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King's Cliffe Endowed Primary School Growing a Love for Learning

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<u>Tea-Time Talk</u>

Our school value of the fortnight is UNDERSTANDING. In light of the current situation globally with the Coronavirus, we have been thinking about the ways in which we can show our understanding with our friends and family.

This Week's Good News

As part of our celebrations for Chinese New Year we had Chinese Painting workshops on Tuesday. The children were taught how to draw and write using a Chinese brush pen and ink. They drew bamboo and pandas and had their names written out for them in Chinese.



On Wednesday, our Year 4 class took part in the annual Candlemas at St Peter's Church, Oundle. As always, the

children were wonderful ambassadors for the school. We were the only school whose children knew their lines off by heart and we even had a member of the public comment on how well the children performed their songs and actions, saying they were the best school there. Well done Year 4!

Year 1 had their class assembly on Thursday and the topic was space and a story about Pluto being the 9th planet needing to find his identity. The children were amazing. They spoke with confidence and clearly enjoyed their topic on space. Thank you



to all those parents and families who came along to support them and to the adults who helped the children prepare for their assembly.

Well done to Gabriel Blake who played in the SYBA Bridge Tournament last Sunday. Gabriel was the only child representing King's Cliffe and was a credit to the school. He played really well and received a certificate and badge.

A reminder that when we come back after the half term break, our KS2 outdoor gym equipment is being installed for children to use during break times and PE lessons. The children are very excited about using the equipment to keep fit.

E-Safety

A reminder that next week is e-safety week where we will be talking to the children about how to stay safe on line.

Online Safety & Wellbeing Session

There will be an Online Safety & Wellbeing session at Oundle Primary School on the evening of 11th March, delivered by Simon Aston. Please see attached flyer for more information.

After School Dance Class

In last week's newsletter we said that the after school dance will be open to KS2 pupils. At this time, we can only offer this club to Years 5 & 6 as they work towards the Showcase Event. Apologies for any confusion.

Diary Dates

Monday, 10th Feb E-Safety Week One Touch Football for Yrs 1-2 & 3-6 @ 3.25-4.25 Tennis Club for Yrs 2-6 @ 3.30-4.30 Kids4Fitness for Yrs 1-2 @ 3.30-4.30 Homework Club for Yrs 1-6 @ 3.30-4.15

Tuesday, 11th Feb Gymnastics Club for Yrs 1-2 @ 08.00- 08.45am Film Club for Yrs 3-6 @ 3.30-4.30 Gymnastics Club for Yrs 3-6 @ 3.30-4.30

Wednesday, 12th Feb Guitar Club for Yrs 3-6 @ 3.30-4.00

Thursday, 13th Feb Individual School Photos Kids4Fitness for Yrs 3-6 @ 3.30-4.30

<u>Friday, 14th Feb</u>

Northamptonshire Mental Health Awareness Day School closes @3.25pm for half term

Future Dates

Monday, 24th Feb

School re-opens to pupils School Book Fortnight begins <u>Y5 Tudor Day @</u> <u>Holdenby House</u>

<u>Tuesday, 25th Feb</u> Illustrator Children Workshop—Whole School

<u>Thursday, 27th Feb</u> <u>FS Exotic Animal</u> <u>Rescue</u> <u>Y3 & Y4 County</u> <u>Gymnastics Finals</u>

A Note from the PFA

Whooo it's Friday! The golden child of the weekdays. The superhero of the workweek. The welcome wagon to the weekend.

Thank you to everyone who has returned their disco slips. We've heard a couple of you may not have received one in your child's book bag so please, if you haven't received the letter, let us know or a member of the office staff and we will get one to you. All the details are on the attached poster.

You will also see we've attached the Quiz and pudding poster so please see those details. A letter will be coming out either today or early next week.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend

From all the PFA team

Action Research

The Year 1 team (Mrs Horton and Mrs Law) would like to inform you that they are taking part in some exciting action research in formative assessment which will mean that there will be some changes occurring as part of how the classroom routines and teaching and learning is happening. This is currently just involving Year 1 but will be rolled out across school in due course. One of the changes this week, for example, has been the classroom layout of tables and also how we embrace learning together with our learning partners. We would welcome you talking to your children about these as we will be valuing the pupil voice throughout this work. We hope that this will inspire the children to 'grow a love of learning' even more than they currently do.

Christmas Performances

We are now able to share the download information to enable parents to view both the Pre-School & Foundation Stage Christmas nativity and the Y1-Y6 Christmas performance. Please ensure that the links are not shared on any social media, they are for your own personal viewing only.

PS & FS:

https://drive.google.com/open?id=103DPFFhyWPnjEpBIKrHQCgraetU_EAsx

Y1—Y6:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FSQx8ZLvQV6q3evIIfeExIKKqRLgiN3t/view? usp=sharing

Future Dates

<u>Monday, 2nd Mar</u> <u>Y2 Trip to Rockingham</u> <u>Castle</u> <u>KS2—Author Ruth</u> Eastham in School

<u>Wed 4th Mar</u> Y6 Living Rainforest

<u>Thursday, 5th Mar</u> World Book Day 9th—12th—Y5 Bikeability

<u>Wednesday, 11th Mar</u> Year 3 Class Assembly Online Safety & Wellbeing Session @ Oundle Primary School— 6-7pm

<u>Monday, 16th Mar</u> <u>Parents' Evening –</u> <u>Early</u>

<u>Wednesday, 18th Mar</u> <u>Parents' Evening – Late</u>

Wednesday, 25th Mar Year 4 Class Assembly Y6 SATS Info Evening for parents—6pm

<u>Monday, 30th Mar</u> <u>Yrs 3, 4 & 5 Oundle</u> <u>Festival</u>

<u>Tuesday, 31st Mar</u> <u>Y6 Oundle Festival</u>

<u>Friday, 3rd April</u> School closes @3.25pm for Easter break

<u>Monday, 20th April</u> Teacher inset day

<u>Tuesday, 21st April</u> School re-opens to pupils

Dates for the Diary

In order to give families as much warning as possible please find a list of the all the events that are planned in our diary. Please note that dates and times may be subject to change. Further details will follow as we get closer to the event. <u>Please note changes and new dates have been marked in green/bold/</u> <u>underlined</u>

May

8th—Bank Holiday—school will be closed 4th—Year 2 SATS begin 11th—Year 6 SATS begin 21st—May Pole Festival 22nd—School closes @3.25pm for half term

<u>June</u>

Ist—School re-opens to pupils 8th—Phonics Screening begins 15th—18th—Years 3 & 4 Residential 18th—Primary Dance Festival at The Cresset 24th—FS Class Assembly 26th—Sports Day

<u>July</u> 3rd—Back up Sports Day 10th—TASC Enterprise @ 3pm 14th—Leavers' Performance @ 1.30pm & 6pm 17th—Leavers' Church Services @ 9.30am 17th—School closes @3.25pm for summer holiday

