



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Right of the Fortnight

This week has been 'Children's Mental Health Week' (3rd - 9th February). This is a good time to remind ourselves - and our children - of **Article 24**, the Right to good health care. All children have the right to the best possible health care. Over the next couple of weeks, we will be looking at all of the things we do at Cleves Cross to support children's mental health.

Dear Parents,

I can't believe there is only 2 weeks left of this half-term. Time certainly does fly when you are having so much fun! As always, we are always so busy here at school and we do endeavour to keep you up to date with any changes. Occasionally, opportunities appear at short notice so please keep an eye on our website calendar and our app for any updates and changes.

Safeguarding Update

With it being Internet Safety Day next week (11th Feb), it is really important that we keep our children safe online and that they know what to do if they see any content that will distress them.

Social Media - <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/social-media-guides>

Video Chat & Web Cams - <https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/video-chat-and-webcams-parents/>

Distressing Online Content - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/inappropriate-explicit-content/distressing-content/>

[Childline](#) provides free and confidential advice for children and young people
[Internet Watch Foundation](#) works internationally to remove child sexual abuse online images and videos and offers a place for the public to report them anonymously.

Rights Respecting Week - Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

We are excited to announce that our school will be hosting our Rights Respecting Week, where we will focus on some of our essential rights: the right to play, the right to healthy food, and the right to care. Throughout the week, children will explore these rights and their importance in fostering a safe, nurturing, and healthy environment. We will also compare and contrast these rights with how children around the world experience them, allowing our children to understand the global perspective



of these fundamental rights. This initiative aims to deepen their awareness of the importance of these rights, encourage empathy, and inspire action to support and respect the rights of children everywhere. We look forward to a week full of learning, reflection, and community engagement.

On Friday 17th February, we will be holding Rights Respecting assemblies (9.15am and 2.30pm) for the whole school (Reception - Y6). In this assembly, classes will be sharing the work they have done during the week on their chosen Right.

Following our other celebrations and assemblies, we recognise that you love coming into school and I don't want people to be disappointed that they cannot come to our assemblies. We know that some of you won't be able to make it due to work commitments so we will make sure that lots of photos are shared on our social media sites. By holding two assemblies, more grown-ups will be able to attend. **Both assemblies will be exactly the same.** The morning assembly will be for KS1 grown-ups (Reception, Y1 and Y2) and the afternoon assembly will be for KS2 grown-ups (Y3 - Y6). We will still need to limit numbers so can I please ask that only 1 grown-up attends per family. If you have a child in each key stage, it would be better numbers wise if you can attend the morning assembly but appreciate that this might not be possible.

A form will be sent out on the app on Monday 10th February and must be completed by Friday 14th February. We will then notify you if you have a place and your child will bring home your ticket for the assembly.

Nursery Class 'Stay and Play'

On Friday 14th February, Nursery are having our Valentine's Day Stay and Play. All children are invited to attend the morning session. 15 Hour children from 8.30am and full time from 9am as usual. Grown-ups are invited back from 9.15am until 10.45am. We will be completing different activities, such as biscuit decorating and making Valentines Day cards. We are looking forward to seeing you.



Reception class 'Stay and Play'

Reception class are having their Valentine's Stay and Play on Thursday 13th February. In Reception that week we will be thinking all about Valentines Day, what this means and why we celebrate this. We are holding our stay and play session from 1:30-3:00. We are looking forward to welcoming you into Reception class again!

Valentine Discos - Thursday 20th February

We will be holding our annual Valentine Disco this year on Thursday 20th. We will run it like we have our previous discos as we found this was really successful and helps us to limit numbers in the hall. Reception class and KS1 will be from 3.15pm until 4.45pm and then KS2 disco from 5pm - 6.30pm. Entrance fee will be £1 and there will be refreshments available for the children to buy.



Year 1 Class Assembly

Year 1 are really excited to invite their grown-ups to their class assembly on **Thursday 13th February at 9.15am**. They can't wait to share their learning journey with you all and we look forward to seeing you all there!

