

# CLAREMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER FOR WEEK ENDING 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018

## Whole School

### Thursday 5th July - Launch of Claremont Art Exhibition

#### Royal Victoria Place Shopping Centre

Claremont proudly present the amazing Art exhibition (which was in the school hall on Monday 21 May) in Royal Victoria Place Shopping Centre. The launch date will be on **Thursday 5th July at 5.30** in an empty shop unit (used to be Yankee Candle) and will be **opened by the Town Mayor**. The Art Exhibition will be in the shopping mall all over the summer holidays so make sure you visit your child's amazing Art work. We would love to see you all there at the launch and thank you for your support. Please see below for a plea for help for the logistics involved!

#### Request for help

Has anybody got a van (like a transit van) to help us transport some tables and Art work on Wednesday 4 July before 15.30. We would also be very grateful for help to move the tables into the space in the Tunbridge Wells Mall for the Art Exhibition. Please contact Mrs. Roberts if you think you can. Thank you in advance.

One of the Governing Body's resource committee's most important tasks is to review and approve the school budget, which sets out the school's anticipated income and expenditure for the next 3 years. I am pleased to confirm that we ratified Claremont's budget at our last meeting.

You might be aware that the Government has introduced a new national funding formula for schools at what is a tricky time for schools' finances overall. Even though Claremont has generally benefitted slightly from the changes to the formula, the funding picture remains challenging for us. Our income is set to decline over the next three years, while expenditure costs (such as salaries and employer's National Insurance) will increase.

Claremont is very fortunate in having an excellent and experienced School Business Manager and finance team, including governors. Thanks to their prudent planning over recent years, we are in a better position than most schools to manage this situation. We are also very fortunate to have a supportive parent body, who directly help the school to function by volunteering their time and dedication, and a superb PTA, who together have provided much needed funding over recent years. This funding has made (and will continue to make) a significant contribution to maintaining and improving school resources and the governors would like to thank you once again for your hard work.

As you may also be aware, Claremont is a national support and teaching school with a strong reputation in the county. As such, we are able to attract and retain outstanding staff, at all levels, thereby ensuring educational excellence and innovation. Income generation and grant funding through this programme of school to school support also aids the financial challenges faced in education, adding strength to Claremont's budget.

That is a brief look at the background to our budget at Claremont. We have to be aware that the challenges will increase over the next few years. We will continue in our work to maximise and to scrutinise the school's finances so we can maintain the high teaching standards and the broad, exciting curriculum that we all want.

Andy Child  
Chair of Resources Committee.

Please find attached a consultation document sent on behalf of the Skinners School regarding increasing their intake from September 2019.

## Year 6

We are planning to watch 'The Young Victoria' with the class on Monday next week. It is a PG and we will be showing carefully selected scenes. Please let us know in writing by Monday morning if there are any concerns.

Next week, as part of their preparations for secondary school, Year 6 will be given a homework planner and set homework throughout the week. Some tasks may require the full week to complete while some may be expected the following day. We have taken into account that a number of pupils are going on induction days to their new secondary schools. The children will need to bring in folder of some description to ensure their homework is taken to and from school without getting crumpled!

Y6 will be taking part in the Race for Life on Tuesday afternoon while the rest of the school will be running on Thursday.

## Sports

### Gymnastics Success at County Final

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 16 children went to represent Tunbridge Wells in the Kent School Games Finals in Maidstone. These children had to memorise 2 different routines (body management and floor), plus attempt a vault. All the children did a superb job and performed their routines with balance and poise. The results were as follows:

Y5/6 Level 3: Alice Brandon, Sidney Fernandez, Lloyd Osborne and Ruby Bran (9<sup>th</sup> Place)

Y5/6 Level 2: Adam Daniels, Alice Dobson, Tia Corrigan and Vivi Lester (9<sup>th</sup> place)

Y3/4: Amelie Hallam, Emma Speechley, Willa White and Henry Bowers (1<sup>st</sup> PLACE GOLD MEDALS!)

Y1/2: Molly Box, Poppy Pawson, Cressida Dascombe and Ellis Freeman (1<sup>st</sup> PLACE GOLD MEDALS!)

This is the first time Claremont have won multiple golds, and the Y5/6's weren't far away from the medals!



### Cricket Invasion at St Marks:

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 60 children from across Y3-6 played in a cricket tournament at St Marks recreation ground. In the Y3/4 competition the A team finished 3<sup>rd</sup>, the B team finished 5<sup>th</sup>, and the C team finished 8<sup>th</sup>. Hugo Tizzard and Freddie Martin won prizes for their superb batting and bowling.

In the Y5/6 competition there was some fierce opposition, but all played well. I'm not too sure where they all finished, but there was some superb batting, bowling and fielding from all!

## Cyclefest at Bewl

Last Friday 79 children went to Bewl Water with their bikes. This was the first staging of this event, and it was amazing. All the children thoroughly enjoyed cycling with each year group cycling the following distances: Y1,2 and 3 cycled around 5km and Y4 and 5 around 7.5km.

The weather was superb and the children cycled on paths, and wooded areas in various races.

The results were as follows:

Y1& 2 Boys: 1<sup>st</sup>- Adam Waghorn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alfie Trowsdale, 3<sup>rd</sup> Giac Balini

Y1&2 Girls: 1<sup>st</sup>: Nancy Pashley, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Aggie Westlake, 3<sup>rd</sup> Izzy Ford

Y3 Boys: 1<sup>st</sup> Sebastien Bailey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Seb Bailey, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dylan Brown

Y3 Girls: 1<sup>st</sup> Georgia Moran, 2<sup>nd</sup> Allegra Da Silva Lima, 3<sup>rd</sup> Iris Holroyd

Y4 Boys: 1<sup>st</sup> Robin Lester, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Stannage, 3<sup>rd</sup> Gil Evans

Y4 Girls: 1<sup>st</sup> Elisa Grech, 2<sup>nd</sup> Emma Critchley and Stella Winter, 3<sup>rd</sup> Beatrice Coleman

Y5 Boys: 1<sup>st</sup> Noah Florence Mylne, 2<sup>nd</sup> George Vincent, 3<sup>rd</sup> Luke Wells

Y5 Girls: 1<sup>st</sup> Candela Quinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Flora Donaldson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anika Minster

Thank you to all those parents that transported bikes and children to Bewl.



## **Class Medals**

**Saplings** – Cameron Davidson, Macie Wilson, Ben Skinner **Acorns** – Florentine Heymer, Ted Evans, Oscar Szarowicz  
**Ash** – Charlotte Tubb, Grace Maclean **Elm** – Lizzie MacAdie, Harry Rowton

## **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.

**2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Y5 to SKA all day, YR height and weight checks am, Hawthorn to Dunorlan pm, 6.00pm IOW meeting for parents

**3<sup>rd</sup> July** – Infant Games at Tonbridge all day.

**4<sup>th</sup> July** – 4.00-6.00pm Open Evening

**5<sup>th</sup> July** – 1.30pm Race for Life at Claremont, 5.00pm Art Exhibition launch at RVP

**6<sup>th</sup> July** – 3.00pm Parents invited to meet new class teachers