



Claremont Primary School Newsletter 6th January 2023



Happy New Year to you all!

I hope you have had a good break and enjoyed time with your family and friends. I know many people have been ill during this time, and I hope you are recovered and able to start a healthy 2023.

I wonder if you have decided to consider a NY resolution? So many people do; I researched the most common resolutions and they won't be a surprise:

- Exercise more – 52% Brace yourself for a busier gym — at least for the first few weeks of the year.
- Eat healthier – 50%
- Lose weight – 40%
- Save more money – 39%
- Spend more time with family/friends -37%

It's an individual decision! Have you made one?

This term, at Claremont, our value focus is Joy in Wellbeing. All of the above resolutions are motivated by feeling happier and enjoying life. This term, alongside all of the Claremont values, the children will have opportunities to consider this through assemblies, and school life.

To further support the children and their wellbeing, there are some amendments to our Positive Behaviour Policy.

As part of our key driver '**Embed and sustain a safe whole school approach which supports positive behaviour within a culture that promotes a joint responsibility,**' we are wanting to ensure that we are encouraging a continued positive approach for all children.

This means that we also need to be supporting those children who may be persistently behaving less well. It is still relatively rare for us at Claremont but there are some children who are receiving more and more red cards which has a danger of having less impact. This kind of less positive behaviour normally occurs for a reason. It can present as verbal or more physical reactions and there are many reasons why this may be taking place - each personal and individual to that child. Some children find building relationships easier than others; for those who find it less easy, it can be isolating for them. We want to have an extra step to help those children alongside their peers and explore strategies to support better decision making towards others. It is our duty to ensure that all children are able to recognise how they feel and how they make others feel too. The RSHE curriculum supports this weekly too at age-appropriate levels.

This amended policy has been approved by the governing body, trialled successfully in term 2 and is now live on the website. This is the amended excerpt (p5/6):

Persistent behaviour Issues

If specific behaviour issues persist, further consequences might arise in discussion with class teacher and the Pastoral Team. This might include:

- *Time out in another class*
- *Exclusion from the playground if the problems arise there.*

If persistent poor behaviour has warranted the issue of repeated red cards within a short period (3 or more within a one-to-two-week period) and/or a true case of bullying has been identified following an investigation, then the incidents will be escalated to a member of the senior leadership team (SLT) who will instigate the creation of an individual 'Check-In' Card.

The Check-In card will be personalised to support our positive approach to identifying how behaviours can be improved rather than what the child may not have been doing well.

The member of SLT supporting a particular child will depend on specific needs, and behaviours presented. The Check-In process will be for two weeks during which time there will discussions and targets set. There will be 3 to 4 check-in times during the school day with the member of SLT; these will be appropriate to the child, learning and break times when issues have taken place.

No further red cards can be given during this; some restrictions may be in place to further support.

Parents will be informed and should acknowledge that, if they are contacted, it will be as a result of persistent misbehaviour which will have been recorded. A copy of the targets set will be sent home.

Full and proactive engagement by the child will be expected.

Parents will be asked to attend a meeting if there is no improvement to discuss next steps.



KENT-TEACH.COM

Nationally, schools are finding it hard to recruit. If you or someone you know would like to join our team, we have two positions vacant. Please take a look at the links below and call in for a chat. Deadline for application is soon...

- ❖ [Midday Meal Supervisor Teaching/Child Support at Claremont Primary School, Tunbridge Wells \(kent-teach.com\)](https://kent-teach.com)
- ❖ [1:1 Teaching Support Assistant and Small Group Intervention Teaching Assistant Teaching/Child Support at Claremont Primary School, Tunbridge Wells \(kent-teach.com\)](https://kent-teach.com)

I would like to say a personal
received as a Christmas gift from you and the PTA. It was filled with delicious goodies and
adult juice. It was very appreciated.

thank you!

for the fantastic hamper!

Have a wonderful weekend,
Mrs Roberts and dedicated Claremont team!





Curriculum Newsletters

This term's curriculum newsletters are now on the website and you will be able to see what your child will be learning in the 'Explore' term. Select the 'Children and Learning' tab at the top of the page and then select 'Claremont – Our Curriculum'.

Drop in for parents and carers of children/young people with Autistic Spectrum Condition/SEN

(Your child/young person does not need to have a diagnosis)

These sessions will enable you to

- meet professionals who may be able to support you and your child. These may include a Specialist Teacher, a representative from the Kent Autistic Trust, a representative from IASK (Information, Advice and Support Kent), Early Help, Space 2 Be Me and other local organisations;
- ask questions and learn more about the support and information you can access through a range of services and recommended reading;
- consider your next steps;
- refreshments will be available.

Town sessions	Rural sessions
Held at Sunrise Children's Centre, London Road, Southborough TN4 0RJ	Held at Sunshine Room, Cranbrook Primary School, Carriers Road, Cranbrook TN17 3JZ
Tuesday 4 October 2022 - 1.00pm to 3.00pm Tuesday 17 January 2023 - 1.00pm to 3.00pm Tuesday 23 May 2023 – 1.00pm to 3.00pm	Monday 28 November 2022 - 1.00pm to 3.00pm Monday 20 March 2023 - 1.00pm to 3.00pm Monday 26 June 2023 – 1.00pm to 3.00pm

Please call Julie Goodfellow 01892 502466 or email Julie.goodfellow@stlsoutreach.org.uk if you have any queries