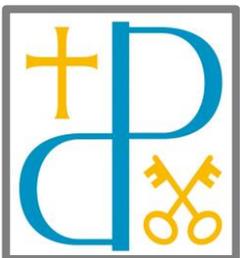




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Number 5**

2nd October 2020



W/B 05/10/20	Regular Events	New / One-off Events
Monday		Parents Consultation on line bookings available from 9am. Any donations for the Jubilee Food and Karisalpatti to be brought into school
Tuesday	KS1 Reading Volunteers in school NMPAT Music Lessons	
Wednesday	Owl & Robin Class Library session Brass and Woodwind Lessons	
Thursday		
Friday	Year 3 & Year 4 French Lessons	Individual School Photographs



The most needed items at the foodbank are: Rice pudding, tinned fruit, crackers, custard, tinned chicken, sandwich paste and spread, tinned mushrooms, jam and marmalade, toothbrushes. ✓

The foodbank does not currently need: beans, tinned tomatoes, tinned fish, soup, fizzy drinks, pasta & meatballs, pasta sauce, rice, cereal. ✗

News: This week in assembly, we have been talking about how Harvest Festival is celebrated all around the world, including in our own church in Clipston. Sadly, our service in church can't go ahead this year, but we are intending to support our usual Charities – The Jubilee Foodbank in Market Harborough and our link school in Karisalpatti, India, through Children United. Envelopes for Karisalpatti donations will be sent home over the coming days. We hope to send the decorated envelopes themselves to India and we would be very glad to receive them back in school together with a single foodbank donation (no fresh / homemade produce, please) from each child on Monday 12th October. Thank you for your support. Last year, our upper Juniors took part in the Annual Service of Dedication and Thanksgiving for Diocesan Schools at Peterborough Cathedral. This year, the service is available online at <https://youtu.be/hhssKUOjNnQ> - the uplifting organ music plays during panoramic, aerial, drone footage of the Cathedral in the opening minutes.

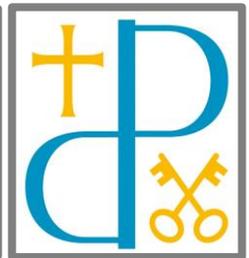
Notices and Reminders: Parent Consultations will take place by phone this term. Parents will be able to book a slot using the online booking system, from this Monday at 9am. Further details will be sent to you by email.

October	November	December
9 th Individual School Photographs 12 th Gold Awards Week 12 th Parent Consultation week 21 st & 22 nd Parent Consultation (Robin Class only) 21 st 8pm School Association AGM 23 rd Flu Vaccinations 23 rd Last Day of Term 1 31 st 5pm Deadline for Secondary School Applications	2 nd Training Day 3 rd 1 st Day of Term 2 16 th FGB Meeting	Virtual Pantomime "Robin Hood" dates to be advised. 18 th Last Day of Term 2

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News from The Board of Governors



September 2020

At the first Board of Governors meeting of the new academic year, conducted via Zoom on 28th September, Mrs Helen Bellamy led her first meeting as Chair. Governors reviewed and processed the paperwork required at the beginning of each academic year, including the Terms of Reference, Pecuniary Interest Forms and the Instrument of Government. They also approved the Governor Code of Conduct and a number of policies including Access to Information, Health & Safety and Safeguarding & Child Protection. The Head Teacher gave a verbal update focussing on the return to the full opening of the school and the Covid-19 Risk Assessment. Governors also undertook their annual Safeguarding Training and received their copies of Keeping Children Safe in Education Part 1 and Annex A. The next meeting of the Board of Governors will be on Monday 16th November. Anyone who wishes to contact a governor at any time can do so by contacting the Clerk, Mrs Helen Rhodes, via the school office.

 Mrs Helen Bellamy Co-opted Chair	 Mr Alun Davies Parent Vice Chair	 Miss Steph Glascodine Staff	 Mrs Di Harper Local Authority
The Board of Governors	 Mrs Emma Mercer Head Teacher	 Mrs Joy Price Associate Governor	 Mr David Wilford Foundation
 Mrs Chloe Wright Parent	Co-opted Vacancy	Co-opted Vacancy	Foundation Governor Vacancy

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The School Association

Welcome back!

Welcome back Clipston School families. We hope you are keeping well in what has been a strange and uncertain year. It has been lovely to see familiar faces again at the school gates and hear the laughter of the children as they settle back in to the school routine.

We particularly wanted to welcome all the new families joining the school this term. We would normally be holding our annual welcome drinks for new (and existing) parents but sadly have to postpone for now. We hope to set something up as soon as we are safely able to. We do have a Facebook page where notices and event information is shared, and you can get in touch with us there or by e-mail (details below).

When school closed to the majority of pupils in March we didn't imagine that all the usual end of summer term events and celebrations such as the Fete and end of term disco would not be taking place. Not only are these much loved by the children but also provide a significant part of our annual School Association fundraising monies.

In the months before lockdown, thanks to your support from events such as the Christmas Bazaar and after school Craft Club, and by purchasing the school calendar, we were able to fund the transport to (and the interval ice creams at!) the whole-school Christmas Pantomime trip, the class Bedtime Reading Bags, the sports teams sail flag, and the whole-school enrichment day which involved cooking and creating Clarice Cliff inspired paintings. These, along with the Life Education Bus and Year 6 Leavers' Trophies, are all enjoyable additional learning experiences and items that the children gain huge value from and without your support would not be possible.

We very much hope that we will be able re-start some of our fundraising this term and already have some ideas in mind. It may feel slightly different to what we are used to but, subject to the ongoing restrictions, we will aim to make it as fun as possible for the children and try to capture some of the excitement of the build-up to Christmas that they look forward to so much. If you have any ideas we would love to hear them!

More so now than ever we are very keen to welcome new committee members and helpers. And if you are interested in a main role we are also advertising for a new Chair. We usually have a full committee meeting once every term with various sub-committees organising specific events. It's a fun way to meet people, make new friends and feel part of the school community. Please do get in touch if you want to know more - and look out for details of our AGM which all parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Once again, welcome back. It is so good to see everyone again.

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