



# Clare's Got Talent!

Friday, June 30th, 2017

# Newsletter



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What a lovely half-term we are having. We had a fantastic Den day with Oak and Beech classes making some truly inventive shelters, and then last Wednesday it was the turn of Acorn, Beech, Cedar and Elm classes to enjoy some theatre. The younger children had some storytelling, whilst Elm class got involved in the dramatic retelling of 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. I dropped in to see this, and the children were enraptured.

Then last Friday, it was an absolute delight to see so many of our talented musicians perform in the annual Summer Music Concert, organised so ably by Mrs Brown, Mrs Snelling, our violin teacher, and Mrs Warrack, our piano teacher.

I was so impressed by the courage of our performers, getting up to play in front of the whole

school and an adult audience; and their resilience in keeping on going even if there was a rare false-start or wrong note.

It was also really pleasing to see how much the children enjoyed seeing their class-mates perform. We had a lot of feet tapping, hands clapping and the whole audience singing at one point, as we all joined in.

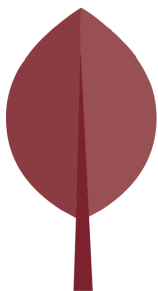
Then yesterday, we had our first Humanities Open Afternoon. I spent a fun-filled afternoon learning about the different parts of a river in Larch class as they junk-modelled and used a watering can and sand to recreate a river's journey. Then I popped in on Cedar to see their mini Victoria sponges and Florence Nightingale's lanterns, looked at the fabulous Canopic jars in Elm (Wow- those tops are amazing, all in the shape of animals!) and entered the toy factory in Beech. I had a go on the ball and tops and then was lured

into Acorn by the smell of the fruity lighthouses and the ice-cream shop. Then it was back off up to Hazel as Pompeii erupted and into Oak to look at some very funny powerpoints on medicine through the ages and look at the clever Viking bracelets made from loom bands- what a great idea.

It has been great to see so many parents and carers, as well as several trust governors coming into school for these events- and I hope you have enjoyed seeing what your children have been getting up to this term: we are very proud of what they have achieved.

We look forward to welcoming you once again into school next week as we begin our five days of sports- remember that children can attend school in their PE clothes if they wish, just for this week.

**Rebecca Loader**  
Headteacher



**Race for Life** This is just a reminder that we have set up a Just Giving page to raise money for this charity when we carry out our Race for Life event on Monday afternoon <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/clare-primary-school> . We will be starting the race at 1.30pm and you will be able to take your children home when the race finishes. Fingers crossed for clear skies!

# Music Lessons

Dear Parent/Guardian,

You may be aware that I provide violin and viola tuition at Clare Primary School.

From September 2017, after the existing Year 6 pupils have moved school I will have some vacancies for new pupils.

The costs of lessons are:

Individual tuition for 20 minutes - £10.00 per lesson.

Group (of 2) tuition for 20 minutes - £5.00 per pupil per lesson.

The school has a small stock of instruments which are available for loan at a cost of £5.00 per term. If you wish to use one of these, please indicate this on the form below. If there is over subscription I will have to allocate instruments on a first come first served basis, allowing for size and instrument (violin/viola).

Your child will need an instrument to practise on at home so if you are not allocated a school instrument you will need to hire one or purchase one the correct size. Please consult me to ensure you get the right size instrument for your child and that it will be of reasonable quality. I recommend Balaam's music shop in Bury St Edmunds or Compact Music in Sudbury where you will be able to rent or buy a good instrument at reasonable rates.

Invoices will be sent to you directly and are payable at the beginning of each half term. If you are interested in your child starting lessons please complete the form below and return it to the school office as soon as possible.

Penny Snelling

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I would like my child to start lessons on the violin\*/viola\* on an individual\*/group\* basis.

Child's Name..... School Instrument required:  
Yes\*/No\*

Parent/Guardian's  
Name.....

Home Tel:..... Mobile Tel:.....

Email Address.....

\* Please delete as appropriate

Please return this slip to the school office in an envelope addressed to Mrs P Snelling

# Outdoor Classroom

We would like to enlist the help of some strong parents to move some log seats from the Country Park, to just outside the pond area at school, with a view to forming an outdoor classroom.

Our plan is to have 30 tree stumps arranged in a circle, so that we can utilize this under-used

area for story-telling, PSHE and much, much more.

Ideally, if any parent has a van, and would like to help after school one day, please let the office know your contact details. We have the agreement of the country park, and we just need to arrange trans-

portation to move the logs to the school and into position.

It will be a super area for all classes to use, then, when we hopefully have the next hot spell!

## **Parents Consultation Evening Monday, 10th July 3-5pm**

This will be an opportunity for you to drop in and meet your child's new class teacher– **no appointments required**- between 3 and 4.15pm .

*If you wish to discuss an issue from the report, please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher between **4.15pm** and **5.00pm**, appointments can be booked by speaking directly with the class teacher.*

# Dates for your Diary

Monday, July 3rd – Friday, July 6th – SPORTS WEEK

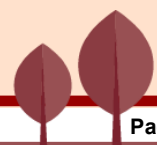
Thursday, July 6th – Sports Morning & Summer Fete until 3.30 pm

Friday, July 7th – Reports Out

Monday, July 10th – Parents' Consultation Evening 3-5pm

Tuesday, 11th July – Transition Day for all Year Groups

Tuesday, 18th, and Wednesday, 19th July – Year 5 and Year 6 performances





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## Clare Community Primary Netball YR 5/6 - SVCS HIGH 5 COMP

Clare Primary drew their opening two games 2-2 against Glemsford and eventual winners Great Yeldham. This showed how well the team achieved and how close the competition was overall. Clare lost the following game 0-3 but bounced back from this with a much improved performance, drawing 0-0 against a very good side in Ridgewell. Clare built on this performance, winning two of their remaining three games 4-2 and 3-0. Clare finished the competition in 4th place. All players did amazingly well, (particularly in the heat), and it was emphasised by the staff at Stour Valley Community School that the standard of netball on display for their age was incredible! It has been a pleasure to coach the children this year and it was clear to see their progression from the tournament at Castle Manor a couple of months ago. Also a big thank you to the parents who came to support and cheer the team on!

Mr Bareham



We did outstandingly well at the **Quad Kids Athletic tournament**, at Castle Manor Academy in Haverhill this week, coming first and winning the shield. The next step is the District Sports next Friday, how exciting! What with our football triumph (Prestige Sports Primary League Winners 2016-17) and a gold cup to boot, I think we are going to have to get a big shelf to start displaying our winnings on!

A massive well done to our competitors, and a big thank you to the staff involved— Mr Woodward, Mr Shinn and Mr Bareham.

