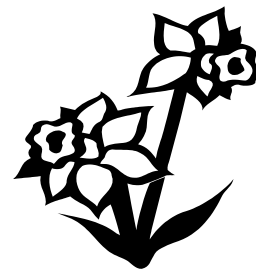


# CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

### ASSEMBLIES

Tomorrow we have our Y2 assembly and on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March there will be a Celebration Assembly. Please note that the Y4 assembly will take place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March and the Y3 assembly on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March. Family and friends always welcome!

### WONDERWALLS

Many of your children will be talking about our 'Wonderwalls' which are appearing in classrooms. Children are being encouraged to put questions that they would like their teachers to find the answers to on walls in classrooms. The idea is that we are able to model to children the skills and attributes that are required to come up with an answer to the question. We are trying to teach children how to become good learners and modelling good learning is something really valuable you could try at home.

### HANDBELLS

The handbell group will meet after school tomorrow.

### SPRING CONCERT - 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH AT 7.00 PM

If you have already sent in your slip to let us know whether your child can take part, thank you. If not, please send in tomorrow. If you have kindly offered to help with refreshments, please speak to Chris Benson when you arrive on the evening. Thank you!

### GOLDEN LEARNING

KS2 Children will be meeting the leaders of golden learning on Friday afternoon after putting in their options today. The choice open to them is superb, with new options such as 'funky freestyle dancing' and 'stage school' being delivered by a local dance teacher and a drama specialist. Our Cook, Marie, will lead a cooking course for some children and many parents have volunteered their time to share their expertise in a range of different activities. The children can't wait to start.

### CHINESE NEW YEAR - PAPER CUTS AND NOODLES!

As you know, your children came home with templates for paper cuts so they could bring one in to school to help us decorate and celebrate Chinese New Year. We have some fantastic ones but it would be even better if we could have more. Helen Lewis' input into Mandarin sessions is always exciting and this week she has held two Chinese New Year Parties in the hall with the help of parents Sarah Liu Lee (and her one-year-old daughter who had a wonderful time!) and Dr Ding and visiting teacher Susan Chiang. The children have had great fun eating using chopsticks to eat noodles! You can see some photos overleaf.

### CHIME FILM SHOW

Thank you to all the children who came to the film show last Friday who enjoyed a very good film, with an impromptu sing-along in the middle! We raised £120 for CHIME. There will be another Film Show at the end of term; details closer to the time.

### PARENTS' FORUM

This takes place this evening at 7.30 pm - please come along, share your ideas and help us make Clinton an even more special community. All welcome! Those who have been before - try and bring a friend!

### ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION COURSES

As a follow-up to the chart and stickers at parents' evenings, we're arranging for some "Keeping up with the children" courses - letters are being sent home today.

### BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION

Thank you for your generous donations at our "wear red" day last week. We'll let you know what we raised.

### CYCLING AWARENESS FOR Y5 AND Y6

If your child would like to take part, please make sure you send in your reply tomorrow.

### SPRING TERM MUSIC TUITION BILLS

Payments were due earlier this week - thank you if you have paid, please do so very soon if you haven't!

### FOOTBALL MATCH LAST WEEK

Congratulations - our footballers beat St John's 4-1!

### TODAY IS WORLD BOOK DAY

As a change from our usual "dress as a book character" activity, we have a real life children's author visiting tomorrow. He'll be giving a talk to the whole school after lunch. The children will be bringing some information home tomorrow, but if you'd like to know more in the meantime, you could look at [www.er-reilly.co.uk](http://www.er-reilly.co.uk).

### PTA NEWS

Tomorrow is the last day for returning **Invitation books** - any late returns could cost the school, so please, please return your unused book or send in a cheque for £22.99 payable to Clinton School PTA.

Friday March 19<sup>th</sup> is **wear what you like day** in exchange for an Easter Egg or Chocolate contribution to our Tombola at the **Bunny Hop Disco** - which is the next day (Saturday March 20<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm) - this year we will also be having a small jumble sale along with some favourite stalls and refreshments. Entry is only £1 which includes a cup of free squash!

**Variety Night** is Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April with rehearsals the previous Saturday (24<sup>th</sup> April 2-4pm)

Advance Notice for October 9<sup>th</sup> - We have just booked Terry & Roy our fantastic auctioneers, for Auction Night!! This is a fantastic fundraising night, mark the date in your diaries now!!

### Help?

The Summer Fair theme this year will be the World Cup - if any one has any prizes for the raffle that they are willing to donate we would be very grateful - obvious ideas could be football or WAG themed but anything you are able to offer would be fantastic! We are looking for a Grand Prize Draw 1<sup>st</sup> prize - could you, a contact or company help us?

We have also been made aware that some companies offer 'match funding' for charity fundraising events - if your company does and you would be interested in supporting Clinton School PTA then please let us know.

Yours sincerely

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