

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

SPRING CONCERT THIS EVENING AT 7.00PM

This is the first REALLY exciting event of this term! Orchestra members, steel panners and recorder players, and all Y3 children will have the chance to proudly perform what they've been working hard at to you. We are keen that Clinton children are confident at standing up in front of others and presenting / performing. It's a really important life skill and these concerts provide that opportunity to get better and better at it. In addition, it gives meaning to all the rehearsing and practising that has led to this point. Children need to be here at 6.45pm (string players at 6.30, please, for tuning up!). CHIME will be selling drinks and cakes at the interval and the concert should finish around 8.15pm.

The orchestra will be proudly using their lovely new music folders, provided by CHIME, replacing the old ones which had seen many, many years of service! We're very grateful to CHIME for these and for all their contributions - which also means, of course, grateful to all the parents who help raise the funds!

YEAR 6 SATS NEXT WEEK

Year 6 have a really important week next week, with SATs tests from Monday to Thursday. The thing that will help them the most is that they are in bed at a reasonable hour over the weekend, and on the nights of the tests. They have worked very hard leading up to the tests and our only wish is that they try their best! In order to do so they should be fresh. They should also remember their glasses if they wear them!

STAYING SAFE ONLINE

You will know from what you have heard in the local and national media that the online world poses numerous difficulties for children growing up. We wouldn't allow children to invite strangers into our houses or to explore the real world on their own, but this does happen online. They also need to learn how to use the internet (including online gaming) responsibly, keeping their dignity and considering the feelings of others. **There will be a meeting for parents on the evening of Thursday 25th May** to provide support with this, including technical help with enabling privacy settings. Watch out for a letter coming soon.

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

This is a reminder to encourage you to complete the parent questionnaire if you haven't already done so. Governors look very closely at the responses and use this information to help set priorities.

PARENTPAY ACCOUNTS

Please could we remind you to ensure there is enough credit in your account to pay for Before School Club and lunches before your child attends the club or orders a lunch. If you don't do so already, you might find it helpful to set up an alert so that ParentPay reminds you when your account balance drops below a certain amount (you can choose what this amount is). The service is free and the instructions are attached.

YEARBOOK - CALLING ALL YEAR 6 PARENTS!

This is a reminder, following last week's item, that if you'd like any photos included, please email them to Louise and Sharon at clintonleavers2017@gmail.com. Please don't send more than 15 and please make sure they're good quality and include the date and location if known. It would be particularly good to have a photo of each child on their first day at school. Please send them by Friday 26th May. Thank you.

ATHLETICS ON THURSDAYS - COULD YOU HELP?

This is a really popular club and we'd love to have some more parent volunteers to help us run it. There will be 5 sessions, from 11th May to 15th June, from 3.30 - 4.30pm. Please let us know if you could help.

AFTER-SCHOOL AND LUNCHTIME CLUBS

Clinton children have had access to a great range of clubs and activities this year, some run by school and some by external providers. See overleaf!

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

Sainsbury's have now finished handing out vouchers, so please check your bags / purses / wallets / pockets and send in any vouchers you still have. We're able to order some really good equipment for the children, so please help us collect as many vouchers as you can. We always get quite a lot after the deadline and sadly all we can do is put them in the recycling bin!

PTA NEWS FROM SAM HARRIS

Thank you for supporting the the Easter Disco. We raised a fantastic £693.24.

Variety Night - Friday 9th June - 6-9pm with the **rehearsal on Sunday 21st May - 2-4pm**. Letters are being issued today with some more information and a slip to return if you'd like to take part. This is a fabulous event for all the family to enjoy whether you are taking part or just want to come along to watch.

The **next PTA meeting** will take place on **Monday 8th May at 8pm in the school staff room**. All are welcome. If you would like an agenda, please email me and I will send one out. Also, we will be looking for people to sit on the committee as of the next school year, so if you are interested in becoming involved please contact me or come along next Monday for more information.

As always, any comments or queries, please email me at sch2k5@gmail.com

CHIME NEWS

Hopefully you'll all have received the CHIME newsletter sent home earlier in the week. If not, please let the office know and we'll send a copy.

Tomorrow is **wear what you like day** to raise funds for the African Children's Choir. Please could all children participating in this bring £1.00? We'd be grateful!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sam Pater".

SAM PATER
HEADTEACHER