



Cubbington C of E Primary School

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Achieving, Belonging, Caring

21st October 2016

Newsletter No.4

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are now 1/6 of the way through this academic year. This half term has absolutely flown by and school has been a hive of activity. The children have all settled into their new classes and you would never know that our youngest children have just started school.

As you know we are still waiting for an Ofsted inspection and we all feel that we are in a great place for this to happen. Our results in the summer were good in all phases and we are very pleased with the progress that the children made. We are continuing to work on the recommendations that Ofsted left us with and we can clearly show the progress that has been made in many areas. Please can I encourage you to log into Parent View to give your opinions on our school. <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views> Ofsted will take the views of parents, staff and children into account on the day of the inspection.

We will say goodbye to Liz Baitson from our office at the end of the month and we will welcome Jen Godfrey to join us as our new finance officer. Jen will be dealing with all things money related eg. Parent Pay, after school clubs, music lessons etc but please bear with us as she learns the ropes!

Parent Pay

Please can you ensure that you are checking Parent Pay on a regular basis. There are a number of school trips happening just after half term and unfortunately they may have to be postponed if we are unable to cover the costs incurred.

Charity event

Eileen Mulligan is organising a fundraiser, in aid of Crisis, at Cubbington Sports & Social club, on Saturday 29th October. There will be a children's disco and fancy dress party 5pm to 7pm, then a Halloween party and disco 7pm to midnight. Entry to the event is free and there will be refreshments on sale. The charity fundraiser is for the Crisis Christmas appeal – a £3 donation will buy Christmas dinner for a homeless person.

Congratulations

Mrs Varney has just finished her final assignment and has completed her Masters in Early Years Education. This is a super achievement and shows the children that we can all continue to learn even when you are a grown up!

Poppy sales

We will be selling British Legion Poppies to the children after half term in the lead up to Remembrance Sunday. We suggest a donation of around 20p for a poppy. We also have a range of other poppy items such as wristbands, rulers and pencils and the cost of these are on the document attached.

PTA

The PTA have requested donations of teddies for the teddy tombola at the Christmas fair. Please send your donations in to the office.

The PTA are also looking for a large (approx. 8ft) real Christmas tree for the children to decorate and display in the school hall. If you know anyone who might be able to help us to source a tree for free (or very cheaply) ten please get in touch. Flyers have been distributed for the PTA quiz on the 18th November – get your tickets now!

Our Christian Value next half term is RESPECT



Big Hedge Big dig

The Garden of Eden are planning a Big Hedge Dig on Saturday 12th November from 10am-12 noon. They want to put the garden to bed for the winter and to plant a brand new hedge. The morning will be very relaxed and you can turn up at a time convenient to you. Please can you bring willies and spades. If you have any carpentry skills and tools please bring them along too.

The volunteers would love to extend the gardening sessions to 2 per week in 2017 but they need more help. If you think you can please phone Pam on 01926 773894 or 07792994811.

Message from the local police

Warwick Rural East Safer Neighbourhood Team has received a number of complaints with regards to parents/carers parking their vehicles inconsiderately/dangerously during school drop-off and pick-up times. There is concern for children's safety.

PARKING GUIDELINES

- *To provide visibility for other road users, you should not park within 10 metres of a junction.
- **To allow persons to utilise the footpaths, you must not obstruct the footpaths and/or drop kerbs.
- ***You must keep pedestrian crossings clear and not park/wait on yellow/white zigzag lines.
- ****Allow room for traffic flow/emergency vehicles.

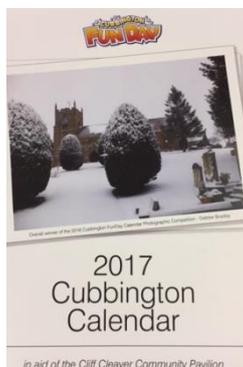
CHILDREN'S SAFETY

Please ensure that your children enter/exit your vehicle from the kerb side and not from the road. Children entering/exiting a vehicle from the road increases the risk to your child's safety.

We hope that you adhere to the above advice. Warwick Rural East SNT may attend the location to conduct school safety patrols. Vehicles causing an obstruction/concern will be dealt with accordingly.

Cubbington Village Calendar

At the Cubbington Fun Day in July there was a competition to take pictures of our village and these have now been made into a calendar. If you would like to purchase one of these calendars for £5 the organisers have agreed to donate £1 to the school. Please send in £5 cash to the office marked 'Cubbington calendar' if you would like one.



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Harvest competition winners

I was very pleased to be asked to judge the harvest competition alongside one of our governors and I am pleased to announce that the winners are:

KS1 Gold – Sam T

KS1 Silver – Sam R

KS1 Bronze – Evelyn E

KS2 Gold – Emma T

KS2 Silver – Callum G

KS2 Bronze – Pippa T Hannah S & Tilly T

Well done to all of the entrants. A great deal of work went into the art work and Mrs Arben is planning on displaying all entries in the KS2 corridor.

Reminders

Tuesday 1st November – Year 4 museum trip all day

Tuesday 1st November – Year 2 trip to Guide dogs at 12.30pm

Wednesday 2nd November – Year 3 Temple visit in the morning

Monday 7th November – PTA meeting

Saturday 12th November – Garden of Eden Big Hedge Dig 10am

Friday 18th November – PTA quiz in the hall at 7.30pm

Thursday 24th November and **Tuesday 29th November** – Parents evenings (information on how to sign up to follow)

Thursday 8th December 2.30pm and **Friday 9th December** 9.30am – KS1 and Reception Christmas production

Wednesday 14th December 2.30pm – KS2 Carol Concert

Sharing Assemblies

We look forward to seeing parents and carers from the Year 3 Kingfishers in school on Friday 4th November for their sharing assembly. The sharing assembly for Year 1 Swifts will be the week after on the 11th November. Young pre-school children are welcome to join us for these assemblies but we ask that if they get upset during the assembly please can you take them out so that the children can be heard when they are speaking.

I hope that you have an enjoyable half term and that you all stay safe at bonfire parties and firework displays.

Kind regards,

Juliet Jones
Head teacher