



Clandon CofE Primary School

Newlands Federation - Roots to grow, wings to fly.

Newsletter 19th May 2023

Dear Families

The warmer weather arrived just in time for the Kestrels residential this week – take a look at what they got up to over the page!

Staff Update:

We are sad to let you know that Mrs Cocke will be leaving Clandon School at half-term. Sarah has been a member of the Clandon family for almost ten years, starting as a volunteer hearing children read and then joining the staff team as a teaching assistant in 2016. Sarah is always cheerful and lovely to have in school and she makes the very best brownies which the whole staff team enjoy. Sarah's family are now grown up, and Sarah and her husband have time to pursue some exciting projects together. We all wish them well and send them off with our love.

Jigsaw's Summer Offer:

Jigsaw are a local charity offering support to families who need a helping hand. This year they are offering a school backpack, filled with some school essentials and a voucher for a new pair of school shoes, for Primary age children – those starting nursery up to Year 6 in Sept 23. Families in need of help in this way may contact Miss McGowan **before Friday 26th May** to be referred; kmcgowan@clandon.surrey.sch.uk. Unfortunately, applications after this date cannot be accepted.

Measles Advice:

The UK Health Security Agency has issued guidance about protecting all children from measles following an increase in cases of the illness – between 1st January and 20th April this year, there have been 49 cases of measles compared to 54 cases in the whole of 2022. Most cases have been in London, although there have been cases picked up across the country and some are linked to travel abroad.

Measles is a highly infectious disease that can lead to serious problems such as pneumonia, meningitis and, on rare occasions, long-term disability or death. Symptoms include high fever, sore red watery eyes and a blotchy red-brown rash. It is particularly easy to catch in environments when in close contact with others.

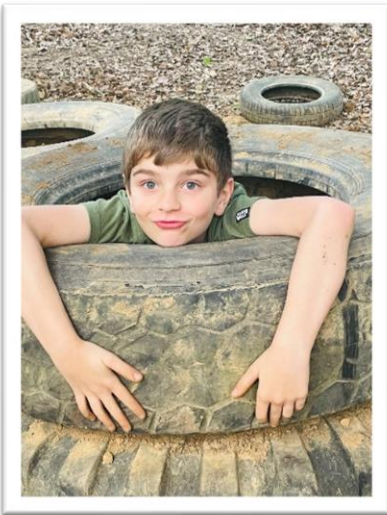
Dr Vanessa Saliba, Consultant Epidemiologist at UKHSA, said: *"We are calling on all parents and guardians to make sure their children are up to date with their 2 MMR doses. It's never too late to catch up, and you can get the MMR vaccine for free on the NHS whatever your age. Vaccines are our best line of defence against diseases like measles, mumps and rubella and help stop outbreaks occurring in the community."*

Kestrels Residential:

Clandon School has been rather quiet this week with most of Kestrels away at Bentley Copse since Wednesday, but what a lovely time they've had there. Staff back at school were very envious when they saw pictures of Wednesday evening's roast dinner! We had thought that days filled with energetic activities such as go-karting and rock-climbing would tire them all out, but evidently the Kestrels children have a boundless supply of energy! Much fun has been had by all and it has been so lovely to see the children working together and supporting one another.



We are sure that the memories made on this trip will last a lifetime. Huge thanks go to Mrs Dawe and Mrs Marsden-Farmer for planning such an amazing experience and to Mrs Cramp and Mrs Voller for the helping them carry out their plans with such success. We look forward to returning to Bentley Copse again next year 😊.



Gardening Club:

Gardening Club have been working hard on our grounds under the watchful eye of Sally Hodgins and we now have some lovely flowers blooming around the site. Some of last year's efforts are now coming to fruition such as the gorgeous clematis flowering on its willow arch over the kitchen gate and our pond which is now home to some rapidly growing tadpoles. Can you spot one hiding on a rock in the picture below?



We have been talking about forgiveness and about the power of words to hurt or heal in collective worship this week. The children showed great maturity in reflecting on these ideas and we hope they bring their empathetic approach into the weekend 😊.

Warmest wishes

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Summer Term Dates

*New dates added or updated event

May	Mon 1 st	Whole School	May Day Bank Holiday – School Closed
	This month	Year 2	SATS*
	Thu 4 th	Whole School	Coronation Celebration in playground at 2.30pm*
	Fri 5 th	Whole School	Coronation Tea Party at Ashley Park at 2.15pm*
	Fri 5 th	Whole School	SIAMS Inspection*
	Mon 8 th	Whole School	Coronation of King Charles III Bank Holiday – School Closed
	Tue 9 th – Fri 12 th	Year 6	SATS
	Tue 9 th	Key Stage 2	Lambing Visit (for those not completing SATS)
	Fri 12 th	Year 6	Afternoon visit to the Rec to celebrate completion of SATS
	Mon 15 th	Whole School	Class Group Photos
	Wed 17 th – Fri 19 th	Kestrel Class	Residential at Bentley Copse
	Tue 23 rd	Year 6	Guildford Junior Citizen Event at Guildford Spectrum 12.00-2.45pm
WB 29 th	Whole School	Half Term Holiday – School Closed	
June	WB 12 th	Key Stage 1	Phonics Screening Checks
	WB 12 th	Year 4	Multiplication Tables Checks
	Tue 13 th	Year 6	Leavers Service at Guildford Cathedral (9.30am)
	Wed 14 th	New entrants	Open Evening for new families starting September 2023 (7.00pm)
	Tue 27 th – Wed 28 th	Year 6	Surrey Year 6 Secondary Induction Days (pupils will be allocated an induction visit by their secondary school)
	Wed 28 th	Whole School	St Peter and St Paul Pause Day
	Thu 29 th	Whole School	Sports Day at the Rec (parents invited in the afternoon)
	Fri 30 th	Whole School	INSET Day – School Closed to Children for Staff Training
July	Mon 3 rd	Whole School	INSET Day – School Closed to Children for Staff Training
	Wed 5 th	Kestrels	End of Year Performance 1 (afternoon, time TBC)
	Thu 6 th	Kestrels	End of Year Performance 2 (morning, time TBC)
	Wed 12 th	Year 6	Matrix Trust Transition Workshop
	Wed 12 th	Whole School	Move-up Afternoon (into classes for Sept 23)
	Thu 13 th	Whole School	Leavers Service at St Peter & St Paul Church (2.30pm)
	Fri 14 th	Whole School	End of Year Reports Sent Home
	Mon 17 th	Kestrels	Bikeability Level 2 (Group 1)
	Wed 19 th	Kestrels	Bikeability Level 2 (Group 2)
	Fri 21 st	Whole School	Last day of term, school finishes at 1.30pm