



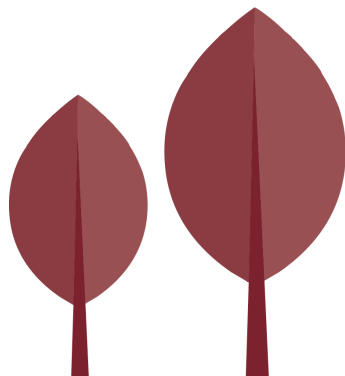
CLARE COMMUNITY  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thursday, July 15th, 2021

# Newsletter



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# A Whirlwind of Events!

## WHAT A TERM!!

**As we crawl through the last few days of a very unusual term, it is amazing to reflect on all the events that have taken place, even in the context of such a difficult time. Many thanks for all your continuing support; we have been so pleased to have been able to welcome parents into school safely to share in some of these.**

## YEAR 6 OVERNIGHT CAMP

What a time was had by all! Mr Bareham, Mrs Stranger and Mrs Stocker put the Year 6s through their paces during the day with a series of outdoor activities which embraced all kinds of skills— head-dresses were made, some brilliant outdoor artistic installations were erected, a scavenger hunt took place in the Nuttery and there were all kind of high jinxes with parachutes.

Then we feasted on fish and chips in the evening, and cooked marshmallows and home-made bread over a camp fire. Sadly, we couldn't put the tents up due to an awful forecast, but I don't think there was any less fun indoors— just don't tell anyone about the hide and seek game around the school-Sshhhh!

## SUFFOLK DAY

This was our first trip out as a school for the last sixteen months – it felt very strange to all be walking down to the park. Still, this is exactly what we did where we gathered to see the local dignitaries and the Countess of Easton walk in procession to the Market Square. Our older children actually followed the procession and then waited to hear the Suffolk Medal being presented to two local recipients. Then Eleanor in Year 6 presented the Countess with a bouquet of flowers.

We were very proud of Bella in Year 6 and Ben in Year 5 who were also interviewed by Radio Suffolk earlier on in the morning. They did very well, speaking about our involvement with Cotswold Archaeology in virtual workshops organised by Mrs Beers earlier this term. Some of you may have seen some pieces of work, inspired by these workshops, exhibited in a shop front and then in the church.

## CHOOSING DAY

This was the brainwave of the School Council who wanted to raise money towards regenerating the school wildlife area. Children in each class paid a small donation to choose their lessons, their outfit for the day and even their school dinner, thanks to the support of Julie and Donna, the school cooks.

This was so popular that we hope this might become at least an annual event. Donations were incredibly generous and Mrs Stranger, as our resident Forest School Expert, has loads of ideas as to how to make this area much more usable by the school.

## FARM TRIP

Year 1 visited Hollowtree Farm at the end of June. They had a great time, fraternising with various furry friends and generally just enjoying their first school trip for over a year. Adults reported the behaviour as being excellent, and we are really looking forward to taking other classes out next term.

## SPORTS WEEK

See separate report from Mr Bareham on the next page.

## WE'LL MEET AGAIN

My goodness— what a performance...the children really surpassed themselves, especially in front of a masked audience. We felt so proud of them, and so pleased that they finally have had an opportunity to show off their acting and singing skills, for the Year 6s, this was the last opportunity before they leave the school.

## MUSIC CONCERT

Again, nerves were probably increased due to the lack of performances during the last sixteen months, but the children played

brilliantly. We had guitarists, pianists, violinists and for the first time (thanks to Mrs. McIvor's recorder club), recorder players. We were treated to an eclectic collection of pieces, even featuring a very impressive rock performance by Ridley in Year 5! Rock on, Ridley!!

**There is no doubt that pupils and staff are now very ready for a Summer break after a long and exhausting term. I would like to thank Parents and Carers for their continuing support and partnership as we strive to offer the very best for your children. It is testament to the strength of our strong relationships that we have got through this time and have come out the other end still smiling.**

**I know you will join me in offering my heartfelt thanks to our dedicated and resourceful staff team, who have bent over backwards to ensure that children's education has been as seamless as humanly possible but also that children and families have been supported in this transitional term.**

**Lastly, I would like to wish yourselves and your families a relaxing and carefree summer break, so that we all meet together refreshed in September!**

Rebecca Loader  
Headteacher



A Stour Valley Educational Trust Academy

# Sports Week 2021

To kick start Sports Week, we had Will Chapman in from Sudbury Rugby Club in to teach two sessions to KS2 children on Monday before Mr Wilson ran short cricket taster sessions across the school on Tuesday. It is great to be able to offer the children such opportunities with specialist coaches and it was clear to see how much they enjoyed themselves and progressed over the session.

