

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

ASSEMBLIES

Tomorrow we have a Y3 assembly, following which I will be giving out Headteacher's Record of Achievement awards. Do join us if you can. Dates for the next half term are as follows:

6 th March	KS1 Celebration
13 th March	"What's new at Clinton" assembly
20 th March	Y2 assembly
27 th March	KS2 Celebration assembly
Thursday 2 nd April	Headteacher's Record of Achievement and Good Neighbour awards
3 rd April	Easter assembly

WELCOME BACK!

We will be delighted to welcome Mrs Angela Fairbairn back on her return from maternity leave after half term. Mrs Fairbairn will be returning to Y2 to teach on a job-share basis with Mrs Hazel Jackson. We are very grateful to Mrs Jackson who has taught Y2 so ably since September, and we are very glad indeed that she has agreed to continue at Clinton after half term.

TERM DATES 2009-10

Dates for the next school year are printed on the back of this newsletter. Term dates (and newsletters) can also be seen on the school website.

PARENTS' EVENINGS

These take place on Tuesday 24th and Thursday 26th February. As Tuesday is the first day the children are back at school after half term, it is essential that we send out appointments tomorrow. Thank you to everyone who has sent back their reply slips already; if we do not have your slip by tomorrow we will not be able to take your preferences into account when allocating appointments.

SWIMMING FOR Y3 & Y5 AND SCHOOL MEALS

Responses were due by today; thank you to everyone who has replied. Dinner replies must be received by 9.00 tomorrow if your child wishes to have school meals after half term. PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ORDER MEALS IF WE DO NOT RECEIVE YOUR REPLY SLIP TOMORROW. Thank you.

CHIME

The AGM of Clinton's musical charity took place at Clinton yesterday evening. I am very pleased to report that Kevin Purdy has agreed to serve as Chair again for the coming year. Mel Elkington and Stewart Worthington have stepped down from their respective roles as Treasurer and Secretary (though they remain on the committee), following around 8 years of service – the school is really grateful for all they have done. Andy Cherry and Jane Eite were appointed as the new Treasurer and Secretary. Over the last few years, CHIME has contributed £3000 per year to the school budget. These donations have ensured that we can continue to provide a specialist music teacher to provide recorder lessons and orchestral activities, helping Clinton to remain one of the most musical schools around! CHIME needs to boost its fundraising, so watch this space! (and see Spring Concert details below).

SPRING CONCERT

This is planned for Tuesday 24th March at 7.00 pm. We are planning a fantastic evening of music! CHIME is also planning a repeat of last year's Easter Hamper raffle – watch this space for further details!

DONATIONS AND LANTERNS...

Many thanks for your donations for the Red Cross China earthquake appeal. You raised £94.90. The lanterns children brought in for the close of Chinese New Year are fantastic and will soon be hanging in the hall for all to see. Well done to all the children – and their artistic parents!

... AND MORE DONATIONS

December seems a very long time ago, but I'm sure you will also be glad to know that following the Christmas productions, we have been able to donate £118.55 to the RSPCA and £137.55 to the intensive care unit at University Hospital. Thank you for your generosity.

CHINA – BUILDING BRIDGES IN KENILWORTH

An event organised by U3A is being held at Abbey Hill United Reformed Church on Wednesday 4th March, led by Chinese students from the Warwick University. Further details from <http://midwarks.info.kchinaday/> or from the poster in the reception area. Registration essential.

PTA NEWS

THE CAKE SALE AND SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE takes place after school tomorrow! You should have received details earlier this week. We would be really grateful for as many cakes as KS1 parents can produce, and for as many parents as possible to come along and buy them. Home-made cakes would be great, but bought ones will be equally welcome! As the kitchen is unavailable, the office staff will be very happy to look after any donations.

VARIETY NIGHT 2009 takes place on Friday 13th March. Letters were sent home earlier this week – don't forget to return your slips by Friday 27th February if your child would like to take part, and please put the date in your diaries.

YELLOW MOON You should have received your new catalogue by now. Please send in your orders by 27th February if you want to avoid paying postage and packing, and please note the cheques should be made payable to "Clinton School PTA", NOT to Yellow Moon. Thank you!

Yours sincerely

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