

CLINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,
I hope you've had a good week!

MUSIC AT CLINTON

I attended a Kenilworth School concert on Tuesday evening and noted that of 61 students performing in their symphony orchestra, 20 used to come to Clinton. It's so good to see that the musical journey they started here is continuing, and their performance levels going up and up too. This week our orchestra had their first rehearsal as a full group since February 2020! It won't be long until they're playing to us all once more.

If your child is in **Year 3 or older** in September 2022 and you would like them to begin instrumental tuition, please look out for the email that will make its way to you before half term, regarding costs and terms. Guitar and Keyboard tuition is popular but it would be great to have a range of instrumentalists in our orchestra, so please do consider that with your children. Despite the fact we have incorporated keyboards and guitars in our orchestra, group music making in secondary school appears more accessible for orchestral instruments than those more modern instruments at present. We will also send out an email regarding Suzuki Violin Tuition which is available to those in Year 2 and older.

CLINTON COUNTING SONG PRACTICE

Year 1, 2 and 3 have moved onto learning the 4s this week. Again, click [here](#) to find out how the songs go – if they don't remember them! The children in year 4 and 5 have been willing helpers for year 1 and 2, and the younger ones have loved giving them a go.

SATS TESTS COMPLETE – WELL DONE YR 6!

Year 6 have given their all this week, showing an impressive focus level and work ethic. They have all taken them in their stride and have tried their best each time. The focus remains, with writing assessed right up until late on in June, but tests are done. Business enterprise and work on the school play to come!

OUR INNER VOICE

Children coming home this week with gold stickers have demonstrated great perseverance. Assemblies today, and tomorrow for years 4, 5 and 6, focus on 'listening to what our inner voice (or

'Spark') tells us' in order to (a) do the right thing and (b) be brave to push ourselves.

SCHOOL PUPIL CENSUS – 19th MAY 2022

This is the day when we have to provide the government with various figures, including the number of children in YR, Y1 and Y2 who are having a school lunch. We will use that day as a 'taste a school meal day': IF your child usually brings a packed lunch they still can but they can also order a school dinner to try it out. If they don't like the school dinner they could revert to their packed lunch. If they do like it, they might want to have school meals next year. Children in YR, Y1 and Y2 are not charged for school dinners

The more Reception and KS1 children who have a school meal on 19th May, the more funding we as a school will receive next year. Put simply, ordering a meal for your KS1 child on Thursday next week will help increase our school budget.

Conversely, if children don't have a meal that day, but then choose school meals next year, that will cost our school budget.

YEAR 5 and 6 FOOTBALL

Mr Viner's blue army did very well, beating Priors Field 8-2 on Monday evening this week. The children are thoroughly enjoying being part of the team and getting to compete. We have a very inclusive ethos and the whole squad gets a good go. Thank you to Mr Viner for running the team!

MY SCHOOL FUND

Please see the attached flyer about how you and the school could both benefit from your spending.

PARENTPAY

With half term coming up, we would appreciate it if parents ensure their ParentPay accounts are up to date and looking healthy. If you have any queries, please do get in touch.

GOVERNOR POSITIONS

We have had a fantastic response to our request for new governors to join the board. The window is now closed for anyone to offer their services to us at this point, but there are often opportunities which arise as current governors complete their terms.

Yours sincerely,

SAM PATER
HEADTEACHER