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Wishing you a Very Happy Summer!

Thank you!

We are so close to the end of term now and this will be the final newsletter of the year. I wanted to extend a huge thank you to all families for your support this year – especially over the last two terms as your new head teacher. I certainly don't feel new anymore! We have been a very strong school family supporting each other through a very difficult year.

I also want to extend my huge thanks to all our staff team who have supported the children so well – academically, socially and emotionally. I hoped you enjoyed reading your child's report. Thank you to those parents/carers who have sent comments back – feedback is always much appreciated.

We only have a few events left now:

- **Monday 19th July** - Milkshake Monday -50p for a milkshake
- **Monday 19th July** – Year 6 Leaver's Assembly at 2.15pm
- **Tuesday 20th July** – Year 6 arch down the hill at 3.00pm
- **Tuesday 20th July** – End of term - All classes finish at the normal time

We wish all our Year 6 children all the very best for their futures – keep shining bright!

When the holiday finally arrives I wish you all a very happy and relaxing break!

Congratulations to EYFS



We are very proud to announce that we received the Lancashire Quality Award in Early Reading this week. The award recognises that our setting has a reading rich environment and that the development of early reading skills is of high importance every day.

Many thanks to Mrs Govier who led the team through the process of reflecting on and developing our practice so that our children make such good progress in their reading skills.

Well done to the EYFS Team!

Getting Ready for September

- **Children will come to school wearing PE kits on the days they have PE.**

PE kit is a white, round necked T-shirt

Plain black shorts or black jogging bottoms/ leggings

NO OTHER SPORTS CLOTHES/ HOODIES to be worn

Children will wear their school jumper/cardigan if chilly outdoors

Black pumps or plain dark trainers

- **NO JEWELLRY TO BE WORN ON ANY DAYS** – no earrings for safety reasons on any days.

- **Full school uniform needs to be worn in September** -

A reminder of uniform is on the website under the parent/carer tab

- **Drop off in the morning will be from 8.40am to 8.50am for all year groups**
- **End of the day pick up times will remain staggered**

The pick-up times will be:

- **EYFS – 3.15pm**
- **Year 1 and 2 – 3.20pm**
- **Year 3 and 4 – 3.25pm**
- **Year 5 and 6 – 3.30pm**

Last chance to buy a balloon for the race on Sunday. Click here to join in:

<https://ecoracing.co/user/page/1818>



The poster is for a virtual balloon race. At the top, it features the school's crest and name: Clayton-le-Woods Church Of England Primary School PTFA. The main title is 'Join our virtual Balloon Race' in large, playful letters. Below this, a red banner lists prizes: 1st Place: Golf Voucher for 2 at Duxbury Park, 2nd Place: Chocolate Hamper, and 3rd Place: £20 Barton Grange Voucher. The text states the race starts on 17 July 2021 and lasts for 1 week, being real but online. It also mentions that entry costs just £3 per balloon. A call to action says 'Decorate your virtual balloon before the race!'. At the bottom, it provides the entry link: <https://ecoracing.co/user/page/1818>. The background is a colorful illustration of a landscape with trees, a path, and several balloons in various colors (red, yellow, blue, green, purple). The Ecoracing logo is in the bottom right corner.

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A Much Appreciated Act of Kindness

Mrs Bolton and Year 4 recently decided to help hospital patients and families who, because of an increase in Covid infections, were no longer able to have visiting times. The children sewed connecting hearts and wrote lovely messages in cards.



The hearts were delivered to Royal Preston Hospital by Mrs Bolton's sister. This afternoon we had a surprise visitor from a man named Mike. He was so touched to receive a heart, and so was his wife who was in hospital with MS, that he came into school to say thank you. He gave the children a gift each and left a cheque for school funds. A true story of how one kind act leads to another!



A Huge Thank You to everyone who took part in the Summer PTFA Raffle

The money raised was £187.50 and draws are taking place this week. Let school know if you are a winner!

Asda Green Token Scheme

Please vote for our school's Community Garden Project: You can vote with no need to purchase anything every week until 31st July by visiting: <https://www.asda.com/green-tokens> and searching for Clayton Green.



If you shop with Amazon sign up to Amazon Smile and they make a donation to school at no extra cost to yourself. You can join using this link.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1026396-0>

And search for 'Friends of Clayton-le-Woods Primary School' A letter with further details will be emailed separately if you need further details.

How Does Your Garden Grow?

Our school garden is blooming – many thanks to Mr Molloy and all the gardeners. Mr Molloy is also digging out our new pond which is going to be fantastic.

Year 3 gathered a super harvest of potatoes this week - I hope you enjoy eating them!

At our staff meeting on Wednesday we had a practical, roll your sleeves up session on building fences in the woodland area with Mr Howard and lots of willow. I wonder how many of you planted and tended the wild flower seeds we sent home? Poppy in Year 4 has a wonderful show of flowers in her garden – beautiful!



Teddy Bear's Picnics

All the cuddly toys enjoyed a special summer picnic with EYFS and KS1 on Thursday!



Year 1 Scientists in the Making



Year 2 try their hand at Fencing



If you are wanting to practise your maths over summer then check out these free resources...



<https://whiterosemaths.com/morrison/>

Cuerden Valley

Year 4 visited the valley on Monday and soon found themselves in torrential rain. They still caught several fish in the river though and spirits were not dampened. Year 5 faired better with the weather yesterday on their visit.



Our second award this week was the Highly Commended Certificate for our Scarecrow Family – well done scarecrow creators!



Clayton-le Woods Parish Council



Highly Commended



2021

Commended Participant

Courage

And finally, we have been thinking about our Christian value of Courage again this week. We completed the story of Joshua and found that he drew on God's strength to give him courage. We know that as we are faced with different challenges we can also draw on strength, comfort and courage from God. We especially thought about our Year 6 children moving on to high school and how they will need courage to make good choices in all kinds of situations they will face. We know you can do it Year 6 – and we all wish you the very best.



You performed an amazing play this week – wowing us all with your talents! We look forward to celebrating the end of the year with you on Monday and Tuesday – two very special days.