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Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back to the new school term – it has been lovely to see all the children again and they have all come back with a positive attitude to learning. The first week has flown by whilst Christmas also seems so long ago.

We have lots planned for the coming term but this is just a quick reminder of a few things. A big thankyou for the further donations to the Reindeer Run which have taken our total to over £400. Vicky from the Children's Hospice is coming to school on Monday to collect the donations and is very appreciative of the support given by our school community.

Spring Term Clubs

Miss Simpson will run a netball/hockey club for Years 3-6 on Thursdays 3.30-4.30

Mrs Newman will run a coding club (ICT) on Monday afternoons for Years 3-6 (3.30 – 4.30)

Mrs Brabant will run an art club on Mondays for all children from Year 1- 6

Mrs Collin will run a games club on Tuesday lunchtimes and Miss Coutts a lego club on Thursday lunchtimes.

Clubs will start the week after next – week beginning 16th January

Diary Dates

10th January – PTA meeting at school 7.00pm

11th January – Year 6 dental check

11th January - Key Stage 2 Mini Mudder with Action Ants at Culgaith

13th January – Year 3 – 6 Swimming Gala

17th January – Cross Country Championships for Hunter Hall qualifiers at Casterton

20th January & 17th March – Deer Class clay daffodil workshop at Lowther

31st January – Y3/4 football at Beaconside 3pm

W/B 6th February – Child Mental Health Week

w/b 20th February – Half Term

Separate letters will be sent for all sporting events

PE at Penrith Leisure Centre will be taking place every Thursday morning until **Easter** so don't forget that children should come to school already dressed in PE kit.

Illness in Schools

As you might have seen in the news, there was an increase in illness in schools at the end of last term and it is expected to continue over the coming weeks. We have been quite fortunate at Clifton that attendance has remained quite high compared to other schools though there have been a few children off this week. The UKHSA and Cumbria Public Health have advised that any child that has a fever and feels unwell should stay at home until they feel better and the fever has resolved.

Cost of Living - Support for Parent/Carers and their families

Cumbria County Council has committed 'Household Support Grant' funds to support families experiencing Food and Utility hardship. Families can access the information on the support available through the councils 'Ways to Welfare' website.

For further information follow this link <https://www.cumbria.gov.uk/costofliving/default.asp>

PTA News.

Next meetings –**10th January 2023 @ 7.00pm.** Please do come along and see how you can get involved.

Term Dates

| Term | Start of term | Half term | End of term |
|-------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Autumn | Wednesday 07 September 2022 | Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October | Tuesday 20 December |
| Spring | Wednesday 04 January 2023 | Monday 20 February to Friday 24 February | Friday 31 March |
| Summer | Monday 17 April | Monday 29 May to Friday 02 June | Wednesday 19 July 2023 |

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.

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