

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Autumn Newsletter No. 2

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Dear Parents

ASSEMBLIES

Dates set for this term are as follows:

18th September School Council elections assembly
25th September KS1 and KS2 Celebration
2nd October "What's new at Clinton" assembly
9th October Y6 France assembly
16th October KS1 and KS2 Celebration
23rd October Record of Achievement assembly
All parents and friends are welcome to join us every Friday morning at 9.00.

PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING

Most parents have intimated that they will be coming to the information evening this evening, where teachers will take you through timetables and topics, homework and expectations in new classes. Please try to come as we would like to see you **all** there where possible. It would be great to have a parent from each family and if this is tricky with childcare, bring children along if it helps.

RED RIDGE

Preceding the information evening (see above), at 6.15pm there is a final meeting about Red Ridge, in the Y5 classroom, to go over more detailed arrangements.

OUR NEW RECEPTION CLASS

We're very glad to welcome our new Reception children who have now almost completed their first week of full-time schooling. As you can see from the photos overleaf, they are having a great time settling into school life. Welcome also to those children who have joined us in other school years – we're glad to have you here too!

FMSIS

Governors, Mrs Pettman and I have been working hard to ensure we meet the strict criteria of a financially well managed school and have achieved the mark. Thanks to those who've helped – in particular Mrs Pettman who created a file the size of a house.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our annual Harvest service will take place on Monday 28th September, at the United Reformed Church. A separate letter will be sent home shortly giving details of the arrangements. Please note that this letter will also ask for your permission for your children to take part in other local visits during their time at Clinton.

CHINESE MORNING EXERCISES

Would any of our parents be willing to run some brief Chinese exercise sessions? We would like to run these at 8.35 in the hall, and would offer them in the first instance to children in Y3. There is a DVD of the exercises for anyone keen to learn. Please let the office know if you would be willing to help. Thank you.

KENILWORTH SCHOOL OPEN EVENING

Y6 will be receiving information soon about the open evening on Thursday 1st October, from 6.00 – 9.00 pm. Mr Abbott, the headteacher, will address parents and prospective pupils at 6.30 and then again at 7.30.

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Please remember that if your child is unable to attend school through illness, it is helpful to us if you ring the school office at the beginning of their absence. Alternatively you may prefer to send a note in to the class teacher or email us at admin2308@we-learn.com.

HEALTH MATTERS

Just a reminder that if your child needs to take medication at school, you are asked to bring the medicine in to the office (clearly labelled) and to complete a permission form to enable staff to administer it. Please remember also that if your child has a stomach upset, they should not return to school until 24 hours after the last bout of sickness. Thank you.

USE OF THE PLAYGROUND BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

Please oversee your children before and after school in the playground, as, for safety reasons, they should not be playing with equipment, or going on the adventure playground in KS2. Children from Y3 – Y6 are not allowed on the train and boat in the KS1 playground, as this equipment is not designed for use by KS2 children.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Please could you ensure that children with long hair have it tied back for swimming lessons. This is for safety reasons – long hair could become trapped in the drains and prevent a swimmer being able to return to the surface. It would also be appreciated if children did not wear watches on days when they swim. Advance notice - Y6 will need to have old pyjamas to wear for personal survival lessons after Christmas.

CHESS ROCKS

Chess Club starts tomorrow afternoon. Everyone who has paid has been allocated a place.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have received some uniform from the suppliers this week, but most of the items ordered over the last week are not included in this delivery. We hope they will be supplied next week. Uniform is delivered in named bags and is given to children to bring home, normally on Thursday afternoons.

DUATHLON

There will be a duathlon at North Leamington School on Saturday 17th October. Details and entry forms from the carousel outside the office.

PTA NEWS

The AMG takes place on Tuesday 6th October. Please come along if you possibly can – the PTA can't operate without parents!

Please remember that Auction Night is planned for Saturday 10th October – letters were sent home earlier this week. Please give this event your support.

Yours sincerely

**SAM PATER
HEADTEACHER**