

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES AT 9.00 AM – ALL WELCOME!

Please join us tomorrow if you can for our Record of Achievement assembly. It's the Red Ridge assembly on 7th November – Y5 parents won't want to miss this, and Y4 parents might want to see it ready for next year!

TRAINING DAY FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

This date has now been set, leaving one remaining training day to be arranged for this academic year. Please don't send your children into school that day!

CLINTON TIMES OUT THIS WEEK!

Our first Clinton Times of the year has gone to print! It has new journalists writing for it, from year 5 – with some year 6 children editing too. PLEASE take the time to read it with your children. The benefits to them are

- a. that they're encouraged to take an interest in what's happening in school and in what other members of their community (children) are contributing;
- b. that it introduces them to writing in a range of styles and genres in a fun relevant way.

CLUBS AFTER HALF TERM

Letters sent home this week include:

Drama: 2 letters, one about Wednesday after-school club and one about morning sessions – for Years 4 – 6; **multisports** (Wednesdays) – Years 1 and 2; **tennis** (Fridays) – Year 3; **football** (Mondays) – Year 5. We're trying to confirm **street dance** (Tuesdays) for Y5/Y6. 5&6.

Y5 PARENTS – SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The deadline for applications is 31st October and it is essential that you apply by this date for places in September 2014 – see www.warwickshire.gov.uk.

GOLDEN LEARNING

We're really grateful to parents (and grandparents) who volunteered to lead Golden Learning. The children have thoroughly enjoyed it! Please think about supporting us next time we do this, which will be before Easter.

REMINDER: STAFF VACANCIES

As mentioned last week, we're looking to recruit a midday supervisor and a cleaner - please look for the advert on www.wmjobs.co.uk or enquire at the office.

PARENTS' EVENINGS – 21ST AND 23RD OCTOBER

Thank you for supporting your children by attending parents' evenings. We know that they do so much better when we're working together.

INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS – 3RD NOV

This is the first day back after half term, so this is our last chance to remind you! Please see last week's newsletter for information. Remember that if you have more than one child here, they will have their photo taken together. **If you wish to have individual photos as well, we need written confirmation no later than tomorrow morning.** Thank you.

CHIME CAKE AND BOOK SALE AND PTA NEARLY-NEW UNIFORM SALE – FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

CHIME's first cake sale of the year will take place after school and we'd like to ask the parents of KS2 to bring

cakes/biscuits (home-made or bought), to the school office any time that day. CHIME will also be selling **second-hand books** - so please can we ask people to check during the half term break - and if you have ANY books your children are not using any more we'd love to be able to sell them to support CHIME. Please bring them in to the office on the morning of Friday 7th, where we'll have a box for them. The PTA will be selling **second-hand uniform** after school that day too.

We are happy that the positions of Chair and Treasurer have now been taken up, and we are still looking for someone to take on the **Secretary** position. The main task is taking minutes in the meetings (3-4 times a year) and emailing them to committee members.

Finally, you will have the chance to **join as a CHIME member** on 7th November and help us raise the funds to enrich our children's lives with music!

PTA NEWS

Christmas cards, tea towels and puddings This year we are planning to offer Christmas cards and tea towels featuring the children's artwork, plus a range of artisan puddings. Information coming home soon!

Dates for your diaries

Next PTA Meeting - Wednesday 12th November at 7.30 in the staffroom. All welcome. We'd love to see some new faces so please do come along if you can.

Wear what you like Day - Friday 28th November - in exchange for a jam jar filled with goodies for us to use on our tombola at the Kenilworth Christmas lights switch on. When children are choosing their outfits, please be aware that this is also the "Christmas Crafts Day", when paint and glitter will be in use!

Christmas lights switch on - Friday 28th November – Could you help for 30 minutes on the stall, selling Reindeer Dust and running the jam jar tombola and children's raffle? Or beforehand, making Reindeer dust or labelling jam jars? Please contact Mand!

Christmas Fair - Friday 5th December - 6-8pm. If you know of anyone who would like to book a stall, at a cost of £8.00, to sell their produce on the night please contact Deb Ward or Amanda Wright. Again, just half an hour of your time on the evening will really will make all the difference! Do you have any spare **Christmas wrapping paper** that you could donate? Could you do some wrapping for us? Again, please let Mand know!

Yellow Moon Catalogue - These have been issued today and are a great way for you to raise 20% cashback for the school by quoting SCL1153 if you choose to place an order direct.

To find out more about any of the events, contact Mand on 07766 834274, wrighta5@sky.com or on Facebook - Amanda Wright.

Have a good half term and we'll see your children back afterwards on Monday 3rd November (see our website for some information about half term activities).

Yours sincerely

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