

# CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Summer Newsletter No. 2

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Dear Parents

### ASSEMBLIES

Tomorrow we have a Celebration assembly and on 30<sup>th</sup> April we have "The Big Tidy-Up" recycling assembly. Please come along and join us if you can.

### MAD SCIENCE

A fourth and final course will run from 26<sup>th</sup> May – 7<sup>th</sup> July. There are still spaces if anyone else is interested.

### YEAR 6 REPRESENTING CLINTON AT THE SOLDIERS' HOMECOMING PARADE

Year 6 children were at the homecoming parade yesterday to represent the school in welcoming home and respecting soldiers who have returned from Afghanistan. Having studied World War 2 in depth at school and in France, the children have a great deal of empathy and awareness of the sadness of war and the sacrifice soldiers have made for us. Their good behaviour showed as a result.

### TENNIS FESTIVAL FOR YEARS R - 3

As mentioned last week, this will take place tomorrow. Children will need outdoor PE kit for tennis sessions with a qualified coach. They will have the opportunity to practise and develop their tennis skills.

### RECORDERS AND ORCHESTRA

Well done to all the children who remembered to bring their instruments on Monday! Please keep remembering every Monday!

### DINNER MONEY REFUNDS

If your child missed any school meals last term, there will be a refund for you. Amounts under £5 are being sent home with children, but we ask you to collect any larger amounts from the office. Thank you. 'Favourite meal' letters are also being sent home this week.

### WOODWIND LESSONS

Please note that these will take place on Wednesday, not Tuesday next week.

### GOVERNOR BLOG

Orla Davis, who is the newest member of the governing body, will soon be beginning a blog which will enable more communication from the governors about key issues at school. There will be a link from the school website and we are hoping that it will enable people to see more about what is going on at school both in terms of decision making but also in terms of how we are constantly evolving to do the best for the children of Clinton. The first thing that Orla will be writing about will be issues that have been thrown up by the parent questionnaires. Although it will only be Orla's text that appears on the blog, there will be a chance to respond and raise questions. Many of these, in turn, will be answered and an ongoing debate about the development of the school can continue. In the next week or so the link will appear on the Clinton website and I'll let you know for sure when it's there!

### SCHOOL SPORTS

One parents' netball club has begun on Monday evenings following the parents' forum idea for adults to get involved in sport to role model healthy lifestyles to children. Monday was the only day when enough parents could make it. The club is permanently open to more parents (women only!) and Kim Meaden or Shelagh Boneham would be the people to speak to if you wanted to come. The club is social rather than serious and enthusiasm is far more important than skill! It may be possible to set up a Tuesday club because there are nearly enough for that day too, but we would need some additional numbers.

If you put down that you wanted to do some rambling at the weekend, then you will be contacted shortly and invited to a meeting. The format of the rambling will be that people who attend the meeting will take it in turns to plan a route and a starting point each weekend. School shares that information and anyone who wants to turn up at the starting point can. There will be no commitment to go every week except from the person who has planned the route.

I'm still looking into the feasibility of other sports clubs although the numbers are lower for those.

### PTA NEWS

**Variety Night** is just around the corner! Thank you to those performers who have returned their slips. There is still time to get your act together; additional forms are available from the school office. The rehearsal will take place in the school hall on Saturday 24 April 2-4pm (3-4pm for KS1). Refreshments will be available. Even if you can't make this date but would like to perform on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April we'd still like to hear from you so please complete a form. If you are able to help on the night we would be really grateful - please see Becky, Gemma, Jennifer or Sarah or reply to the offer of help letter sent home recently.

Tickets will be on sale at the rehearsal and a letter will follow at the beginning of next week.

Plans for this year's **Summer Fair** are also well under way. The 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. We are also looking for a Grand Prize Draw 1st prize - could you, a contact or company help us?

Yours sincerely,

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