



# Headteacher's Newsletter

## Summer Term Issue 1

### 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Dear Parents and members of the school community,

The summer term has begun and now we are just waiting for some summer weather! Please find all the up to date information and news for the school below.

#### Coronation Celebrations

Next **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May** we will be celebrating the King's Coronation. There will be a special 'English High Tea' lunchtime picnic meal. We are also marking the occasion with a non-uniform day. The theme will be '**dress to go to a coronation party**', so party dresses and frocks, wedding suits, shirts, jackets and ties or anything that looks smart and official. Kings, queens, princes and princesses are also great! If you are unable to find any such clothing, red white and blue is also fine.

- PE with Debs go ahead as normal on Friday for Oak Class. Oak should come to school in PE kit with their coronation clothes in a bag to change into after PE or in their clothes with a PE kit to change into.
- Willow Class will have their PE session with Debs on **Wednesday** next week and should come to school in PE kit on Wednesday.
- Chestnut and Beech will have PE with Debs as normal on Thursday.
- Children who attend Wake-Up club can come along in their coronation clothes or PE kit and change in school. We leave that decision to you.

#### Term Dates

Dates for the summer term are on the website as are term dates including INSET days for 2023/24 <https://www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk/virtual-office/school-term-and-holiday-dates-1>. These have been corrected as some of the days didn't correspond correctly. Apologies.

Dates to Note this term:

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May are Bank Holidays.
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Industrial Action – Vulnerable and Critical Worker's children in only
- Year 6 SATs week Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May. Y6 Breakfast 8am
- **No** Wake-Up club on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May
- Walk to school week 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> May
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friends School Discos FS/KS1 3:30 to 4:30pm and KS2 4:45 to 6:00pm
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day at BHCS
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July is an INSET day. Staff only are in school that day
- Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Friends of CPS Summer Fete 12pm to 3pm
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Oak Class Production
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Graduation
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July -Last day of the summer term

### **SATS Breakfast**

During SATs week, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May, we will be providing a free breakfast to all our Year 6 children. We would like all Year 6 children attend and will ensure all dietary requirements are catered for. Next week I shall send the menu out to parents and please let us know if we have overlooked any dietary requirement. We ask that all the Year 6 children come to school at 8am for breakfast. Younger siblings may also come into school where they will be looked after by a member of staff. Sorry, but breakfast is only for Year 6 as a special treat and to make sure they are fuelled for their tests!

### **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

A reminder that this is a further day of teacher industrial action and **all** classes are closed. The school will remain open to children on our vulnerable and critical worker list only.

### **D.I.S.C.O Time! 🕺**

Friends are delighted to be holding our annual Spring Disco on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May. This will be a fee payable event, price for entry will remain the same (as last year) and timings will remain mostly the same, however there will be a slight change to the end of the KS2 disco which will end at 6pm instead of 6.15pm.

### **Disco Volunteers**

As with previous discos we will require additional help from the school community to ensure the safe and smooth running of the event. If you would like to volunteer then please get in touch with Friends via email: [friendsofcliddesden@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcliddesden@gmail.com) or speak to one of us on the playground at pick up time to sign up. It really is a great experience and fun evening for all!

More information will be emailed out to you very soon - so keep an eye on your email inboxes.

### **New Reception Intake 2023**

I am very pleased that we have a full intake of pupils starting in Willow Class in September. This is very good for the school both socially and financially. We welcome our new families - Little Acorn details will be sent out shortly and the dates are on the website.

### **Sports News**



This Wednesday our Year 6 Basketball Team travelled with Mrs Jordan to Southampton Solent University to compete in the County Basketball Championship Finals.

Earlier in the year, Cliddesden came runners up to St Mary's Old Basing in the Basingstoke schools' competition and qualified for the finals as highest placed small school in the county. At the finals we were one of sixteen schools who qualified for the top level from across the county including Southampton schools.

The team demonstrated incredible grit and determination during the county finals, working incredibly well as a team supporting each other and showing good sportsmanship towards the other teams. The team worked hard mastering defending, footwork and shooting throughout 9 fast paced games. They played seven teams in a row. Winning 4 and

losing 3. After a short refuel at lunch we had the great news that Cliddesden had made it into the quarter finals. The team played a further two matches and gained 6th place overall out of 16 teams across the county. Mrs Jordan said *"It was a pleasure spending the day with such a kind and hardworking group of children."*

The players gained stickers for a variety of values such as determination, passion and teamwork. Being the 6<sup>th</sup> best primary school basketball team in the whole of Hampshire is an outstanding achievement for a school our size! Well done Bailey, Sofia, Tyler, Sonny, Annabella and Hugo and of course Debs who introduced basketball to our school.



### **Viscount Lymington Visits CPS**

This week we had the pleasure of Viscount Lymington from The Farleigh Wallop Estate visit our school. He enjoyed the visit and was toured around by our Year 6 Junior Leadership Team and commented on how polite and confident our children were.

I wish you a lovely May bank holiday weekend.

***Kenneth Davies***  
***Headteacher***

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