

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES

We'll have our Record of Achievement award assembly on 24th May, but as you know, you are welcome to join us any Friday morning at 9.00.

SPORTS DAY – FRIDAY 12TH JULY

We'll follow the usual pattern:

9.15 approx (a short session only!) – sprints for all years followed by the 800 m race for Y4/5/6;

1.15 onwards – children take part in a carousel of activities throughout the afternoon.

Parents are welcome to join us for all or any of the activities – please see future newsletters for more detail.

LEAVERS' AND ORCHESTRAL CONCERT

This will take place on Tuesday 25th June – more information will follow, but we hope all Y6 children and all orchestra members will take part. It's always a great evening!

Y6/5/4 TALISMAN THEATRE PRODUCTION

We're planning the annual spectacular at the Talisman! The performances will be on Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th, with the dress rehearsal on Monday 15th July. We hope every child will be able to take part whether on stage or backstage – it's a great opportunity for fun and teamwork, learning and confidence-boosting!

OTHER SUMMER TERM DATES

All the above and other Summer term dates are on the attached list.

NEW SCHOOL MEAL MENUS FROM NEXT WEEK

Educaterers are introducing new menus from Monday next week. Copies are attached for your information.

YEAR 5 PIPELINE CHALLENGE – WATER AID

The Y5 'Pipeline Challenge' last Friday afternoon went really well and it was great to have so many parents able to come along to support it. The children all brought containers, filled them up with water and then formed a 'human chain' to transfer the contents to the water butt. It helped them realise what life is like for people who don't have access to water on tap in their homes. With the support of parents, they raised over £200 and I'm sure they will be able to tell you about what that can buy and the effect it will have. We'll also let you know the exact amount (there's still time if anyone else wants to donate to this excellent cause!).

CROSS-COUNTRY COMPETITION

Well done to the children who represented Clinton in this event at Abbey Fields after school on Tuesday, and thank you to Mrs Wallace for her training and encouragement - and to parents who supported the event.

YEAR 6 SATs

For Year 6, the best thing you can do for your children now is making sure they have a restful weekend, and ensuring they get to bed at a reasonable time (without tablets and phones). It'll be an exciting week for them – but pretty tiring! We want them to do their best.

INNOVATION LAB IS NOW OURS!

Finally, after months of planning, fund raising and negotiating, we have taken ownership of our Innovation Lab! We're proud to say that despite the hiccoughs over electrics, a gas pipe discovered under the building, plus various other 'wranglings', this project which has cost well over £170,000 has hit the school budget by just £1000 thanks to money raised from multiple generous sources. We can't wait to buy some really exciting equipment to put in it and to use if regularly with the children. There is still £8000 from fundraising which we can use for that. We are planning a 'grand opening' and will keep you in touch in case you want to have a look! Clinton Kids' Club will begin to use the building soon too, and we'll keep you informed!

PAYMENT FOR SUMMER TERM MUSIC LESSONS

This term's music lessons now appear on your ParentPay accounts – please pay by 17th May. Thank you.

MULTI-FAITH STORY TENT

Year 5 had a really interesting afternoon yesterday, hearing from people of different faiths (Islam, Christianity and Sikhism) sharing what the books of their religions say about creation. It gave them a chance to listen and to ask questions and to see what these stories meant to those visitors. They were extremely engaged and mature in their response and I'm sure they've got lots to share about it.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC EXAMS

If your child is booked in for a music exam in school time, please email us to let us know, as music teachers won't necessarily pass these details to us. Permission for the absence will be given, but it's helpful to know as far in advance as possible because of the possible impact on in-school activities. Thank you.

TEEM CLINTON NEWS FROM SIMONE

There's only one more week to go until our **Summer Fair, Saturday 18th from 12-3pm**. Thanks to all of you who are collecting clothes and crisp packets for the event. I'm very much looking forward to the bake off!

All sold **raffle tickets** and stubs need to be back in school by Tuesday 14th May. If you are able to sell more raffle tickets than those sent home with you please collect them from the school office or Fiona Dove - this is very much appreciated!

Another date for your diaries is the **TEEM Clinton AGM** which will be on the evening of **Wednesday 19th June**, please do come along if you can.

Yours sincerely,

SAM PATER
HEADTEACHER