

A Great week!

Wow! Saplings - thank you for sharing your class assembly. It was so good to see how confident and courageous you were in front of the whole school and your families. Very well done!

What a relief it has been to see the sun over the past couple of days! Last week I made contact with the council to do some clearance in the pathway that runs between Claremont Road and Banner Farm Road. I share your frustrations regarding the frequently waterlogged path and a gentleman from the county's PROW team is going to come and meet with me soon. I will keep you updated. I know that a team were working there mid-week.

This Tuesday we welcomed 29 parents to our 'Supporting your Child in English and Maths' workshop! Mrs Smith, Mr Gerrard, Miss Oliver, Miss Zielinska and Miss Cruttenden shared resources and held discussions around maths, writing, spellings, colourful semantics and 'talkabout' to name a few. Our SEND/Vice Chair of Governors, Becky Barr joined us helping me on the refreshment tables and also Lucy Prior from the PTA was able to share about the PTA Chip In initiative. Thank you to everyone who attended and I hope you found it useful. As always do explore our website where you will find so much information. A massive thank you to the staff team who planned, organised and set up. It was super to see our community coming together again. Do look out for the next parent workshop - A Peaceful School-Run on Tuesday 16th April.

Year 2 had an incredible day yesterday at Eastbourne. Miss Edmonds and Mr Care shared such joy on their return. A huge shout out to the parent helpers who supported and for all the children who behaved beautifully and made everyone so proud!

I am excited to share that we have successfully recruited and would like to welcome Mrs Teresa Lai to our team. She is a teacher who will add so much value to our already brilliant TP/TSA team.

Miss Kimberley Cruttenden will be changing some of her role and will be the class TP for Maple class.

Both changes will be happening after the Easter break.





As you hopefully know, the PTA Easter Egg hunt will be held in school on Thursday 28th March. The PTA purchase all chocolate to enable us to better monitor allergy information. The chocolate treats contain milk, soya and egg. Whilst none of the chocolate specifically contain nuts, the items may contain traces of peanuts, nuts and wheat.

If your child has an allergy to any of these please can you donate specific sweets for your child in a bag CLEARLY LABELLED with the child's full name and class name. Please hand this either to the class teacher or school office **by Wednesday 27th March**. Some photos are included in our Easter Blog so you know what to aim for.

As an additional precaution, all children will be instructed not to eat the chocolate treats until after school, and only once they have parental permission.

The PTA Easter Blog can be viewed here

https://www.claremontprimarypta.com/post/2024-easter-egg-hunt-all-you-need-to-know

Many thanks from the PTA Easter Team



Milward House Visit

Last Friday, some year 6s visited Milward House (a retirement home) to chat and keep the residents company. Most of the people there have dementia, an illness that causes them to act and think differently. The residents there rarely go out so it is a real treat them but also for us! Everyone who went really enjoyed the experience and had lots of fun chatting and playing games with the people who live there. We had a great time and hope many other people can share this amazing experience with the unique and wonderful residents of Milward House. We wish them all the best and hope they are well.

Laurie & Himani (Whitebeam Class)

Visit to Tunbridge Wells Town Hall

On Monday 11th March, we went to Tunbridge Wells Town Hall to learn about the Commonwealth and meet the Mayor. He talked about how the Commonwealth is made up of 56 united countries, including the United Kingdom! We raised the flag to celebrate each country. Finally, the Mayor showed us his ceremonial chain that was kept in a special box and was very heavy! We had so much fun and really enjoyed learning something new.

Here is a picture of the Mayor and Mayoress of Tunbridge Wells and Deputy Lieutenant, Mrs Georgie Warner, standing on the steps of the Town Hall.

By Poppy and Eliza, Year 6





MATHS TREASURE HUNT – YEAR 6

Whitebeam class took Motty (the Teach Active mascot) outside for an afternoon Maths lesson on Thursday.

The teachers placed cards around the school and pupils worked in their talk partners to solve the 'follow me' questions.









Netball Tournament

Reported by Chloe and Alice – Y6 Sports Leaders



On the 11th March, the Claremont netball team went to play in a tournament at SKA. 8 schools played in the tournament. Claremont A team played their first game against St James with a 6-1 victory. It was a friendly tournament so we all had lots of fun and cannot wait to play more tournaments soon. The final was between Claremont A team and St James A team. Unfortunately, Claremont didn't win but it was very close with an amazing 2nd place. And the B team had a great time and came 8th.

Many thanks to Tora from LATSSP who runs our netball club, Miss Newby for attending the event, Natalie Jolliffe by supporting the coaching in school and the PTA for funding the new netball kits.

Parenting workshop with Una Archer GMBPsS

A Penceful School Run

that sets everyone up for a good day

Getting children to school on time can be the most stressful part of the day. This workshop can help you to:

- Support your children with managing their emotions
- Empower your children to take more responsibility for getting ready in the mornings.

The tools we will cover during the workshop can:

- Save you time and energy because you don't have to repeat the same things over and over again
- Help children develop life skills that will serve them well at school and in other areas of life

By the end of the workshop, you will have a clear list of simple steps you can take to make your school runs more peaceful.

> Where: Claremont Primary School When: Tuesday, April 16, 2-3.15 pm Sign up via our online booking system: https://claremontprim.schoolcloud.co.uk/



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