

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

I hope you had a great half term. We're up and into it already and excited about all the activities and learning that will take place leading up to Christmas!

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES

All are welcome any Friday morning, and also on **Thursday 17th November** when Y5 will tell us about their trip to Red Ridge.

TRAINING DAY – FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

This is a further reminder of the date.

SINGING PLAYGROUNDS

Year 4 had an absolutely brilliant day yesterday, learning to be 'song leaders' for a new initiative which the Kenilworth Cluster of Schools are working on together. They learnt about 10 songs, all with actions and games to play, which they will soon be teaching others, particularly in KS1. They were clearly really enjoying the day and are itching to get started. The photos on the back show them playing some of the games. This is a Warwickshire Music (the hub for which I happen to chair) programme to encourage more singing games to be played, with children interacting more with each other, learning coordination and having lots of fun!

GIRLS' 7-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT

The girls' football team did really well in their recent tournament, winning 2, drawing 1 and losing 2, against really tough opposition (big schools!). We're really grateful to Mr Viner for taking them.

HALF-TERMLY CLASS NEWSLETTERS

These will be coming out shortly. You should also be able to find them on our website.

NASAL FLU IMMUNISATIONS – Y1, Y2, Y3

Information and consent forms were sent home on Tuesday. Please make sure we have your completed forms by Thursday 10th November. Thank you.

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Table tennis for Y1/Y2 – the last session is on Wednesday next week (9th November).

Multisports for Y1/Y2 begins on Wednesday 16th November – there are places for all the children who've applied so far, plus a couple of spare places.

Archery starting on Friday this week – this is now open to Years 3-6, as we still have spare places.

NEW SCHOOL MEAL MENUS FROM 7TH NOVEMBER

Please remember that the new menus start next week – details have been sent home and are on our website.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Please place your orders by Monday 14th November.

MISSING GUITAR

Please look out for a full-size black guitar in a black bag with a black and white gingham strap – we think someone has probably taken it home in place of their own. Please double-check at home. Thank you.

MUSIC LESSON PAYMENTS

Autumn term tuition payments were due by Monday this week. Please access your ParentPay account and settle up if you haven't already. Thank you

PTA CALENDAR

Please send those last photos in tomorrow!

RESIDENTIAL TRIPS

We are keen to evaluate the France and Red Ridge trips and have sent out a link to an online survey so that those of you who have had children attend these can give your opinions! The surveys will be evaluated at the end of this week, so this is the final opportunity.

BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

We've now received our supply of poppies for children to wear in exchange for a donation, which is a minimum of 20p (though 50p is a more typical donation). The plan is that Y6 will take poppies round the classes tomorrow and each day next week. Then, on Thursday 10th, Y6 will run a 'shop' where children can bring in 50p or £1 for the items shown on the attached sheet. We should have enough items for every child to have one, but not enough for every child to get their first choice, so please pass that message on to them (as we'll do). Thank you for supporting this important appeal.

PTA DONATION

We are extremely pleased to receive a donation of £700 towards science resources (which equates to £100 per class, though the money will be pooled in some instances). Hopefully children will start to use such things in the near future! We are also grateful to Simone Royle, who, as a science expert, has given us lots of ideas to go with our new resources, to make our science lessons even more interesting.

CHIME AGM: MONDAY 14TH NOVEMBER AT 7.30PM

Please come along on Monday to help us plan for the year ahead. As you maybe aware, Deborah Thomas is stepping down as Chair, having worked really hard in this position for two years, but happily we have a new Chair-in-waiting to take on the role. Come and help us develop plans to keep Clinton musical in the year ahead and beyond!

PTA NEWS

Don't forget the disco this evening! The details are: 6.00 – 7.00 KS1 children 7.15 – 8.15 KS2 children Admission is £1 plus a donation of some chocolate, and there will be activities including face and nail painting, soft toy tombola and lucky dip, so bring some pocket money!

Yours sincerely,

**SAM PATER
HEADTEACHER**