

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome back. I hope you've had a great break in amidst the Christmas madness. I celebrated the coming of 2016 with a minor op on my head, which is why you might have seen me wearing a cap. I didn't want to scare the children! This term will be full of exciting activities, as usual. Hopefully your children are already happy to be back.

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES AT 9.00

Please remember that you're welcome to join us for our community assembly any Friday morning.

WELCOME BACK!

We're very pleased to have Mrs Sarah Jones back following her maternity leave. She will be working four afternoons a week; three in Y2 and one in Y1.

NEW DATE: TRAINING DAY FRIDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

We have just made a booking for staff training on this date, so school will not be open on that day. Please put the date in your diaries now! This will be our final training day for 2015/16. We will be learning how to make best use of maths equipment that enables children to develop firm number concepts.

PARENTS' EVENING AND OTHER DATES

We'll provide a comprehensive list of Spring and Summer term dates very soon and will add details to the website. Term dates for 2016-17 are attached, and will be on the website very soon.

Parents' evenings will take place on Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th February; letters will be sent out nearer the time.

CLASS NEWSLETTERS

Children should be bringing these home soon, if they haven't already.

KS1 AND Y3/4 CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS

Donations Thank you for donating the great total of £267.79, which will be used to support our sponsored child in India.

DVDs I'm very pleased that all parents have given permission for us to make available a DVD of each production. There's a copy of the letter and order form attached. Your child will also be given a printed version if you're receiving this via email.

CLUBS UPDATE

Archery club on Mondays for Y2 and Y3 and **Dodgeball club** on Fridays for Y5 and Y6: children have been given letters so you should now know whether they have a place.

Dance club for Y1 and Y2, starting Thursday 14th January – still some spaces available.

Imaginering starts again on Tuesday 12th.

Drama for Y4/5/6 starts on Wednesday 13th – letters being sent home today.

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSION SEPTEMBER 2016

The closing date for applying for Reception places in September is Friday 15th January. It's essential to apply

by this date. See www.warwickshire.gov.uk/admissions for full information.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

Thank you to all the parents who bought their children's photographs. As a result, Braiswick have donated £53 to Cancer Research UK, as part of the company's 50th anniversary celebrations.

CHIME NEWS

CHIME would like to welcome you all back to school and to 2016! We are looking forward to organising and enjoying many more events to support musical activities in school.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 15th January - next week! - Cake sale at 3.15 pm in the school hall - please could we ask the families of **KS2** children to provide baked goods - cakes, cupcakes, cookies - home-made or from the shops - to sell. Thank you.

Monday 18th January - CHIME meeting at 7.30 pm in school. This is where your ideas come into fruition and the decisions are made - Please come along, even just to listen or see what CHIME is all about.

Friday 4th March - the Clinton Barn Dance - from 5.00 pm. Following last years' great event, we are happy to welcome the local band '**The Jam and Crumpet**' to entertain the whole family once again - not to be missed!

CHIME will also be providing the financial support for **three whole-school musical performances** this term! The children will be listening to She'Koyokh, Ensemble 360 and the Piatti String Quartet. As usual, these have been arranged with the help of Leamington Music, and will give the children a fantastic range of musical experiences.

For any more ideas or if you want to find out how you can support CHIME in school - Please contact Deborah Thomas - 07976 977 247 / thomdeborah@gmail.com

PTA NEWS FROM SAM HARRIS

Happy New Year from the PTA! Firstly, huge thanks again to everyone who helped make the events up to Christmas such a great success!

The first PTA meeting of the year will take place on Monday 18th January at 7.30pm at the Gauntlet. It would be great to see lots of people there so we can start to plan some exciting events for the upcoming term. If anyone has anything specific they would like to discuss at the meeting, please feel free to email me at sch2k5@gmail.com and I'll make a note of it on the agenda. Please also let me know if you would like a copy of the agenda before the meeting.

Finally, I would just like to personally thank Amanda for her support in my transition to chair and for taking the lead on the fabulous events last term!

Yours sincerely,

SAM PATER
HEADTEACHER



TERMS AND HOLIDAY DATES 2016 - 2017

Autumn Term 2016

*Designated Teacher Training Days -
Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September*

Term Starts - Monday 5th September

Half Term - Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October

Term Ends - Friday 16th December

Spring Term 2017

Designated Teacher Training Day - Monday 2nd January

Term Starts - Tuesday 3rd January

Half Term - Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February

Term Ends - Friday 7th April

Summer Term 2017

Term Starts - Monday 24th April

Bank Holiday - Monday 1st May

Half Term - Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

Term Ends - Friday 21st July

There are two school training days to be arranged.

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