



Clawton Primary School Newsletter | 26th March 2021

Dear Parents/ Carers,

There has been a focused, calm, and purposed atmosphere across the school this week. I have had the pleasure of teaching both Hedgehogs and Foxes classes, since I last wrote to you, as a way of getting to know the pupils; I hope to do the same for Squirrels and Badgers over the coming weeks.

As a school, we have been considering how we can become inspiring changemakers and make a difference to the world in which we live. Each class have been looking at the UN sustainable goals and writing research projects around them, supporting both our academic, character and community cornerstones of our C360. These will be finished by the end of the term and available for public viewing.

The words on the doors are proving successful. Children must try and use one in a sentence as they enter, it has been wonderful to hear children as young as 4 use words such as mirific, cacophony, phenomenal and dismal in sentences and in the correct context. Oracy is a focus throughout our school, the ability to speak well in full sentences, in a range of contexts is important and is proven to support the development of writing.

I spoke with the Chair of the Parish Council last Friday to begin to build links within the community and tentatively consider steps towards an outdoor Summer Fayre for Clawton, however this will be dependent on COVID restrictions and Devon School Risk Assessments changing.



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Character virtues focus this week:
Reflection

School uniform

Now we are back in school full time the school uniform policy reapplies. Children can wear PE kit on the days they have sport.

I have also met with a working party around the school garden and to ensure all children are given access to outdoor learning and Wild Tribe opportunities throughout the summer term – there are some extremely exciting ideas and next steps in the pipeline including an outdoor classroom and a possible camp out for year 6's in the summer term on the field!

Clubs are now ready to book on School Money for after Easter and will run for 10 weeks from the week commencing 26th April to week commencing 5th July. The clubs are free, apart from the Gardening Club which has a charge of £2 per session, to include a snack and a drink as well as resources for the club. Spaces are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment! The clubs are as follows:

Tuesday: Rugby with Mr Creek for key stage 2.

Tuesday: Gardening Club with Wendy for Hedgehogs and Squirrels.

Wednesday: Board Games Club for Years 2, 3 & 4

Thursday: Netball with Mrs. Sharpe for key stage 2.

We hope to see many children sign up, it's a great way of learning a new skill.

PTA: I would like to congratulate our wonderful PTA on raising £1300 from their recent Ready Steady Read fundraiser – this will come in the form of free Usborne books for the school which will be amazing! Well done to all those who took part in the sponsored read, I look forward to seeing your certificates and finding out who was the biggest reader in each year group!

Carparking: Can I please remind everyone to be careful where they park when coming to school; a resident complained this week that their drive was blocked by parents' cars. Claw Park is a private road and we should not be using it as an extension of the school car park. I appreciate the situation is difficult but your care and attention in this regard would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Wishing you all a safe and relaxing weekend.

Kind regards,



Mrs. R Sharpe.