Message from Mr Neale

**Message to parents/carers of children currently in Year 6**

If your child is currently in Year 6, don’t forget that you will need to apply for a secondary school place by the 31 October 2015. The quickest and easiest way to apply for a school place is online at www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions.

At this time of year, we do experience a rise in sickness and illness within our school community. Can I please take this opportunity to remind you of the following information about absence due to illness.

**Cough & cold** - a child with a minor cough or cold may attend school. If the cold is accompanied by shivers or drowsiness, the child should stay off school, and return to school 24 hours after they are feeling better. If your child has a more severe and long-lasting cough, consult your GP, who can provide guidance on whether the child should stay off school.

**Vomiting and/or diarrhoea** - children with these conditions should be kept off school. They can return 48 hours after their symptoms have settled. Most cases get better without treatment, but if symptoms persist consult your GP.

Thank you for your continued support as we move ever nearer to our half-term holiday, don’t forget that Monday 2nd November is an Inset day.

News from around the School

**European Day of Languages**

On Friday 23rd October the school will be celebrating the European Day of Languages. A letter detailing all the information about the day will be sent out shortly.

**School council news**

As you know Clarendon usually hold a charity event for Children in Need. This year the school council are running it! We are holding two events in order to raise money for this amazing charity.

From Tuesday 3rd November the school council will be selling Pudsey bands and also keyrings. The Pudsey and Blush wrist bands will cost £1.00 each and the Pudsey keyrings will cost £2.50 each. This will be happening outside the office all week after school. There will be limited stock so it will be on a first come first served basis. Can we please remind you that these items cannot be worn during school by the children, and should be saved to be worn on the Children in Need Mufti Day (details below).

On Thursday 12th November we will be holding a mufti day. To wear your own clothes you will need to bring in some loose change; we will be having a class competition on which class will fill the most Pudsey faces.

Yours sincerely The school council

**Parents’ Association (PA) Coffee Afternoon**

The school PA will be holding a coffee afternoon on Wednesday 21st October in the school library at 1.30pm. The work the PA do is vital to help fund important projects in school. They would love to get some more parents on board so if you’d like to find out a bit more then come along to meet some of the current team. Please email if you are able to join them next Wednesday for coffee and biscuits! Every parent counts so even if you can’t offer regular support the PA would love to hear from you.

Important Information

***** Tubs & Tablets *****

Clarendon have recently signed up for a fantastic new scheme with Flora - Tubs4Tablets. We need everyone to collect tokens from inside the special promotional tubs of Flora margarine. We only need to collect 50 tokens to qualify for a Samsung Galaxy Tablet, and currently Tesco stores have an offer of 2 for £2 - so please can you bring in any tokens to the school office for this fantastic scheme.

**School Dinner Arrangements**

If your child wishes to change their dinner arrangements, please make sure you notify the office, giving 1 weeks notice, and fill out the appropriate form, otherwise you will be liable for any appropriate charges.

**School Photography**

Kittle Photography will be coming into school next Tuesday October 20th. They will be taking pupils individual photographs and sibling groups as well.

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***** Diary Date Changes *****

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Happy Birthday to all the children who have had a birthday since the last newsletter!

Weekly Achievers in School

Reception - Alfred for making good choices and learning and playing nicely with his classmates and Connor for being kind, conscientious and working hard. Gracie and Hiroki for being kind to their classmates and being keen to learn.

Year 1 - Sayadi for excellent work in maths and Sulaiman for consistent hard work in school and at home. Poppy for being an enthusiastic learner, for always being a good friend and Daniel for super effort in class and at home and working hard on his writing.

Year 2 - Zac for being so polite all the time in class and Leah for showing enthusiasm in maths. Chloe W for making an effort to improve her handwriting and Izzy for showing fantastic manners.

Year 3 (DO) - Nicole and Nikos for both working so hard this week, following instructions and setting such a good example. Alfie for fantastic effort in phonics and Grace for good work in maths.

Year 3 (GW) - Bailey for fantastic effort during literacy and producing a great report on rugby, and Ruby for helping others during science. All of Year 3 for their amazing shadow puppets and story retelling, especially Alfie's shadow theatre and Joseph for telling his story in a clear, loud voice.

Year 4 - Isabelle and Sid for persevering with their addition methods this week whey they first found it challenging. The whole of class 4 for being respectful and co-operative in Miss Norman's absence.

Year 5 - Ben and Joshua He for fantastic maps of new settlements for an Anglo Saxon village. Charlie for a fantastic piece of work using imperatives and Grace for a secure understanding of equivalent fractions.

Year 6 - Mary-Ann for effort and determination and Luke SD for effort and success at handwriting. Luke W for super effort in maths and writing, and Tia for being consistently good all term, a great start to the year.

The Haven—Nikos for always being helpful to adults and children, he clears up tables, helps answer the door and always helps children who need it.

Important Information

Is your child starting school in September 2016?

If your child was born between 1st September 2011 and 31 August 2012 you will need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2016. Please remember that even if you already have a child currently attending Clarendon, you still need to apply for a place. The quickest and easiest way to apply for a school place is online at www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions.

Contacting Clarendon

If you need to contact us about anything such as a child’s absence; change to going home arrangements or any other issues - then please can you email the office on clarendonschool@gmail.com. This email account is monitored throughout the school day by a member of staff and your message will be dealt with as quickly as possible.

Attendance Policy

A reminder that Clarendon Primary School adheres to the Surrey policy regarding absence from school during term time. This new Attendance Policy came into force on 1st January 2014 and fixed penalty notices are now issued for unauthorised absences, in line with Surrey County Council guidelines. Under government legislation parents have a duty to ensure their child's regular attendance at school and all unauthorised absence is recorded and reported to the local authority and Department of Education. Absence is only allowed to be authorised by the headteacher for 'exceptional circumstances'. If you feel that you have an exceptional reason for removing your child from school during term-time then please complete a Leave of Absence Request form and return it to the School Office (not class teacher) for Mr Neale's attention, with at least 48 hours' notice for your request to be considered. Please note that you must supply full details of the 'exceptional circumstances' relating to your request. The form is available on our Clarendon website or you can pick up a paper copy from the Office.