

CLAREMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER FOR WEEK ENDING 5th October 2018

Whole School

No Pens Day

On Wednesday, all pupils put down their pens and focused on using their voices for 'No Pens Day'. The aim was to encourage the skills of speaking and listening, which is a part of your child's national curriculum. There were many fun activities throughout the day.



Special Visitor

On Tuesday, Year 6 pupils were incredibly fortunate to receive a special visitor. Mrs Smith – a 96-year-old lady - came to talk to the children about her experiences in World War Two. She recalled her experiences of rationing, the Battle of Britain and her husband's involvement during the conflict. The children were then invited to ask questions. We send our warmest thanks to Mrs Smith and her family. The Year 6 team



Please remember that children are now expected to wear winter uniform. Ties should be worn by children in Years 2 and above. Please see the website for details.

We are looking for parent help with 1:1 reading for children in KS2. It can be straight after drop off and before pick up. You will be given training. If you are interested, please let Claudia Street know via the school office.

We are also looking for a trampette for sensory circuits. If any of you have one you no longer need and would like to donate it to the school, please let the office know.

Dyslexia Awareness Week 1st October – 7th October 2018

This week is Dyslexia Awareness Week. The Dyslexia Working Party which comprises staff, parents and pupils has been working for several months to make our school dyslexic friendly in all aspects. We have looked at curriculum, displays and our learning environment, with a focus on pupil wellbeing. The whole school attended an assembly on Tuesday which explained more about dyslexia and the challenges faced by dyslexics, as well as success stories. On Thursday we were visited by a dyslexic student now at secondary school, who shared his experiences with some of the children in Key Stage 2.

We are hosting a **tea party on Friday 2nd November**, which will be attended by the West Kent Dyslexia Association. Parents will also have the chance to share experiences and strategies with the parent representatives of the Dyslexia Working Party.

Years 1&2

First Class Football are running free, local weekly football sessions for girls in school years 1 & 2 this year. The sessions will run indoors on a Wednesday evening from 5.30-6.30pm at St Gregory's School, Tunbridge Wells and will be completely free each week. Please see attached flyer.

Year 3

Year 3 Homework and Housekeeping

We have updated Mathletics with new activities. Please can you encourage your child to do their homework every week, as there are a number who have not completed last week's tasks and now have twice as many to do this weekend.

Please can we also ask that you help your child tie their tie by themselves as soon as possible, if they cannot do it already. As you can appreciate, with PE twice a week, it is necessary for them to be doing this independently as quickly as possible and we thank you for your support with this.

Thank you, The Year 3 Team

Just a reminder to Y3 that no hockey club on Thursday and no indoor athletics on Friday next week due to Carroty Wood trip.

Diary Dates

Diary Dates for next week

Please see the calendar page on the website for advanced dates. The calendar is updated every Wednesday. For detailed information, please click on the DAY view.

8th Oct – Owls to visit YR

9th Oct –

10th Oct – 1.30-3.30 Cycling Coaching Y5&6

11th Oct – Y4 to Carroty Wood

12th Oct – Y4 to Carroty Wood, 2.45pm Y3-6 Cross Country at Somerhill