

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

FRIDAY MORNING ASSEMBLIES

We'll have our Record of Achievement assembly on Friday next week (14th February) – you're welcome tomorrow, next Friday and any other Friday morning!

CLINTON KIDS' CLUB

Parents whose children attend CKC will know that we're needing to be firmer over switching days from one to another within a week. Please do contact us via ckc@welearn365.com to inform us of any ongoing changes to regular slots which you are hoping to make – in case we need to make different staffing arrangements.

GREEN NEWS!

Year 3 collected 97 signatures of parents who were keen to pledge to give up the 'big 4' of single use plastic bottles, plastic straws, plastic bags and disposable coffee cups. Thanks for supporting them. The mayor came along too, to help show that what they are doing is crucial work. Two of our Year 5 children have asked me to draw the 'Ecosia' search engine to your attention. It's a free service which uses its advertising revenue to plant trees. The children suggest that you use it instead of your usual search engine, to help make the world a little greener. I'm impressed by their thoughtfulness – and the note they wrote me was on paper they'd rescued from the recycling box too!

INNOVATION LAB

More and more children have been developing their problem-solving skills in the innovation lab. They are extremely excited about the equipment we are using and the staff are learning the best ways to capitalise on this excitement! Please do ask them about what they've been doing in there. They are so lucky that the school community has been able to provide them with such amazing equipment.

HOME LEARNING EVENING

Thank you to those who came on Tuesday evening to find out about how to make the most of the activities that are being launched tomorrow. There will be a separate letter about that. Here is a [link](#) to the presentation I shared.

PARENTS' EVENINGS 11TH AND 13TH FEBRUARY

I hope you'll have received confirmation of your appointment times now. Please remember it's useful if KS2 children can come too, in order for them to be part of their own 'learning journey' and receive some positive feedback from teachers as well as a few hints about how to do even better! Teachers are able to allow 10 minutes per appointment; please arrive a few minutes early to allow yourself time to look at a sample of your child's work.

GIRLS' FOOTBALL MATCH LAST WEEK

We had two football fixtures last week! On Thursday, our girls' team played against Howes School at the University of Warwick. The victory wasn't ours this time, but our team played some amazing football and dominated the first half. Well done to them for their hard work and enthusiasm (and the same goes for Mr Viner!).

CLUBS NEXT WEEK

Please remember that Playground Games and Indoor Hockey clubs have now finished, and that Imagineering club will not meet on Tuesday (Parents' Evening).

CLUBS AFTER HALF TERM

Please look out for letters coming home about these clubs:

Tuesdays: Indoor Athletics for YR-Y2

Wednesdays: Netball for Y5-Y6 (this runs for just 3 more weeks, with the last session on 11th March)

Thursdays: Basketball for Y3-Y6

SWIMMING FOR Y4 AND Y5/6 AFTER HALF TERM

We would be very grateful for volunteers to walk with these groups – please contact the office.

INFORMATION ATTACHED

We're sending home information on a family concert on 15th March, Kenilworth's CCTV register and a scheme run by the charity 'Carriers of Hope'.

TEEM NEWS FROM FIONA DOVE

Our first newsletter for 2020 is attached, providing you with details of all the events until the end of this school year. There'll be Easter and Summer colouring competitions too.

Variety Night - Friday 13th March Letters are coming home today; please can we have your **slips back in by Thursday 13th February**. We can't wait to see you all again this year!

We're still urgently seeking volunteers to fill the position for the second-hand uniform sorting and sales. This is a really useful addition to TEEM Clinton both for our funds and the environment. Helen and Kim will step down at the end of half term so there will be no further sales until a replacement is found. If there is anyone keen to take over this task it would be most appreciated and Helen and Kim have offered support when finding your feet.

GREEN TEEM NEWS FROM FIONA

We have been getting an increasing number of **crisp packets** that we are recycling which is fantastic - around 1800 packets a month. However, **there are various packet types that can not be used**. Please take note of the following, as if there are any 'illegal' packets that I don't spot and remove, the whole consignment is discarded.

Please don't bring the following packs:

- Any folded into triangles
- Mini Cheddar, Twiglet or baby snacks
- Any still containing part of their contents! I store the packs at home before sending them and do not want to attract rats or other hungry creatures!

Thank you - these steps will make a huge difference to me. If you would like any more information regarding what can be recycled please take a look at terracycle.com and head to the 'accepted waste' poster, or have a look at the notice board.

Yours sincerely,

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HEADTEACHER**