

# CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Autumn Newsletter No. 7

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Dear Parents,

It's been great to have children back this half term and really heartening to see their enthusiasm and enjoyment of school returning so quickly. All staff have done an amazing job of keeping things going despite the challenges. The positivity and supportive approach has been fantastic and, of course, just what we would expect from all at Clinton.

Here's a [link](#) to my second video of the half term! I do apologise for doing this to you again! Don't expect perfection; it's not easy!

### RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to children who have received record of achievement awards this week. Some assemblies were outside, whilst others were virtual. It's a shame we can't have parents to witness children receiving them but I'm sure they'll be very proud of themselves when they show you.

### COVID LATEST

Having positive tests makes things seem a lot more real. We've followed guidelines and hopefully cut the spread as much as possible. Whilst Year 3 and Year 6 classrooms and toilets won't be used for well over a week and therefore any remnants of virus will be long gone, we will make sure these areas, as well as others in school, are deep cleaned over the holiday.

PLEASE PLEASE test yourselves and children if they become unwell – even if symptoms aren't the top 3 we are often told about. Remember, with one of our positive cases none of the classic symptoms have been apparent.

AND please let us know immediately if you or your children test positive over the holiday. If they do, we will be in touch the same day to inform parents of what they need to do.

### YEAR 3 – 'EGYPTIANS' WORKSHOP

Year 3 had a great day doing their Egyptians workshops earlier this week when they got a chance to investigate a range of 'historical artefacts' whilst connecting to an expert on screen! We're trying to find ways to make children's learning even more practical and exciting and this was a good way to get them being 'real historians'. Another workshop with a different theme is booked later this term.

### PARENTS' EVENING PHONE CALLS

These are pretty much all set up now and will be taking place in the first week back. There have been requests for virtual meetings from one or two parents and whilst those would work well in theory, when teachers are doing around 35 10-minute conversations per class it amounts to nearly 6 hours of meeting time as it is, without the hurdle of any technical issues that will inevitably arise with at least 10% of zoom calls. They will try and keep to time slots as best as they can so please don't be offended if they're needing to draw the phone call to a close once 10 minutes is up.

### TEEM CLINTON NEWS FROM FIONA DOVE

As we approach the end of this half term I wanted to say thank you for the support and help TEEM Clinton have received. It was great to see so many children involved in the wear what you like day today and I look forward to seeing the colouring competition entries. For any year six children who would still like to enter the colouring competition you are welcome to do so by emailing your entry to [teemclinton@outlook.com](mailto:teemclinton@outlook.com)

This is a quick reminder that TEEM Clinton will be holding the next meeting via zoom on Wednesday, the 4th of November at 7:30 please email [teemclinton@hotmail.com](mailto:teemclinton@hotmail.com) for information and zoom link.

Please remember if you haven't already entered the Autumn Trail, entries close tomorrow and all proceeds selected from Clinton houses will come to TEEM Clinton.

Have a good half term from all of us at TEEM.

We'll look forward to seeing the children again after half term, which for most will mean back to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Yours sincerely,

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**HEADTEACHER**