



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to everyone and a special welcome to Cleves Cross Primary and Nursery School to our new pupils and parents. I hope you have all had an enjoyable summer break and that everyone is looking forward to the challenges and enjoyment of the school year ahead. As always, we will do our very best to try to keep you fully informed of what is going on here at school through fortnightly newsletters - every other Friday. This will help you to be able to keep yourselves up to date with all of the 'goings on' here at school. **This is the only printed newsletter of the year - please ensure you access the rest of the newsletters throughout the year on our app, website or noticeboards.** Contact the office if you need help with the app.

New Starters

All staff, governors and pupils would like to wish a warm welcome to Cleves Cross to our new starters this year - both to school and nursery!

Nursery children - welcome to Solomon, Brayden, Jackson, Seth, Zayne, Ruby, Lachlan, Cole, Dylan, Summer, Alfie, Orlaith, Kai, Isaac.

Reception Class - welcome to Harley, Theodore, Sammy, Ella, Charlie, Poppie, Autumn, Mia, Caleb, Christabelle, Jessica, Johnboy, Ava, Brax, Marco, Brody, Will, Daniel, Layla, Autumn, Mia, Lacie, Oscar, Jack, Albi, Boo, Thomas, Jenson, Zain, Finley, Roman

We also want to welcome our more **grown up new starters** - Year 1 - Edward William and Nevaeh, Year 3 - Blake and Year 6 - Addison.

We hope that they all enjoy their time here and welcome them to our school.

Sports apprentice, Mr Lambert and student teacher Miss Randall, who have joined our staff team this week.

We are delighted to welcome them to Cleves Cross.



Rights Respecting work will continue to be a theme throughout school and an appropriate Right to highlight at the start of this new year is, Article 29 'Education should develop each child's personality and talents to the full'. We aim to meet this article at all times and always welcome your support in doing this.



Money in School - a reminder!

Can I please remind everyone that any cash that is brought into school must be in a named envelope e.g. trip or juice money. Dinner money should be paid via our online system - please let us know if you are having difficulty setting it up and we are happy to help. We will very shortly be moving to a totally cashless system for lunch money, so now is the time to ensure you are all set.



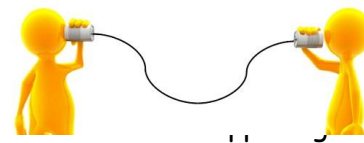
Book Club and Book Fair 24th - 28th September 3.15pm - 3.45pm

We will always try to encourage a love of reading with the children and intend to continue our monthly 'Book Club' and twice yearly 'Book Fair'. Look out for our Book Fair leaflets coming soon. The Book Fair begins on Monday 24th September. Please call in and see the huge selection of quality books for all ages. The Fair will be open straight after school each afternoon for you to visit 3.15pm - 3.45pm. **It will also be open at our Macmillan coffee morning (see below).** Don't forget that we do receive free books for school as commission for every book you buy, so your support is really appreciated. Thank you!



Communication - we want to keep you informed!

I am sure that you will see from the 'Parent Questionnaire' feedback (on the app and website) that your biggest 'groan' with us is letting you know school - and giving you plenty of notice! We really do want to get better at this and promise we will try our best to improve this year. Our problem is that there is so much happening and we love to get involved with as much as we can - sometimes time just creeps upon us. No excuses though!



We will continue to issue **newsletters every other Friday** - via our app, on our website and with **printed copies in our noticeboards**. Please check every issue as I try to include everything that is planned at school. Our calendar on the school website is also populated with events that are planned. We are looking to improve the layout of this so it is more user friendly - and events more obvious. Again, please keep a check and we will aim to keep it fully updated- <http://www.clevescross.durham.sch.uk/>

Twitter - you can see photos and snippets of news from school if you follow us on twitter @clevescross. It's a great way of sharing our school life with you.

And if all else fails, please feel free to give us a telephone call to check on anything you are unsure of.

MacMillan Cancer Coffee Morning - Friday 28th September



One of our first events of the school year is the MacMillan Coffee Morning. We would like to invite parents and friends along to join us on Friday 28th September from 9.00am - 11.00am. Parents, grandparents, friends and carers are welcome to join us in the school hall, with (or without!) children for a coffee and a cake in order to raise funds for this deserving organisation. If you are unable to come along, children can still take part by bringing along a donation and each class will have an opportunity to have a cake and a drink during the morning with the rest of their friends.

Exciting opportunity for year 2 girls!

Shincliffe Juniors, a local football club, is setting up a new under 7s girls' team and are offering 4 weeks free training for anyone interested! Sessions run on a Tuesday 6-7pm at Soccarena, Durham. Call or message Sara on 07834268274 to enquire. The Club are passionate about providing opportunities for local children to have fun and develop through sport in a welcoming encouraging environment. They also have teams for boys and girls aged 4-15 with opportunities to join these available. Get in touch if you're interested - the free training sessions are on offer across the Club!

After School Clubs

We will continue to try to offer a range of after school activities for pupils across the school. These activities will **change each half term** and we do our very best to try to ensure all children have the opportunity to attend clubs throughout the year. Spaces in clubs are limited but we will try to allocate places to ensure as many children as possible have opportunities through the year. We like to let the Reception children settle in to school life this half term but they will get the opportunity to attend clubs after half term. Details of the clubs that will start next week are below. All clubs run from 3.15pm - 4.15pm. Please respond via the app or send in a note to request a place.

Monday	Mindfulness Art and Craft	Y3, Y4, Y5
Tuesday	Singing Club	Y4, Y5 and Y6
	Eco	Y1 - Y6 (younger places are limited)
	Football	Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6.
Wednesday	Dance	Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6.
Thursday	Meccanno Engineering Challenge	Y5 and Y6
	Cookery	Y1 to Y6.