

# Clifton All Saints Academy Newsletter

## 16/02/2024

### **'Be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love' 1** ***Corinthians 16 v 13-14***

This week has been assessment week across the school. Congratulations must go to the children in Year 6 who have completed their second mock SATs week this year. They have coped brilliantly with exam style conditions and are feeling prepared for the real tests in May. Thank you to Mrs Lines for organising the week so that it ran so smoothly and to Mrs Bassett and Mrs Cartmell for supporting the children. The results of assessments and how the children are progressing towards achieving age related expectations at the end of the year will be shared with you at our forthcoming parents evening on the 26th March.

On Thursday, we had a wonderful afternoon as the whole school joined together for Clifton's Got Talent. We were treated to an array of talents from children across the school such as comedy, magic, singing, dancing, gymnastics, flute, piano and violin. We were truly blown away by the children who performed for us. We were equally impressed by the children who auditioned to be part of the talent show. We would like to thank all of the children for making the talent show such a success. I would also like to thank all of the staff who helped with auditions, as well as Mrs Hook, Mr Coverdale, and Miss Bircumshaw for judging the talent show and Mrs Cartmell for supporting with the music.

#### **Staffing up-date:**

I am delighted to share that Mrs Laura Miller will be joining the team at Clifton All Saints after half term. Mrs Miller has over 20 years experience of working in schools as a teaching assistant and brings a huge wealth of knowledge and skills with her.

I also have some sad news to share, Mr Coverdale will be leaving us in July (on the last day of the summer term) for pastures new. I would like to thank Mr Coverdale for everything he has done for Clifton All Saints Academy during his time with us and wish him all the best for the future. Mr Coverdale will continue to teach Year 2 until the end of the summer term and will support the children with their transition into Year 3. We will be holding teacher interviews before the Easter holidays and will keep you updated on who will be joining the team as and when we have an up date.

## Diary Dates

### FEBRUARY 2024

- 19th - 23rd**    **Half Term**
- 26th**            **Children back in school**

### March 2024

- 6th            Year 3 & 4 girls football festival (10 selected pupils only)
- 7th            World Book Day
- 15th           PTA Adult only quiz night
- 22nd           KS1 Rugby Skills Festival (12 selected pupils only)
- 25th           PTA Sponsored Bunny Hop Bounce
- 26th           Parents Evening
- Whole school road safety assembly
- 27th           Juniper, Maple, Olive & Pal morning church service
- Ash, Birch & Cedar afternoon church service
- 28th**           **Last day of spring term**

### April 2024

- 1st - 15th**    **Easter Holidays**
- 15th           Training day (staff only in school)
- 16th**           **Children back in school**
- 18th           KS2 Open classrooms

### May 2024

- 7th            Year 3 faith tour



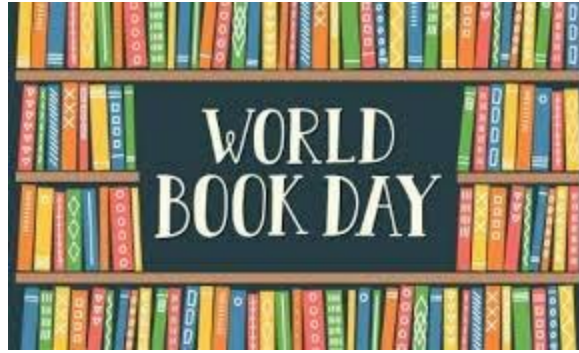
## Parents Evening Update

Parents Evening in March will now take place on Tuesday 26th March 2024 from 2pm - 8pm, this is due to a clash with church services on the original date. We are also pleased to inform that our new system will be fully operational from after half term and will be accessed via the school website.

We have had two parents trial the system and they felt it was very easy to use and gave good feedback.

