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Claremont Primary School
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Good afternoon

Another week has passed, full of learning, Christmas preparation and Coffee & Chats for parents in Early Years.

Thank you for those who attended those sessions- it was really good to meet without masks on, and the teachers were really pleased to have been able to share a tiny bit about what goes on in the classroom. I hope you found it useful too.

At the other end of the school, today, at 4pm the results of 11+ **should** be emailed to parents of those pupils who took part in the tests. As you are aware, this process is independent of schools and the communication will come from the Local Authority and not from Claremont. [Kent Test - Kent County Council](#) Use this link which shares how they communicate.

Year 4 are looking forward to Viking Day on Monday.

Tomorrow, the school is closed as it is an INSET day. No work will be set for anyone on Dojo.

A shorter newsletter this week- have a good long weekend!

Best wishes

Candi Roberts and the dedicated Claremont team

We have been informed and asked to alert you to an incident that took place after school in the Claremont Road/Farmcombe Road area yesterday where a person in a black van was acting suspiciously and scared a child. The police have been informed. Please be extra vigilant, particularly if your child walks home by themselves.

Charities update: The children all looked amazing last week in their animal outfits! We are thrilled that we managed to raise £388.98 for Folly Wildlife. This will help a lot to keep them going over the winter. Thank you for all your efforts.

The school also raised an incredible £787.12 for the Poppy Appeal. We have received a certificate of thanks from the Royal British Legion in this particularly difficult year for fundraising.





Online Exhibition

Monday 14th December

On Monday 14th December, all pupils in the school will be presenting their projects that they have done during the 'Discover' term. Please note the change of date from 7th December. The Discover term is linked to history and each year group has an enquiry question that they have been focusing on. This year, all the projects will be online. More details will be given nearer the time.

Thank you,

Mr Greaves

WELLBEING: DECEMBER KINDNESS CALENDAR

The British Red Cross have produced a wonderful resource to support wellbeing in December. They have created a resource pack for children to complete, which includes a Kindness Calendar with suggested acts of kindness and lots of other activities including making kindness cards, writing poems and mindful colouring.

Please follow the link below if you would like to use these resources with your children at home:

[The Snowman and the Snowdog kindness calendar.pdf](#)



Jacket potatoes with home-baked beans

Ingredients:

- 4 baking potatoes
- 1 tbsp sunflower oil
- 1 carrot, diced
- 1 celery stalk, diced
- 400g can haricot beans, drained
- 2 tomatoes, chopped
- 1 tsp paprika - choose sweet or hot depending on taste
- 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tbsp chopped chives, to serve

Method:

1. Heat oven to 200C/180C fan/gas 6. Scrub the potatoes and dry well, then prick in several places with a fork. Bake directly on the oven shelf for 1-1½ hrs, until they feel soft when squeezed.

2. After 30 mins, heat the oil in a pan and gently cook the carrot and celery for 10 mins until softened. Add the beans, tomatoes and paprika and cook gently for a further 5 mins until the tomatoes are softened and pulpy. Stir in 100ml water and the Worcestershire sauce, cook for a further 5 mins then cover and keep warm. Split open the potatoes and spoon in the beans. Scatter with chives and serve.



Our next food collection is on **Friday 4th December**. This will run, as before, with a collection bin at each gate. They have given us two lists this month. The essential one is attached to the email and the additional Christmas wish list is below.



Christmas 2020 "Nice" List

***Christmas Pudding
Gravy Granules
Stuffing Mix
Selection Box
Biscuit Box
Chocolate Coins
Christmas Cake
Cooking Oils
Custard***

Christmas 2020 "Naughty" List

Mince Pies

As an optional fundraiser, Nourish are also running the 12 days of Christmas campaign. However, this is purely optional as we are already running the food collection. The card is attached and we are happy to act as a collection point, should you wish to participate. Nourish will collect any Christmas trees cards from us on 14th December so, if you wish to, please bring it into school on that day.