On Wednesday we had inflatables in for KS1 who enjoyed having fun with their friends whilst burning off some energy. All the teachers said how much they enjoyed themselves and it was great to see huge smiles on their faces at the end of the year.

Throughout the week, children in Year 5 were undertaking their cycling proficiency course and (unlike Year 6 earlier in the term) had some great weather. Children said they enjoyed the course and have gained in confidence and understanding of cycling on the road.

Thursday and Friday were track and field events. Year 6 led the field events on Thursday and did a great job demonstrating and supporting the event. It was great to have parents in on Friday supporting the track events. The reintroduction of egg and spoon, 3-legged race and sack race gave sports day a nostalgic feeling and it was so lovely to see smiles on children's faces and hear the cheering of parents.

Thanks to all those involved in making Sports Week so successful.

## FINAL POINTS (SPORTS DAY IN BRACKETS):

- 1st: **Clarence** 2447
- 2nd: **Pashler** 2176
- 3rd: **Castle** 2169
- 4th: **Nethergate** 2086





## UNIFORM POLICY

All pupils are expected to wear Clare Community Primary School uniform. As a member of the school, students will develop a sense of pride in themselves and their uniform. Parental cooperation is essential to achieve this aim.

TERM	EYFS and KS1 (Acorn, Beech and Cedar classes)	KS2 (Elm, Hazel, Larch and Oak classes)
<b>Autumn/ Spring</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School burgundy polo shirt with logo</li> <li>Dark grey trousers, skirt or pinafore (worn to knee)</li> <li>School jumper or cardigan with logo</li> <li>Grey socks or tights</li> <li>Black sensible flat or low-heeled shoes (not trainers or boots)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>White school shirt (short or long-sleeved- any supplier)</li> <li>School tie</li> <li>School jumper or cardigan with logo</li> <li>Dark grey trousers, skirt or pinafore (worn to knee)</li> <li>Grey socks or tights</li> <li>Black sensible shoes (not trainers or boots)</li> </ul>
<b>Summer</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dark grey shorts or red gingham dress may be worn</li> <li>Dark grey or white socks</li> <li>Sensible sandals may be worn with socks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Burgundy polo shirts with logo may be worn instead of shirts and ties</li> <li>Shirts should not be worn without a tie</li> <li>Dark grey shorts or red gingham dress may be worn</li> <li>Dark grey or white socks</li> <li>Sensible sandals may be worn with socks</li> </ul>
<b>Jewellery</b>	One small stud to be worn in each ear (these should be removed for PE) No nail varnish A watch	
<b>Hair</b>	Hair that is past the shoulders should be tied up Matching, discrete accessories can be worn Hair should not be dyed or bleached No extreme hairstyles or shaved designs	
<b>PE Kit</b>	T-shirt in house colour Black shorts for indoor/Summer PE Tracksuit top and bottoms for outdoor Winter PE KS1- Plimsols/Trainers (Outdoor PE)      KS2- Trainers (Outdoor PE)	
<b>Outer Wear</b>	Children should come to school with a waterproof coat during the Autumn/Spring terms Hoodies/tracksuit tops are unacceptable as an outer garment Children may wear wellington boots or other boots and change out of these	

The burgundy polo shirts, jumpers, cardigans and burgundy/gold ties are available from the school supplier, Good-ies, via a link on our website; *only* jumpers, cardigans and polo shirts produced by this company will be acceptable in order to maintain consistency of colour and style.

### Naming of clothing

We encourage parents to name all items of clothing with sewn-in name tags or permanent pen.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS UNIFORM POLICY WILL BE THE EXPECTATION FROM SEPTEMBER; IT WILL BE CHECKED RIGOROUSLY AND MUST BE ADHERED TO AT ALL TIMES.**

**THIS INCLUDES NO NAIL VARNISH, NO TEMPORARY TATTOOS AND HAIR AS STATED ABOVE.**

**PLEASE BEAR THIS IN MIND IF YOU ARE CONSIDERING A FASHIONABLE HAIR CUT OR COLOUR FOR YOUR CHILD THAT MAY NOT HAVE GROWN OUT BY SEPTEMBER.**

