Cleobury Mortimer Primary







Headteacher: Mrs S Desborough Chair of Governors: Mr J Payton Monday 26th February, 2024

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In School:

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable half term holiday. The children have all settled back into the school routines well and there is a happy, purposeful buzz around school.

Staffing Updates

First of all, I have some good news to share. Mrs Archer has told us that she is expecting a baby which is due in late August. She is hoping to continue working until the end of the summer term before starting her maternity leave, which means that her current class (Year 1) will hopefully have her as their class teacher for the rest of the academic year. I know she has told Badger Class her news this afternoon, and the children have already had their thinking hats on, coming up with lots of ideas for baby names! I am sure you will all join me in congratulating her on this wonderful news.

Mrs Collier has been back in school recently, as her maternity leave is coming to an end. She will be teaching in Year 5 three days a week from Easter, as the Kestrel Class teacher, once Mr Dawes has left.

Our advert for a new Deputy Headteacher is currently out, and I have already shown several prospective candidates around, with three more booked in this week. The interviews are scheduled for mid March, and I will share the outcome of this process with parents shortly before Easter. We are very hopeful that we will be able to recruit an excellent candidate, as we know that Mr Dawes will leave big shoes to fill.

Parent Survey

Just a reminder that the 'Parent Survey' was sent out via Arbor a few days a go. We send the questionnaire annually to gain feedback from parents and carers so that we can consider your views when planning for school improvement. Following last year's questionnaire, we were able to respond to parental feedback and make significant changes to our provision. For example, we now offer a 'wraparound' childcare service and have developed the Early Years playground. It is also nice to hear any positive feedback that you have, as it is lovely to be able to share this with the staff who work hard on the children's behalf. If you haven't yet responded to the survey, the link is here: https://forms.office.com/e/uMs2rnXacr

Friends Events

Once again, the FRIENDs of Cleobury Mortimer Primary School have been working hard to plan events that raise funds for school, as well as activities that the children will enjoy. On Thursday, we held our 'Spring Disco' which all children had the opportunity to attend. Owl, Fox and Ducklings toom part during the afternoon, with children in KS1 and KS2 coming back to join the fun after school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and staff who gave up their time to help organize and run this event—I know the children thoroughly enjoyed it and we raised £458.51 for school funds.

Finally, I was visited by Mrs Murrell in school today. Many of you might know Mrs Murrell as she taught at Lacon for many years. She has provided a 10kg Easter Egg (hand decorated) that we are able to raffle off for school funds. The FRIENDs are going to organize the raffle over the next few weeks—further information to follow.

I hope you have a good week

Mrs Desborough

Dates for your Diary:

26.2.24	Badger Class 'Toy Museum in School'
28.2.24	Dodgeball County Final (Telford)

29.2.24 Y5&6 'High 5' Netball (Ludlow)

5.3.24 KS2 Orienteering (Cardingmill Valley)

6.3.24 STARs Rugby (CMPS)

7.3.24 World Book Day - Storyteller in school

8.3.24 Girls Football (Lacon)

13.3.24 STARs Rugby

14.3.24 EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade

15.3.24 Red Nose Day

18.3.24 EYFS Easter Craft Workshop

19.3.24 Y5 Taster Day (Lacon)

21.3.24 Tag Rugby

21.3.24 Poetry Slam Event (Lacon)

EASTER:

Monday 25th March—Monday 8th April



STARS OF THE WEEK (Friday 23rd February)



Ducklings: Arabella Fox: Lennon and Rory Badger: Porscha and Rowan

Cubs: Alicia and Mason

Hedgehog: Owen and Dolph **Rabbit:** Jenson and Jazmin

Hare: Isla W and Alfie
Kestrel: Darcey and Alfie
Mole: Georgia and Malachi

Owl: Theo

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Recent photos from school events:





Sponsored Athlete Visit

Spring School Disco

Useful Support for Families in the Local Area

Shropshire Parenting Team- https://shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/early-help/the-parenting-team/ Call the helpline: 01743 250950 Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am to 12.30pm.
 Cleobury Mortimer Food bank, Market Hall - 07519 885943



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 https://capuk.org/ - money and debt advice, tel: 0800 3280006



Shropshire Domestic Abuse Service tel: 0300 303 1191



Cleobury Community Hub, supporting young people, tel:07828116810



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