

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

AVOIDING CLOSING BUBBLES!

With the third wave under way, lots of schools locally have closed bubbles and some schools have had to close altogether. We don't want that! It's great that a large number have had a second jab and the risk of serious illness for those is much diminished, but there are still some staff and plenty of parents awaiting a second dose. In addition, those we have heard have had the second dose have still had unpleasant symptoms (described as being like the worst hay fever ever). So, we need to continue to be vigilant. In particular, keeping children from mixing with those in other bubbles after school on the playground etc. will lower the risk of home learning becoming a reality again. With various trips planned, particularly Red Ridge in Year 5, it would be sad to have to cancel if someone tests positive but would be really frustrating if mixing between bubbles causes that.

With restrictions, and those specifically released by the LA, we know we're not going to be able to have parents at sports day, which is a shame. We would need to have marshals, be sure everyone is taking LFDs before they came and we'd be subject to various test and trace responsibilities. Doing that for 7 classes is very challenging. We will, however, be able to do a sports day, where another class can watch at a distance, and create a bit of an atmosphere!

We do think that, due to relatively low numbers of families involved, that we will be able to manage the risks for Variety Night. It's still challenging and we'll rely on parents attending following strict rules!

THEATRE AT THE CASTLE – YEARS 3-6

Children have had their first dance sessions! Thankfully this event is on the 19th July, so fingers crossed we'll be able to have audiences! Ticket info to follow!

CLASS PHOTOS

The weather was fine on Tuesday and the photographs went ahead! Every child in school that day should have brought home a card with instructions on how to view and order the photos. Please read the instructions carefully. We hope you like the results!

LONG JUMP AND HIGH JUMP PITS

We know that children love a sand pit, and the jump pits on our school field look really inviting, but please don't allow your children to play in them at pick-up time (or any other time). The pits are important for children's safety during PE lessons and athletics club. We will be getting covers soon but in the meantime we

are asking for your co-operation in not allowing children to use them as play areas. We're spending a fortune refilling with sand, too. Thank you.

INSTRUMENTAL TUITION PAYMENTS - SPRING

This is a reminder that payments for Spring term tuition are due by 30th June – the amount is on ParentPay (for Warwickshire Music lessons - violin, brass and woodwind). Thank you.

AGREEMENTS FOR MUSIC TUITION NEXT YEAR

If you have requested new or continuing lessons in September, you should receive an email next week outlining the terms and conditions. We'll flag up when that email is sent; if you don't receive it, do let us know and we'll check your child is on the list. Thank you.

TEEM CLINTON NEWS FROM FIONA

Thank you to those who supported the jumble trail; those involved had a great day and we have raised a fantastic amount of money for the cause! (final amount to follow). I'd like to say a huge thank you to Rachel and Andy, Cerys and Ian who arranged it all. On behalf of the TEEM we are so grateful for your hard work!

We hope all the father figures enjoyed Father's Day and you all received your gifts. Please can I remind you to make payment by the end of the week if you haven't already managed to.

With the government restrictions changing we are currently working hard to make variety night Covid-secure and we will be publishing some information over the next few days.

Finally, after discussion with the committee we feel we are sadly not able to bring you the Summer Evening in a way we would wish to. However we may put something in place for the end of term for the children to celebrate their resilience over the last 18 months.

As always please get in touch if you can offer help or have any questions via teemclinton@outlook.com
Have a great weekend!
TEEM Clinton

Yours sincerely,

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