



**CLIPSTON
ENDOWED VC
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**Clipston Connects
Number 13**

6th December 2019



W/B 9/12/19	Regular Events	New / One-off Events
Monday	Year 2 Afterschool Tennis Club	
Tuesday	Last Music lessons with Mrs Cliffe Last KS2 Lunchtime Cross Country Club Big Bubble After School Dram Club	
Wednesday	Last Music Lessons with Mr Britcliffe	Infant Nativity- School Hall: 11am and 2pm (tickets only)
Thursday	After School French Club (Y3-Y6)	
Friday	After School French Club (Y1-Y2) Hot Shots Basketball	Whole School Flu Immunisation



News: Look! The Christmas Mice have taken up temporary residence in the Book Nook and may see Father Christmas during his visit to the School Association Bazaar. Rev. Miranda led a lovely Christingle assembly in church for Owl and Robin Classes this week. The children in Woodpecker Class have been honing their debating skills whilst discussing climate change and how the Arctic might look in 2050. Kingfisher Class has enjoyed the drama sessions this week, stimulated by their work on the Snow Dragon by Vivien French. We hope many of you will be able to visit the village Christmas Tree Festival in church over the weekend. The School's Christmas tree theme this year is "Love Came Down To Earth".

Notices and Reminders:

Please note that the closing date for admissions for Reception Year in September 2020 is 15th January at 5pm. Information can be found at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions.

We welcome Mrs Chloe Wright as the new Parent Governor, she can be contacted via the school office.

December	January	February
11 th Infant Nativity- School Hall 11am and 2pm	3 rd Training Day (school closed to pupils)	3 rd - 6 th Woodpecker Bikeability
12 th Year 5/6 Athletics Event	6 th 1 st Day of Term 3	14 th Last Day of Term 3
13 th Whole School Flu Immunisation	10 th Year 3 swimming lessons start	24 th Training Day(school closed to pupils)
17 th 6.00pm Junior Carols, All Saints Church	15 th 5pm Closing Date for application to Primary School Admissions	25 th Bags 2 School Collection
18 th Whole School visit to the Pantomime, Kettering	27 th Full Governing Meeting	
19 th Kingswood Christmas Dinner and School Disco		

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Jubilee Foodbank
Market Harborough

JUBILEE FOODBANK

From the Staff at Clipston School

We are always very humbled by and thankful for the generous gifts parents give to staff at Christmas. However, this year, if parents were considering purchasing gifts for staff this Christmas, could we request, please, that donations be made to the food bank instead?

We are aware of many families who use the Jubilee Foodbank and this idea came from one of our parents. As well as supporting a local foodbank, this initiative will also support Clipston School families who find Christmas a significant financial strain, by reducing the “expectation to buy their child’s teacher a gift”.

There will be a collection box near the office to facilitate this, and the parents are organising the collection and delivery of the items donated. Please bring in any donations by Monday, 16th December at 9.00am.

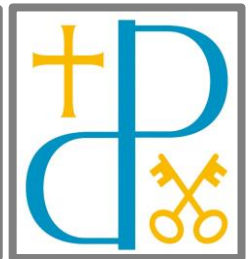
This list below shows the items requested by the foodbank this December.

Thank you for your kind generosity towards local families who will struggle this Christmas.

UHT Milk (the green one)	Small packs of biscuits
Small bags of sugar	Small pack of toilet rolls (or a single toilet roll)
Small jars of coffee	Toothpaste / toothbrush
Tea: 40 bag box	Bars of soap
Small cartons of juice	Long life custard
Corned beef	Tin openers
Powdered mashed potato	Fine point marker pen
Tinned peas / carrots / green beans / hotdogs / meatballs / chicken / steak/ mince /rice pudding / fruit / sweetcorn / spaghetti / curry / chilli / ravioli / macaroni cheese	Pot Noodles (or similar)
Fray Bentos pies	Jars of jam / marmalade / peanut butter / meat or fish paste
Savoury crackers (for cheese)	Strong “bags for life”
Pasta	Small bags of sweets for children
	Angel delight / tinned puddings



News from The Board of Governors











November 2019

At the last meeting of the Board of Governors, on Monday 25th November, governors reviewed the current and predicted student assessment data and the school's Self-Evaluation Form and Action Plan.

Training was provided for governors, by Peter French, the Deputy Diocesan Director of Education, in preparation for the next OfSTED visit. As well as answering potential OfSTED questions, governors were briefed on the new format for inspections - moving away from a focus on internal assessment data to reviewing learning progression across the whole curriculum by discussion with pupils and staff, and "Deep Dives" into specific subjects.

The updated governor Visit Schedule was agreed and governor Visit Reports received. Governors agreed several policies including Inclusion, Anti-bullying and Reading. The Parent View questionnaire outcomes were discussed, and the staff questionnaires were received, to be reviewed. Anyone who wishes to contact a governor can do so via the school office.

 Mrs Helen Bellamy Co-opted	 Miss Dewinder Birk Co-opted : Chair	 Mr Alun Davies Parent : Vice Chair	 Miss Steph Glascodine Staff
<div style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> The Board of Governors </div>	 Mrs Di Harper Local Authority	 Mrs Emma Mercer Head Teacher	 Mrs Joy Price Associate Governor
 Mr David Wilford Foundation	(Awaiting photo) Mr Andy Blake Co-opted	Foundation Governor Vacancy	Parent Governor Vacancy

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