# CLEE HILL COMMUNITY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

## 03.09.21



Welcome back to school from all of the staff at Clee Hill Community Academy and for all of our new starters – welcome to our school! It has been wonderful to see all of the children coming through the gate as the new school year begins and feeling the sense of 'normality' after such a disruptive 18 months. Thank you, as ever, for your efforts in ensuring that the children are smart and in full school uniform and black footwear. Please make sure that new school uniforms are labelled -a marker with their initials on the label is enough.

#### Staffing news

We are pleased to welcome back Mrs Hyde from her maternity leave. She will be teaching on a Friday in Class 5 and is very excited to be back in school. We are also pleased to announce that Mrs McKeon is expecting another baby next March.

#### **Learning**

This year we will be continuing to focus on reading and phonics. For parents who are new to the school, children are expected to read at home **at least** 5 times a week. Every child has a home school diary for parents to sign. There will be lots of exciting reading opportunities in school this term and we are looking forward to reopening the reading realm and book barrow for children who enjoy reading at break times. We are also starting a new handwriting scheme called 'Kinetic Letters'. The children have been talking about 'Bounce' and 'Skip' in assembly today, who are 2 cheeky monkeys who are part of the scheme. The school will be updating it's website this half term so that it has a similar page to the school below for parents:

https://www.hanburyprimary.school/kinetic-letter-families/

#### Covid 19 updates

The school website has an updated Covid 19 risk assessment and, rather than making changes to the risk assessment when there are national/ local spikes, the school will now be following a step up/ step down system so that we can be fluid in making any adjustments. In the step down (where we currently are) the school will no longer be having staggered breaks/ lunches and no class bubbles. The one-way system is no longer in place and face masks are optional. However, the school will continue to be vigilant and encourage good hygiene and regular hand washing.

#### Dates for the diary

Please see the newsletter for dates for the diary for 2021-22.

And finally – once again a huge thank you for all of your support, particularly in the last 18 months. We are so lucky to be so supported by our local community, and for myself – as headteacher- I am always so proud when I hear parents/ members of the community praising our school. We are fortunate to be part of such a wonderful Clee Hill Community Academy family.

Regards,

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### HALL OF FAME

We had a wonderful display of medals and certificates in assembly today.

James in class 4 – 10mtr swimming certificate

Megan and Jack H – Rosettes for horse riding

Lianna- Swimming certificate

Toby and Jack B – Football trophy and medal

Fred class 5 – Summer reading challenge certificate

Autumn – 25 metre badge

Evie, Bryony and Lauren – horse riding medals and rosettes

Ruth in class 2- Summer reading challenge certificate

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#### **FLU IMMUNISATION**

14<sup>th</sup> September

Letters home please return reply to school

### CONGRATULATIONS DARCY

Darcy raised £200 by having her hair cut and donating her hair and money to the Princess Trust. Well done Darcy.





### **CLUBS**

Kidderminster Harriers 3.20 - 4.20pm - Class 5 - starts 3.9.21 - Book on squid

Rotakids – Year 6 - Wednesday 3.20pm. Starts 15<sup>th</sup> September

Froggy Maths – Classes 4 and 5 – Friday lunchtime

Homework club - Class 5 - Thursday lunchtime

Singing club – KS1 pupils – Thursday lunchtime – Starts 16.9.21

Lego Club – Classes 2 and 3 – Tuesday lunchtime

### Dates for the diary 2021-22

	Autumn Term
13.9.21	Roald Dahl Day
17.9.21	Wrekin College Maths challenge: Y6 pupils
17.9.21	Jeans for genes day
13.10.21	Reading miles -India - Yellow, Green, White and Blue
15.10.21	Harvest Festival Service at St Peters & Harvest Fayre at school
17.10.21	Community Day 11-1
18.10.21 -	Pioneer Centre Trip (Year 5 & 6)
20.10.21	
21.10.21	Last day of half term
1.11.21	PD day: Phonics
2.11.21	Children back in school
4.11.21	PTA disco - Halloween
4.11.21	SGET Pantomime
9.11.21	Parent's Evening 2:30 - 6:30
11.11.21	10.15am - 11am: Remembrance assembly and 1 min silence in St Peter's church
	(Rotakids)
12.11.21	Children in need
15.11.21	Anti-bullying week: wear blue to beat bullying
3.12.21	Autumn term report sent home
8.12.21	Reading miles - Poland - Red and White.
9.12.21	KS 1 & 2 dress rehearsal (filmed for DVD sales)
10.12.21	Christmas Fayre (Rotakids/ Yr6)
10.12.21	Christmas Jumper Day
13.12.21	KS 1 Christmas play 1:30pm
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14.12.21	KS 1 Christmas play 6:00pm
15.12.21	Christmas Party (Santa). $\pm 2$ to cover cost of party food. In classes pm for party
	games. KS 2 Christman play 6:00pm
16.12.21	KS 2 Christmas play 6:00pm Christmas Dinner
16.12.21	PTA Christmas Film Night
17.12.21	Break up for Xmas.
17.16.61	Maths Problem Solving am/ Board games pm
4.1.22	PD day
5.1.22	Back to school

KS1 will be offered fruit at breaktime.

KS2 pupils may bring in fruit or pay for a piece of toast at breaktime.

Please prepay for toast, £1 for a week or £7 for the half term, starting on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September