

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES AT 9.00 AM

On 10th November Year 5 will be presenting their Red Ridge assembly – come along to hear about their visit! Class assemblies are a great way for children to develop their 'performance skills' and a good audience certainly gives them that opportunity!

YEAR 6 WW2 ASSEMBLY YESTERDAY

Year 6 showed their confidence at speaking in front of an audience yesterday, presenting a lot of their knowledge of WW2, much of it based on experiences some of them had in France when visiting historical sites. They showed their projects too, which were varied and magnificent! Thanks to parents who supported them to put these together. They are very proud of them. Tomorrow, they will be having a French breakfast as a reward for their hard work! Hopefully they'll be using their best French!

TRAINING DAY TOMORROW

This is a further reminder that children are not going to be in school tomorrow! The day will be spent developing our maths teaching, considering the best possible methods to help children become great problem solvers! Hopefully the children will be starting their well-earned rest after they've made such a positive start to the year. We'll be doing the hard work tomorrow!

DIARY DATES

Please remember you can see various dates, including Christmas productions, on the school website <https://www.clintonprimary.co.uk/calendar-and-term-dates/>

PARENTS' EVENINGS: 17TH AND 19TH OCTOBER

We've had excellent attendance at parents' evening, which is great because we realise how much better children do when parents are engaged with their education. Children can see that you're valuing their schooling and this has a knock-on effect on their attitudes to learning.

IMPORTANT PTA AND CHIME EGM

This is a reminder about the Extraordinary General Meeting of these charities on Wednesday 1st November at 6.30 pm. Please come along to share your views.

CLINTON KIDS' CLUB PAYMENTS

November payments will be on ParentPay by the end of tomorrow – please pay by 31st October. Thank you.

MUSIC TUITION PAYMENTS – AUTUMN TERM

These amounts are now on ParentPay; again, please pay by 31st October.

DRAMA CLUB AFTER HALF TERM (Y4,5,6)

Please note that in order for your child to attend, we need you to return the slip to school. We currently have 8 children who've been attending so far but haven't replied for the sessions starting on 3rd November.

PARKING AROUND SCHOOL

This is another reminder of the importance of parking safely around the school – not close to corners or in any other situation that reduces visibility for children and adults crossing the roads outside school. We also ask you to respect our neighbours by not making their access to their drives difficult. You might have noticed yesterday that the police were monitoring parking outside school – not as a result of a direct request from us, although our local Community Support Officer, who keeps in touch with schools, is aware that parking can be a safety issue.

Y5/Y6 CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

It's good to know so many children are interested in being involved in providing this production on the last afternoon before Christmas. Sam Harris will be sending out a rehearsal schedule after half term.

SWIMMING AFTER HALF TERM: Y4 AND Y5/6

Y5/6 parents have had an email and Y4 have had letters. Payments for Y4 are now on ParentPay – please pay by 7th November. We still need volunteers to walk there and back – could you help even if it's not every week?

GREAT EQUIPMENT FROM 'ACTIVE KIDS'

Thanks to all the people who donated vouchers, Mrs Heaviside and Mr Viner have been able to choose some new cooking and sports equipment – there's a long list including corner posts and flags for football, new gymnastics mats, wooden spoons, scales and a blender!

NEW SCHOOL MEAL MENUS

Educaterers will be making changes to the menus from Monday 6th November. The current week 3 menu will be used during the first week back after half term. We'll provide the new menus after the break

CHIME

Don't forget the **Family Quiz Night** being held on **Friday 17th November from 6.00 – 8.30 pm!**

PTA NEWS FROM SAM HARRIS

Thank you to everyone who joined in the treasure hunt last Sunday. The winning team were the Last Jedis who completed the course in a whopping 41 minutes. We also raised £150 from this event and a great time was had by all, so thank you for coming along.

Parents' Disco: Sat 11th November. Don't miss out!
Christmas Lights Switch On – is anyone available to man the stall? (likely date is Sunday 3rd November). Please feel free to email me on sch2k5@gmail.com

Have a good half term and we'll see the children again on Monday 30th October.

Yours sincerely,

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