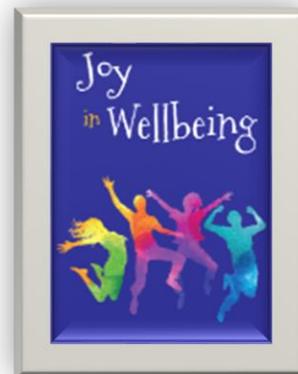




Claremont Primary School

Be confident, be curious, be creative

Newsletter 1st March 2024



Hello

What an exciting day- Today is the official launch of our new website! I know that Miss Roux shared with you the link two days ago- this is the protocol to support ironing out of glitches etc.



[Claremont Primary School - Home](#)



Some of the school's Responsiveness Reps and the School Council have been interviewing Miss Roux to find out the ins and outs of the process and decision making- see pages 3 and 4!

I would like to share a personal thank you to Miss Roux who has led this change for us; she has worked tirelessly to ensure that the impact of the new website will be helpful to you and the community. She has been patient with my vision, responding quickly to tweaks and worked well with the company. I am also grateful to the group of parents that supported her to share with us what you need. Mrs Seddon has also been part of our *Operation New Website* and it has been immense fun for the three of us to see it coming together over this year! I am finding myself distracted as I keep watching the video and seeing the joy in the children's faces in the activities they are doing. I hope you like it too. Do take time to explore it!

As with anything new there may some tweaks so please be patient. In addition, we plan to extend the way we use the gallery over the next few terms so watch this space. Within minutes we received feedback- thank you so much!

Congrats on a great new website, team. Everything is so clear and easy to find. I know a lot of work must've gone into it and often the "behind the scenes" stuff doesn't get a shout out. Thanks for making all parents' lives easier - the calendar alone is a game changer.

Looks fantastic!
Well done!

Website looks
great to me!!!

Well done all

Claremont comes across as such a happy, busy place where the children are challenged and are thriving from all the gorgeous images and videos you've included.

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Teaching Support Assistant

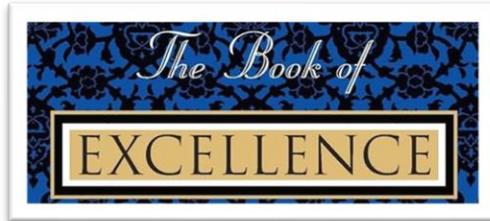
Sadly, Miss Stam will no longer be working with us; we will miss her. She was dedicated to the children and we wish her well on her travels.

Midday Meal Supervisors

We have some new team members joining us soon- Michelle Brown and Iryna Kuzmych. They will be a great fit for us.

If you would like to join us as a Teaching Partner please do use the link here to see what the role entails.

[Teaching Partner \(TA\) Teaching/Child Support at Claremont Primary School, Tunbridge Wells \(kent-teach.com\)](https://www.kent-teach.com)



Congratulations to Jack for his comic story board about speciation. Well Done!



Congratulations to Niamh for her emotive writing! Fantastic!



Have a good weekend!

Mrs Roberts and the Claremont Team



The New Claremont Website

School Council & Responsiveness Representatives Report

By Freya Butterworth, Eliza Crow, Seraphine Mathew and Poppy Sherman

In the past year, the Claremont team has been working very hard on a brand-new website. We interviewed Miss Roux about her vision for the website. Here are the questions we asked and the answers we got from Miss Roux.

Why did you change the website?

The team working on the website felt that the old one was old fashioned and dull. The old website did not represent Claremont's ethos and our children. We all feel that the new website is more exciting and information is easier to access. The new website is more enticing and represents Claremont, and its values, much better.

What changes have been made?

The new website has a new design with the school colours to make it more appealing to the eye. The other important change was to make sure that the most important information is easier to find. Following feedback from parents, the key information that parents want is now on the home page. These are all links behind the new photos and there are also 6 tabs over the new video banner. We also wanted to showcase the school and the children with a new video and new photographs. Also, an extremely useful calendar with new features has been added. We are hoping that this is the place that parents go to to find information about events and letters for trips and activities.



