council Newsletter, which is attached. It is a fantastic round up of all that has been happening this year so far – and really highlights the many ways that the Parent Council support opportunities for our school and your children.

### Arrangements for winter school transport/cancellations/route amendments

Please remember that during the winter months SBC's School Transport team now use the Scottish Borders Council website to provide updates on school transport affected by weather or road conditions. The webpage can be found at [www.scotborders.gov.uk/wintertransport](http://www.scotborders.gov.uk/wintertransport) and will be updated from 7.30am as and when required.

It is important to remember that in normal circumstances children should not wait more than 15 minutes for the bus, but in severely cold weather please use your own judgement. If you decide to take your young person to school yourself, you will be expected to collect them at the end of the school day.



### Wider Achievements

Well done to Hadley who has learned to ride her bike! A great example of a wider achievement which is so nice to be able to share with Hadley and the rest of our school!

Please do email or send your child in with any certificates, trophies or stories or examples of learning that is taking place outside of school. We love to hear about these and our wider achievements display is helping to showcase these and celebrate the children as unique and lifelong learners.

### Junk Modelling

We are looking for clean, recycled plastic bottles, cardboard boxes, tubes etc., to support the children's creativity and problem solving skills through being able to use these in their junk modelling play. Thank you.

### Primary 5/6 Class Assembly

This week our P5/6 class led our assembly with a theme of Hopes and Dreams. The song and the dancing were particular highlights. The children spoke very enthusiastically about this theme and even after the assembly continued to share why they had chosen this.

Congratulations to the following Star Achievers for showing our school values in action, for using their learning powers effectively to support their progress, and for showing their ongoing understanding of our school aims:



ELC	Cora
P1/2	Maisie Mae
P2/3	Myla
P3/4	Rowan M
P5/6	Cooper
P6/7	Sean





### School's Out Clovenfords

A reminder you can contact School's Out at: [admin@schoolsoutclovenfords](mailto:admin@schoolsoutclovenfords)



### Clothingfords

Clothingfords is available for you to come and browse at any time across the school day as well as during after school and evening events. Please do not be shy about coming in to use this great facility! There is a great mixture of good quality, used items, including clothes embroidered with the school badge; as well as brand new uniform kindly donated by Asda. 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.

#### **WANTED!**

If you have any children's wellies that no longer fit and are in good condition we would love to have them for our hub. Thank you for the donations so far – keep them coming!

### 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](mailto:clovenfordsps@scotborders.gov.uk)

**School Twitter (X) :** @Clovenfords\_ps

**School website:** [Clovenfords Primary School – Kindness, Respect, Honesty \(glowscotland.org.uk\)](http://Clovenfords Primary School – Kindness, Respect, Honesty (glowscotland.org.uk))