## AUTUMN 2021 Return to School Information for Parents and Carers

Class Arrangements	We will be resuming school with normal class arrangements. Classes will come together during break and lunchtimes and assemblies.
Entry and Exit points and times	<p><u>Entry</u></p> <p>School start time will revert to 8.45am. All classes will line up on the top playground. A member of staff will be on the playground from 8.35am and children should not enter the school site before this time. From 8.40am teachers will be standing on the playground to welcome their classes. Children should be lined up in their classes on the top playground by 8.45am when classes will walk into school. Acorn class parents can take their children directly to the classroom gate by 8.40am where they will be met by a member of the Acorn team. <u>We will be retaining the one-way system for parents as this reduces congestion and bottle-necks.</u></p> <p>Gates will be locked promptly at 8.50am, so parents should ensure that they allow enough time, when dropping off younger children, to be able to exit the site.</p> <p>Children arriving after 8.50am should be dropped off at the school office where they will be marked as late in the register. Anyone arriving after 9am will be marked as Unauthorised late. Punctuality is essential in helping the children to feel that they have started the day in the correct way with the rest of the class.</p> <p>If you have an urgent message for your child's teacher, please contact the office or speak to the member of staff on the gate. It is important that teachers focus on their class lines to ensure that children do not wander off the playground.</p> <p><u>Exiting the School</u></p> <p>The school will operate a staggered exit procedure as normal. Parents should wait on the bottom playground. Reception children will be dismissed from the class for the first term. Once children are dismissed from the top playground, they can walk down to join parents on the bottom playground. <b>Please remember that we will not be dismissing children from Year 3 and below to parents standing outside the gate. Dogs are not permitted within the school grounds.</b></p> <p><u>Exit Times</u></p> <p>Acorn (Reception class): 3.00pm          Beech and Cedar (Years 1 and 2): 3.05pm          Elm and Hazel (Years 3 and 4): 3.10pm          Larch and Oak class (Years 5 and 6): 3.15pm</p> <p>The office staff will collect the bus and taxi children at the end of the day as usual.</p> <p><u>Year 5 and 6 children will be allowed to walk home unaccompanied during the first half of term, before the clocks go back, but will need written permission to do so- this will need to be renewed each year.</u></p> <p><b>Parents and Carers should not use the staff carpark unless a prior arrangement with the Headteacher has been made.</b></p>
Extra-Curricular Clubs and Instrumental Tuition	A timetable will be sent out at the end of September. Instrumentalists will be contacted separately with details of individual tuition. Whole-class clarinet teaching will continue for Year 5.
Information Evening	Parents will be invited into school to meet their child's new class teacher on Thursday, 9 <sup>th</sup> September. More details will follow.
Medication	Please ensure that medication is dropped off at the school office as usual with the appropriate permission forms.
Absences	Please report absence as usual. If your child or anyone within their household shows signs of Covid-19, then they <b>must not</b> attend school- please follow the current guidance for isolation.
Equipment	WATER BOTTLES ARE ESSENTIAL. In KS2, children may bring in a named pencilcase; these should not be too big. PE kits should be brought into school on the first day of term. Children can then take these home periodically to be washed. Children can bring in a school bag or book bag in which to carry their possessions to and from the site. Whatever the weather, all children need to have a named, waterproof coat in school.
Reading and Library Books	These will be sent home as normal.

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**Term Dates 2021-2022**

**AUTUMN TERM**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

**HALF TERM – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

**Christmas Break – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**SPRING TERM**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April

**HALF TERM – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**EASTER BREAK – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022**

**SUMMER TERM**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 May Day Holiday**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

**HALF TERM – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022**

**Summer Break – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

**STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS (PD DAY)**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022**



Thank you to all who completed the Survey Monkey questionnaire on Online Learning which was sent out by Mr. Davies last week. We are pleased to conclude from the survey that the overwhelming majority of parents and carers were satisfied or very satisfied with the provision laid on by the school and our communication with and support for families.



**Just a few photos of our  
our lovely Leav-  
ers.....goodbye and  
good luck, Year 6!**







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**Week 1**

**Monday**

- Southern Style Quorn Burger with Savoury Rice
- Coleslaw / peas
- Apple Flapjack & Custard

**Tuesday**

- Light Chicken Curry with Rice and Naan Bread or Gnocchi in a Creamy Tomato Sauce with Garlic Bread
- Green Beans / Sweetcorn
- Chocolate Brownie

**Wednesday**

- Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy or Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy
- Carrots / Cauliflower
- Frosted Strawberry Cupcake

**Thursday**

- Suffolk Sausages or Vegan Cumberland Sausage & Mash with Gravy
- Peas / Carrots
- Mixed Fruit Smoothie & Shortbread Biscuit

**Friday**

- Chicken Goujon & Chips or Vegan Fishless Finger Wrap & Chips
- Baked Beans / Carrot Sticks
- Iced Sponge Cake

**Week One commencing:**  
6th September, 20th September, 4th October, 18th October, 8th November, 22nd November, 6th December, 3rd January 2022, 17th January 2022, 31st January 2022, 14th February 2022, 7th March 2022, 21st March 2022, 4th April 2022.