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HOME → HOME → CALENDAR

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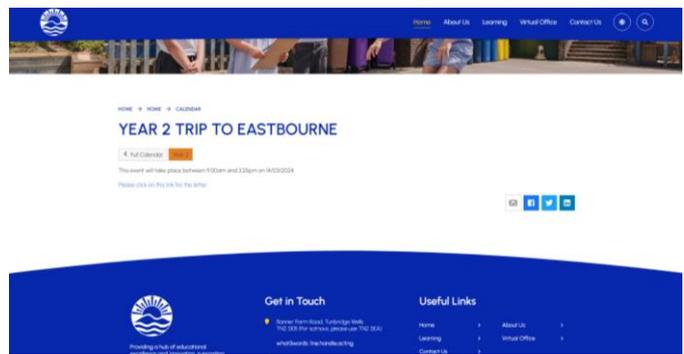
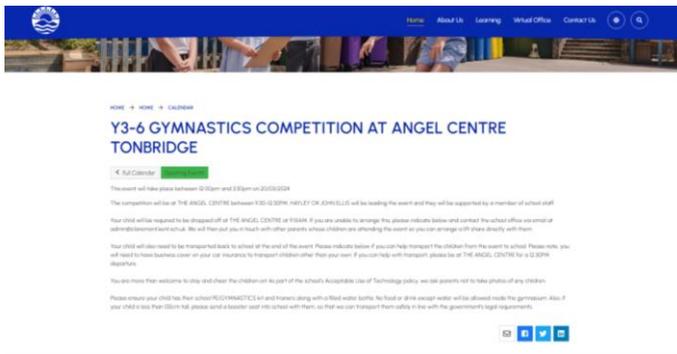
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Calendar Month Print Subscribe Categories

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				Nounish Collection Maple Class Assembly Year 4 Geography Field		
Boys' B Football team vs.			World Book Day Y5&6 Hockey tournaments	Rowan Class Assembly		
Own Clothes Day - fun... Year 5 Geography Field +2 MORE	SEND Parent Forum	Year 6 Leavers' Photos	Year 2 Trip to Eastbourne	Saplings Class Assembly Girls football match ho.		
		Year R to 5 Class Photos Y3-6 Gymnastics Comp.	Y5 and 6 Boys' fo. Ball 1	Year 5 Change 4 Life Ro.		
Rock shows to parents Go Cheer at Leigh Aca. Explore Exhibition	Rock show to parents			Easter Holidays		
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You can choose categories to look at eg Sports events or Year groups

By clicking on the event, you can find further information.



Who was the website designed for?

Miss Roux told us it was for the whole school community (which includes parents/carers, teachers, new parents and children). For the parents, it has all the information they might need, including upcoming events, and for the children, a gallery of pictures and an opportunity to explore. All school websites have to contain a long list of statutory information required by the DfE, such as admissions arrangements, school opening hours, curriculum, financial benchmarking etc. The team had to make sure that all this is included.

Did you make this all by yourself or did you have help?

The website has taken a whole year to make. Miss Roux told us that she did a lot of research into other school website before she could begin. The team also looked at different websites and the companies that make them. They eventually decided on one called Juniper Websites. Miss Roux had support from Juniper, who have helped other schools; however, she did most of the designing by herself. Miss Roux had to consult all staff before she could publish it. She told us Mrs Roberts and Mrs Seddon have helped a lot!

Hopefully you will all have time to explore the new website in the next few days!

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Diversity, Equality and Inclusion

As you may remember, we started off the year with some whole school training with Shaun Dellenty to further improve our provision around equality, diversity and inclusion. To follow on from this, we set up a working party, with members of staff from across the school, to have a look at things that we already do and things that we could do even better.



We have completed an audit, particularly in our younger classes, to ensure we have representations of all our children in the environment – in books, in toys, in pictures and in stories. We have looked at ways that our questions (for all subjects) that we ask have different representations in them, either verbally or pictorially. We are also ensuring that our assemblies and our wider curriculum provides opportunities to discuss, celebrate and accept our diverse community and wider world. Reminders have been given to staff around our use of language too – again to ensure inclusion of all our community.



If you would be interested in joining our group, either for a one-off meeting or longer term, please email the office. Alternatively, if you have any suggestions but don't have the capacity to attend meetings, please also email the office.



We look forward to hearing from you!

Mrs Seddon and the DEI working party



We will be holding a non-school uniform day on **11th March** as a fundraiser for **A Dogs Tale**. The children voted for this as the charity of their choice. It is a charity that supports animal rescue.

You are able to donate via the SchoolGateway system which is set up with a minimum donation of **£1**. Please do not send your child in with cash as we are unable to process this.

Thank you in advance for your donations.

AVENUE TO ANGELS FINAL TONBRIDGE & TUNBRIDGE WELLS YEARS 3/4



BRENCLEY & MATFIELD



CLAREMONT



HILDENBOROUGH



BIDBOROUGH



**WEDNESDAY 22nd MAY
LONGMEAD STADIUM**

Year 3 and 4 Boys' Football tournament

As you know some of our Year 3 and 4 children braved the weather last week and progressed to the final which will be held at Longmead Stadium on 22nd May.