

# CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

### CHILDREN IN NEED DAY TOMORROW

We'll go ahead with a 'wear what you like' day tomorrow, asking children to bring £1 donation to drop into a pot in their classrooms. Thank you for your support.

### WELCOME TO MRS NIKKI JOHNSON

We're very pleased to welcome Nikki Johnson to our Midday Supervisor team; she's also giving us some help in Clinton Kids' Club at the moment, for which we're grateful.

### COVID LATEST

Fortunately no Coronavirus illness in our school community; though it's affected staffing indirectly, as I shared via email yesterday.

I've been talking in assemblies this week about how we are all needing to show perseverance and patience at the moment, with lockdown 2 upon us. Normalising the situation helps us know we're working through it together.

### BRITISH LEGION APPEAL

Thank you for supporting this appeal by sending your children in with donations. It will be very much appreciated by the charity, whose fundraising, like that of many charities, will have been hard hit this year.

### CHILDREN'S PERSONAL INFORMATION – DATA COLLECTION SHEETS

Thank you if you've returned the data sheet, which you should have received several days ago. If you haven't, please help us by checking and returning your child(ren)'s information as soon as possible. The office staff will be very grateful as it will save them a lot of time contacting those who don't reply. Please return it via your child's classroom; we want to minimise use of the parents' postbox because it's such a 'touch point': everyone who uses it has to lift the flap.

### OUTDOOR PE CLOTHING FOR Y1-Y6

All PE lessons are outside at the moment, unless the weather is really bad. Please could children bring in outdoor PE clothes? (trainers, tracksuit bottoms and jumper or hoodie). Year 5 and 6 just need trainers and a hoodie. Please make sure all these items are named! There's a slightly different plan for Reception, so we've emailed those parents. Thank you.

### KEYBOARD LESSONS FOR YEARS 3-6

As mentioned last week, we're able to start offering keyboard lessons very soon, and there is space for new starters. There's a letter attached giving more information and explaining how to register for lessons – please do that within the next couple of days so we can get things under way!

### BRASS LESSONS

Again, we have some spaces for new starters with our Warwickshire Music teacher – please let us know if your child (Y3-Y6) is interested.

### GUITAR LESSONS

These now take place on Wednesdays – please help your child remember they need to bring their guitar. We're not able to lend or share instruments at present.

### BEFORE- AND AFTER-SCHOOL CARE

All parents should have received an email yesterday outlining the arrangements under this new lockdown. Please respond to that if appropriate. Thank you.

### NASAL FLU IMMUNISATIONS

Please remember to email us to confirm that you've responded to the NHS, which you need to do by 18<sup>th</sup> November. If your child isn't immunised at school, it's likely to be difficult to make an appointment via your GP. We normally have a very high uptake at Clinton, partly because we log the usual paper replies and follow up with the parents who don't reply – sometimes two or three times! That's not possible under the new system, so we are relying on your emails to let us know you've responded direct to the NHS. Thank you.

### SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DELI-BAG LUNCH

Letters were sent home earlier this week; please make sure we have your reply, whether your child wants a school lunch or packed lunch. Again, if we have a reply either way, we can be sure you've had the information and the chance to order. A copy of the letter is attached in case yours hasn't made it home. Please reply by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – the kitchen staff have to order the food early next week.

### TEEM CLINTON NEWS FROM FIONA DOVE

As we approach Christmas we are excited to share this term's events.

**November 16th-20th:** Christmas jumper donations welcome (more information to follow).

**November 23rd-27th:** Class Christmas jumper sale

**November 27th:** The Big Curry Night In, community light switch on and quiz night (pre-order and ticket purchase required, please share with friends and family as these activities are not exclusive to Clinton parents and families)

**December 4th:** Christmas jumper wear what you like day and jam jars for tombola to be brought in for quarantine

**December 7th:** Last day to secure your Santa's grotto video.

**December 18th:** Jam Jar, reindeer dust, Christmas craft and grotto video to return home.

We are also looking for someone to take over the selling of the boys' nearly-new uniform. This is a task that requires space; however it is essential for our green ethos and for saving money on uniform. If anyone is interested or happy to share this role please do speak up as we will have to stop selling boys' items in December if no one comes forward.

Contact me (Fiona Dove) via [teemclinton@outlook.com](mailto:teemclinton@outlook.com) for information on anything TEEM related.

Yours sincerely,

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HEADTEACHER**