Ready Set Glow Taster Day

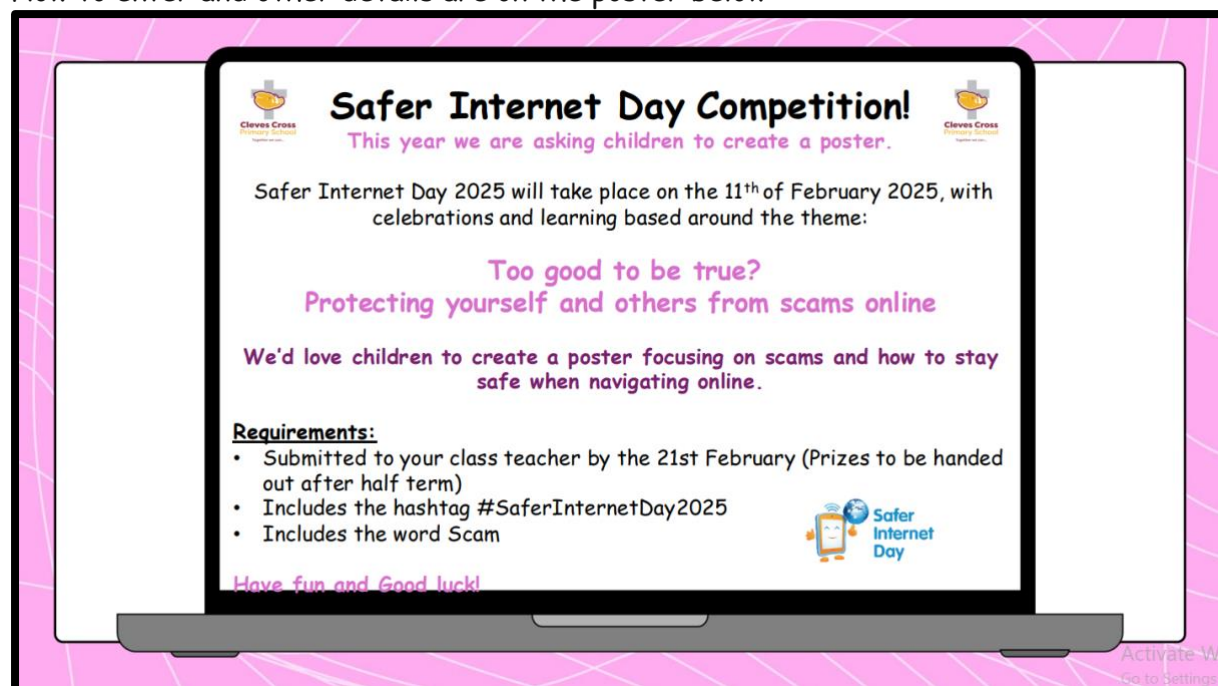
Each class will be taking part in a taster day on Monday in school where they will be taking part in a variety of physical activity. Our hall will be darkened, and we will use light up equipment, areas and targets with our UV lights! We are sure the children will enjoy themselves and remember to check our Facebook for photos of the day.

Safer Internet Day - 11th February

Safer Internet Day 2025 will take place on the 11th of February 2025, with celebrations and learning based around the theme '**Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online**'. In school all children will be taking part in a range of activities focusing on online safety and how to be smart online. Please take this opportunity to check your child's device security settings and talk to them about their online presence.

As part of our Safer Internet Day celebrations we will also be launching our ever-popular poster competition.

How to enter and other details are on the poster below:



Scamps Holiday Childcare - February Half-Term (Mon 24th -Fri 28th)

We still have spaces available for our Scamps Holiday Childcare in February. Childcare runs from 8.30am until 4pm. The cost of the childcare is £12.50 per day or £50 if you book all 5 days in advance with a 10% discount for any siblings. This means that any sibling booked in for all 5 days would cost £45. The children will be having lots of fun every day. Here is a timetable of activities for each day.

Monday - Out of this world (Space themed activities)

Tuesday - Pirate themed day - come dressed as a pirate!

Wednesday - Mini-Olympics. Don't forget your trainers!

Thursday - Beach themed day

Friday - Safari Day

Key Dates to Remember

- Monday 10th February - Ready, Set, Glow Taster Day
- Tuesday 11th February - Safer Internet Day
- Tuesday 11th February - Year 4 Parent Storytime
- Wednesday 12th February - Year 3 Parent Storytime
- Thursday 13th February - Year 1 Class Assembly
- Thursday 13th February - Reception Stay and Play
- Thursday 13th February - Year 5 Ferryhill Library Visit
- Friday 14th February - Nursery Stay and Play
- Monday 17th - Friday 21st February - Rights Respecting Week
- Tuesday 18th February - Year 5 Parent Storytime
- Thursday 20th February - Valentines Disco
KS1 - 15:30 till 16:45 KS2 - 17:00 till 18:30

Monday 24th - Friday 28th February - Half Term

- Monday 3rd - Friday 7th March - National Careers Week
- Wednesday 5th March - Exploring Careers - Year 2-6
- Wednesday 5th March - KS2 Sportability
- Thursday 6th March - World Book Day
- Thursday 6th - Year 3 Library Visit
- Friday 7th March - KS2 Girls Football Session
- Tuesday 11th March - Nursery Parent Storytime @ 2:30pm
- Monday 17th March - Year 2 Library Visit
- Monday 17th - Friday 21st March - Parent Discussion Week
- Wednesday 19th March - Year 2 Visit to Washington Wetlands
- Thursday 20th March - Year 6 Library Visit
- Friday 21st March - World Poetry Day
- Friday 21st March - Red Nose Day
- Thursday 27th March - Year 1 Library Visit
- Thursday 27th and Friday 28th March - Mother's Day Lunches
- Friday 4th April - Northern School of Art Workshops (whole school)
- Thursday 10th April - Adam Bushnell Visit
- Friday 11th April - Easter Egg Competition

Friday 11th April - Last Day of Term