On our return to school on Monday 26 February 2024, every child will come home with an envelope, enclosed in the envelope is a letter confirming how you can gain access to the parents evening booking page along with a student key. It is important that you make a note of your student key and do not lose it, this key allows you to finalise your parents evening booking. Each child has their own key and one key cannot be used for more than one child.

The key will change each September as your child moves up a year group and this will be passed to you with the student update form going forward.



Thursday 7th March 2024

This World Book Day, the theme is 'reading for pleasure' and this is an ideal that we try to instil in the children at Clifton All Saints Academy.

We are fully aware that there is a cost of living crisis at the moment so we will not be asking children to dress up. However, should your child wish to decorate a t-shirt with a book theme, they are welcome to.

In school, we will be celebrating the day by asking the children to take part in some of the following activities:-

- work with other year groups to listen to/read stories
- Take part in a book related scavenger hunt.
- Join in with a quiz appropriate to their age group
- Blind read - books will be wrapped up in brown paper with only the blurb to read. Children choose a book based purely on the blurb
- Design a book character for their own story
- Dramatise the class text
- Spend time simply looking at books with their friends.

The School Council will be running a design bookmark competition, based on their favourite book or book character. Children can work on their entries over half term and bring them in on or before World Book Day.

We always love World Book Day at Clifton All Saints Academy and can't wait for this year.

Every child should have come home with a World Book Day token on Friday 16 March 2024.



Friday 15 March is Red Nose Day and this year we would like to ask, in exchange for a £1.00 donation for the children to come to school wearing mufti with at least one item being red. All donations should be made via the link below:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=13459>

This makes sure that all monies raised go direct to Red Nose Day.

During the day the pupils will have the opportunity to take part in a Red Nose Day activity. We will keep you updated on the final amount raised.

## After School Clubs - February - March

On return to school on Monday 26 February 2024, we have the following clubs available:

### Before and After School Clubs Spring 2 Term 2024

	Drama Club (only open to those attending from January to February)	Multi Sports		Dance (continuation of the January to February club)		Football Club	
		Tuesday 27/02/24 - 26/03/24	Wednesday 28/02/24 - 27/03/24	Thursday AM	Friday PM	Thursday Year 1 - 3 29/02/24 - 28/03/24	Friday Year 3 - 6 01/03/24 - 22/03/24
Ash			✓				
Birch	✓		✓		✓	✓	
Cedar	✓		✓		✓	✓	
Juniper	✓	✓		✓		✓	
Maple	✓	✓		✓			✓
Olive	✓	✓		✓			✓
Palm	✓	✓		✓			✓

Please see the information below for booking. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

**MULTI-SPORTS**

**VENUE:** Clifton All Saints Academy

**DATES:** Tuesday 27th February - 26th March (5 sessions)

**TIMES:** 3:30pm - 4:30pm

**CLASS:** Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 ONLY

**COST:** £33.00 - for bookings after 27th February sessions will be priced at £6.50 per session

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**MULTI-SPORTS**

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**DATES:** Wednesday 28th February - 27th March (5 sessions)

**TIMES:** 3:30pm - 4:30pm

**CLASS:** RECEPTION, Year 1 & Year 2

**COST:** £27.50 - for bookings after 28th February sessions will be priced at £6.50 per session

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Football Fun Factory continue their After School Football Clubs next half term.

The clubs will start week commencing Monday 26 February 2024 and finish on week commencing Monday 25 March 2024. Football clubs available are as follows:

Year 1 -3 Football Club	Thursday	3.20pm – 4.20pm	Cost £17.50 for the half term
Year 3 - 6 Football Club	Friday	3.20pm – 4.20pm	Cost £14.00 for the half term

The clubs will be mixed boys and girls.

Cost per child: £3.50 per week

Places are limited and bookings are to be made on ParentPay

## Ivel Valley Weekly Bulletin

Please find below a link to this weeks Ivel Valley Bulletin. This contains various information which you may find useful. <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKCBCC/bulletins/38ab918>



## French Lunchtime Club



Would you like your child to learn French?