**Available every day –**  
Homemade fresh (wholegrain) bread, a selection of at least three different kinds of fresh salad, extra fruit, cheese & biscuits, flavoured yogurt, strawberry or orange jelly. Some dishes may vary due to individual school preferences, policies and cultural consideration - a number of sites also offer additional options of a jacket potato with choice of fillings & or packed lunch - see schools website for details.  
For information on allergens & intolerances visit [www.eats-catering.co.uk](http://www.eats-catering.co.uk)



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**Week 2**

**Monday**

- Fresh Mediterranean Vegetable Ravioli with Garlic Pizza Slice or
- Sweetcorn / Peas
- Syrup Sponge & Custard

**Tuesday**

- Beef Burger in a Loaded Bun with Potato Wedges or Five Bean Chilli & Nachos
- Rainbow Coleslaw / Salad
- Chocolate Fridge Cake Slice & Juice Carton

**Wednesday**

- Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy or Vegan Cumberland Sausage with Stuffing, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy
- Carrots / Savoy Cabbage
- Fruit Crumble with Ice Cream

**Thursday**

- Margherita Tomato Pizza or Vegetable Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce with Pasta
- Medley of Crudites
- Lemon & Raspberry Muffin

**Friday**

- Fish Fillet with Chips or Vegan Nuggets with Chips
- Baked Beans / Peas
- Marble Crunch & Chocolate Sauce

**Week Two commencing:**  
13th September, 27th September, 11th October, 1st November, 15th November, 29th November, 13th December, 10th January 2022, 24th January 2022, 7th February 2022, 28th February 2022, 14th March 2022, 28th March 2022.

**Available every day –**  
Homemade fresh (wholegrain) bread, a selection of at least three different kinds of fresh salad, extra fruit, cheese & biscuits, flavoured yogurt, strawberry or orange jelly. Some dishes may vary due to individual school preferences, policies and cultural consideration - a number of sites also offer additional options of a jacket potato with choice of fillings & or packed lunch - see schools website for details.  
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## Packed Lunch Menu

**Monday** Cheese & Cucumber Roll or Ham & Lettuce Roll

Tortilla Chips & Tomato Salsa Dip

Flapjack

Strawberry Mousse

Piece of Fresh Fruit

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**Tuesday** Cheese & Tomato Pizza Whirl  
Carrot & Cucumber Batons with Mayo Dip

Chocolate Brownie

Jelly Pot

Piece of Fresh Fruit

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**Wednesday** Chicken Mayo & Lettuce Wrap or Vegetable Finger

Lettuce Wrap

Tortilla Chips & Tomato Salsa Dip

Apple Juice Cuplet

Strawberry Cupcake

Piece of Fresh Fruit

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**Thursday** Tuna & Sweetcorn (Mayo) Pasta Pot or Cheese & Tomato

Pasta Pot

Carrot, Cucumber & Pepper Batons

Shortbread Biscuit

Jelly Pot

Fresh piece of Fruit

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**Friday** B.L.T (Bacon, Lettuce & Tomato) Roll or BBQ Quorn Sausage

& Lettuce Roll

Tortilla Chips & Mayo Dip

Iced Sponge Cake

Yoghurt Pot

Fresh Piece of Fruit







Dear Parent / Guardian / Carer

As the summer holidays approach, Suffolk Constabulary would like to work with you to ensure that your child is safe and behaving appropriately at all times.

We ask that you know where your child is, what they are doing and who they are associating with. Children should be allowed the opportunity to develop, explore and play, but this must not be at the expense of theirs and others safety and quality of life. As children do not always appreciate the risks in certain situations or fully understand the consequences of their behaviour; it is the responsibility of parents, guardians and carers to keep them safe. Remember the age of criminal responsibility is 10 years of age.

Derelict buildings are not appropriate play areas. As well as potentially committing offences, they are also exposing themselves to risk of significant harm or injury.

Please ensure that when your children are playing outside they do so only in appropriate, safe areas, and that they remain under the supervision of a responsible person at all times. Please show consideration for your neighbours and community and do not allow your child to become involved in anti-social behaviour.

Suffolk Constabulary will be encouraging everyone to **“Stay Safe -Stay Aware”** this Summer and our Safer Neighbourhood Teams, Schools Liaison Officers and Community Engagement Officers will be out and about helping to keep everyone safe by patrolling hot-spots and areas where we have received reports of anti-social behaviour. If you experience anything that you believe is anti-social behaviour, please report it by calling Suffolk Police on 101, contacting us via the online reporting section on the Suffolk Police website: [www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/report-something](http://www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/report-something) or speak to an officer on patrol in your area. Always call 999 in an emergency.

We would also like to remind you how important it is to keep children safe online. Young people routinely access social media and much of their social lives may be online. All devices (including smart phones, tablets, laptops, PCs etc.) that are internet enabled can present risks including cyberbullying, online fraud, child exploitation, grooming and ‘sexting’. For more information about these issues and advice on keeping your children safe, please visit [www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org) or <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation and have a safe and happy summer break.

Ipswich Locality Inspectors  
Suffolk Constabulary