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The term is whizzing by and by the start of next week it will be July!! Thursday 4th July was due to be Move Up Day when Year 6 children visit their new secondary schools and all other children spend time in the classes they will be in next year. Due to school being used as a Polling Station on Thursday 4th July only Year 6 will be continuing with these plans and the rest of the children will be 'moving up' on Wednesday 3rd July.

A quick update on the Sponsored Walk and great news that our grand total is now £455. This will be put to good use on new equipment for the playground and the new School Council will be helping us get that organised soon. Watch this space!

As you know Heidi Batey came to school on Tuesday to take the class/group photos. This is the link to your child's group photo. If you order before the 2nd of July you will qualify for free postage and have your photos delivered to school. After the deadline you can still order but you will be charged postage.

We have had a sneaky peek and they really are lovely.

<https://heidibeaphotography.gotphoto.co.uk/gc/ECv3sTfHTvbsuMGwt8mv>

SCARF Life Bus

On Monday Sarah from SCARF came to Clifton and lead a session with each class throughout the day. The sessions focussed on emotional wellbeing and keeping healthy and were designed to perfectly match the age of the children involved. Hedgehog Class helped Gerald the Giraffe get ready for a sleepover at his grandparent's and Fox Class got to see the inside of (Keira's) body with the help of an interactive bib she very stylishly wore. Squirrel Class learnt all about the importance of looking after our bodies with the right food and drink as well as sleep and how it could affect our feelings. They also discussed friendship and Harold the Giraffe helped us solve some tricky friendship dilemmas. Deer Class learned about keeping themselves healthy and this included thinking about substance use, alcohol and smoking/vaping





Bikeability

The Year 5 and 6 children have benefitted greatly from their Bikeability sessions this week which have been run by Fiona, Chris and Graham from Cyclewise. The course is funded by the Department of Transport and is designed to give children the skills and confidence required to safely ride their bikes for the rest of their lives.

The course involved four sessions – one on the playground and 3 on the roads – and we are sure the children are all much more confident cyclists now as a result. If you are interested in information on how to cycle safely as a family then please follow this link.

www.bikeability.org.uk/get-cycling/cycle-training-for-families

Sports Day

What a wonderful celebration of sport and teamwork we all had on Wednesday afternoonand the sun shone too! Well done to all of the children who worked so hard on the wide range of activities and especially to the victorious Cross Fell team!

House Team Scores:

- 🟡 Yellow with 525 points
- 🔴 Red with 494 points
- 🟠 Blue with 491 points
- 🟢 4th Green with 472 points



Key Stage 2 Performance – Tuesday 9th July

Rehearsals are well under way for this exciting performance and there will be two opportunities (2.00 & 6.00pm) for families to come and watch their Year 3,4,5 & 6 children at Cliburn Village Hall. We will not be issuing tickets for the performances but parking is limited at Cliburn Village Hall so can we please encourage those who can to come to the afternoon performance and to car share wherever possible.

Talent Show

This has recently become an end of year tradition at Clifton and we are always amazed by the huge range of talent we have among the children at school. Children are welcome to perform individually or in groups and 'talents' can be music, football skills, dance, singing, drama, magic, comedy..... as long as it has been practised beforehand please. Children can bring costumes to school to change in to and if music is needed

please give /send your child's teacher a clean/child appropriate version as soon as possible so we can check it out.

Adventure Days

The final Adventure Day of the year will be on Monday 15th July and Fox Class will be doing their fell walk between Pooley Bridge and Howtown. There will be no charge for this trip as all children have had their Adventure Days/Residential subsidised in some way and this will fund this activity for Fox Class. A letter will be sent home soon giving more details but if any parents are able to help please let Mrs Brabant know as soon as possible.

Outdoor Learning

This term it is the turn of Deer and Hedgehog classes to do Outdoor Learning with Mrs Davies.

Wednesday 3 July – Year 3,4 &5

Wednesday 10th July – Hedgehog Class

Please send in a complete set of suitable clothing and wellies and ensure all items are labelled with your child's name. Please be aware that shorts are not acceptable clothing for Outdoor Learning. The children are outside for a long period of time and the weather can be wet and cold. It can also be a health and safety risk when children are around fires and in nature with nettles/brambles etc.



This week's team challenges started off outdoors for Hedgehogs, matching colours and shapes, but after a downpour they retreated to the classroom to work with missing numbers. Everyone did really well helping each other.



PE LESSONS next term are as follows.....

Squirrel Class – Monday and Thursday

Fox Class – Monday and Friday

Deer Class – Wednesday and Friday

Please can children come to school in their PE kits on these days. Please send PE kits in to keep on the pegs for Hedgehogs as changing time is a good opportunity to develop independence skills

PTA News

NEXT MEETING –Thursday 11th July @ 7.00pm

AGM – Thursday 19th September @ 7.00pm

Summer Term Clubs

Baking Club with Mrs Chalmers and Miss Wilson on Mondays. And on the menu this week.....apple crumbles.

Cheer Club will continue on Tuesday lunchtimes with Miss Hunter and Jennie

Nature Club with Mrs Davies and Miss Coutts on Tuesday.

Drama Club will continue on Wednesday lunch times.



Dates for the Diary



Monday 1st July – Hedgehog Class trip to Lakes Aquarium and Windermere Ferry cruise

Wednesday 3rd July – Move Up Day for Nursery - Year 5

Thursday 4th July – Move Up Day for Year 6

Thursday 4th July – School closed to pupils as school being used as a polling station

Tuesday 9th July – KS2 Summer Play @ Cliburn Village Hall (2.00pm & 6.00pm)

Wednesday 10th July – Squirrel Class Lake Adventure @Talkin Tarn

Thursday 11th July – Year 6 Leaver’s Treat at Fusion

Monday 15th July – Fox Class Fell Walk and Ullswater Steamer.

Tuesday 16th July – Leaver’s Assembly @ 2pm

Friday 19th July – Last day of term – NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

19th July – Talent Show

Separate letters are sent for all sporting events and trips

TERM DATES FOR THE YEAR AHEAD

School term and half term dates for 2024/2025

Term	Start of term	Half term	End of term
Autumn	Wednesday 4 September 2024	Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November 2024	Friday 20 December 2024
Spring	Tuesday 7 January 2025	Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February 2025	Friday 4 April 2025
Summer	Tuesday 22 April 2025	Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May 2025	Friday 18 July 2025

Wood Pigeon Update..... and then they were gone!



Remember you can keep up to date with events and photos on our Friends of Clifton Primary School Facebook page so please join if you have not already.

If you have any questions or feedback, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Nikki Brabant, Tasha Coutts & the Clifton Team