If so, you can now sign up for them to attend after February half term. Take a look at the flyer below for full details. Spaces are limited so please be quick. Existing pupils will be automatically enrolled and an invoice will be sent to secure their space.

## Drama Club

We are really pleased to inform you that Drama Club with Dini will continue in the summer term. Please see information from Dini below along with a link to her website for booking:

### Drama Club

Dini can't wait to teach you all at Clifton All Saints. Professional TV and stage actress Davina, known as Dini, has been teaching for 20 years and teaches in many theatre schools including Emil Dale in Hitchin. Dini's classes centre around the 4 C's which are Confidence, Concentration, Communication and Coordination. These core elements help children thrive both in and out of school as well as have a lot of fun! Check out my website for more info on me <https://www.dinisshowstoppers.com/>

Tuesdays 3.30 to 4.30

April 16th to July 16th £65 Year 1-6

Brand new booking system through the website!!! Be fast, only 20 places available, first come first serve! <https://www.dinisshowstoppers.com/>

## PTA News

A big huge Thankyou to everyone that has contributed to our events this week. Everyone had been super busy baking some amazing cakes and we really appreciate all the effort. You all helped to raise an amazing £304.67 which will be going directly to our library refurbishment fund.

Thankyou also for supporting the mufti 'love yourself' day, the children all looked great just as themselves and again all the donations will be going towards the library refurbishment which in turn will be benefiting all the children.

Don't forget to get your Mother's Day gift shop orders in if you would like your child to take part. The last day for placing an order will be Monday 26th February.

We also have our CASA quiz night fast approaching, so grab a team together and enjoy a night out. Our last quiz night was great fun and a huge success. Mr Coverdale will be our quiz master and we look forward to seeing who will be crowned the winners this time.

Amazing news, this #DonationDay Clifton All Saints Academy PTA has been paid £29.32! Thank you to everyone who supports us through easyfundraising - you're incredible! Want to get involved? Sign up for free and turn your online shopping at over 8,000 brands into free donations for our cause! Sign up now: [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/clifton-all-saints-academy-pta?utm\\_source=whatsapp&utm\\_medium=page-share-box&utm\\_campaign=dd-feb-24](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/clifton-all-saints-academy-pta?utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=page-share-box&utm_campaign=dd-feb-24)

We hope everyone has a wonderful half term and many thanks again for all your support.

PTA team.

## Information from External Organisations

THEOLLIEFOUNDATION.ORG

# Do you like drawing?

Want to try something new this half term?

Join us for **Zentangle** a FREE 90-minute mindful drawing session where participants can enjoy creating a unique and beautiful piece of art.

**Fri / 23 / Feb**  
**4.30pm to 6pm**

**No artistic ability needed!**

You only need a scrap of paper and pencil and can join from your phone!

**Online via Zoom FREE**

To book visit:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/818208763437?aff=oddtcreator>

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## MBF SPORTS LTD FOOTBALL CAMP

10% off until 1st February

4 Days - £90  
3 Days - £66  
2 Days - £50  
1 Day - £27.50

Discount Code:  
NHS, POLICE, FIRE, MOD, MILITARY & BLUE LIGHT CARD  
MBF102023 (10%)

SIBLING  
MBFSIBLING (15%)

3 OR MORE CHILDREN FROM SAME FAMILY  
MBFTRP (20%)

**19TH-22ND FEBRUARY**

- ✔ Skills & ball techniques
- ✔ Footwork exercises
- ✔ Strategy & teamwork exercises
- ✔ Fun games & matches

**Childcare Vouchers Accepted**

**INFORMATION**  
5-16 years old  
10AM - 3 PM

**EARLY DROP OFF AND LATE PICK UP**  
Extra £5 per day per child  
9am Drop Off - 3.30pm Pick Up

 **Evolution**  
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And Finally...



I hope half term provides you with the opportunity to spend time together with your families and have some well earned rest.

Miss Byrne