



Autumn 1 2023

We have had a very busy Autumn term 1 with lots of visits and learning already. We had our OFSTED visitors on 4th and 5th of October and the children were very keen to explain all about their work and all the activities that go on at school. Thank you for responding to the parent view forms. It takes several weeks for the final report to be published and I will send it at soon as I am able.

I am pleased to welcome our parents on to our Governing body after the election process. Mujahid Anjum and Gemal Mekki are our new parent representatives and Ahmed Oufu has had begun his second term.

I hope you have a wonderful Half term break.

Kitchen Hygiene

Every 18 months, our school kitchens are checked and rated based on their hygiene. Last week, the kitchen staff at Claremont had a visit from the Foods Standards Agency. After their visit they awarded our kitchen and the staff the highest possible rating of 5 again.



Well Done and thank you for all your hard work.

Dates for Autumn 2

30/10	School re-opens
6/11	Year 2 History Workshop
8/11 & 9/11	Year 4 Place of Worship Visit
15/11/	School photographs
22/11 & 23/11	Year 2 Place of Worship Visit
21/11 & 22/11	Parents Evening
24/11	School closed INSET
11/12 & 14/12	Year 6 Art Gallery Visit
21/12	Schools closes at 1:30pm

Our Parents/Carers Coffee morning is every Tuesday at 9am everyone is welcome.

Attendance and Punctuality

It is extremely important for your child's learning that they are in school and on time every day. Our school target for attendance is **96%**. Well done to those classes that have exceeded it this month.

Attendance for Autumn 1

Class	Nursery	Bumblebees	Butterflies	Ladybirds	1AS	1MG	1MN	2KW	2LF	2TS		
%	92%	95%	94%	93%	90%	93%	95%	97%	97%	96%		
Class	3JB	3JS	3LT	4CV	4KH	4RV	5PA	5SS	5TD	6AW	6BH	6HE
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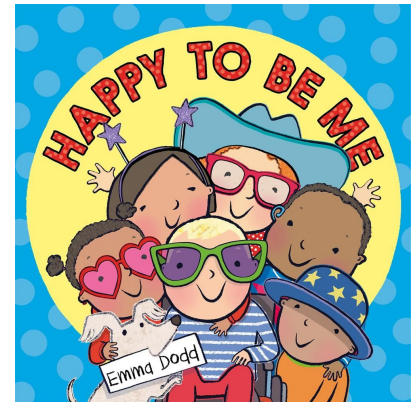




Early Years Foundation Stage

Nursery

We'd just like to say thank you to all of the parents and carers who have brought their fabulous children to our Nursery. The children are all enjoying exploring our indoor and outdoor classroom and becoming more familiar with our routines. Don't forget to log into your Tapestry account and see what we have been doing. This half term we have been learning all about me. The children have enjoyed reading many books especially our focus text 'Happy to be me'.



Reception

Reception have had a fantastic start to the school year. The children have been busy getting familiar with their classrooms and our outdoor areas. The children have been learning about the story The Friendship Bench and have been doing lots of fun activities around that. Reception went to the library and met Dr Ranj! The children did lots of fun superhero activities!





Key Stage 1

Year 1

We are all so proud of how the children have settled into Year 1. In English, we have been reading about Bumblebear. The children have orally retold the story and then written a narrative about the activities Norman did at school. As part of our DT this term we are making moving story books so we are using the ideas from Bumblebear to show the three main characters moving at school. The children have had great ideas during their design lessons.



Year 2

Year 2 have made a great start to the year. We are reading Little Red in English and have written a retell of this modern version of the traditional tale. In Science, we have conducted an investigation to find out which materials are the most absorbent. Our geography topic this half term is Our Local Area and as part of this, we are looking forward to exploring our school grounds and beyond!

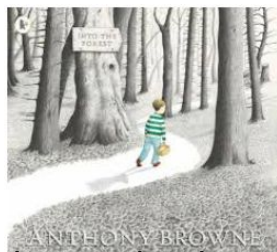
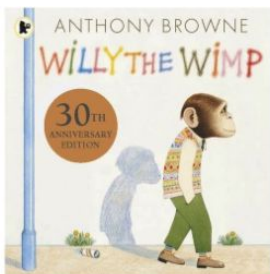
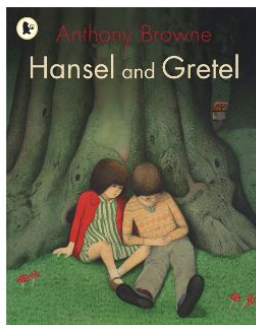
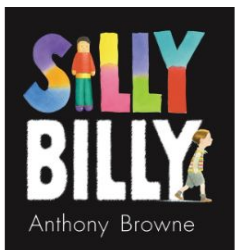
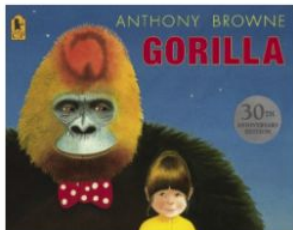
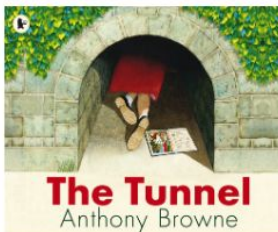
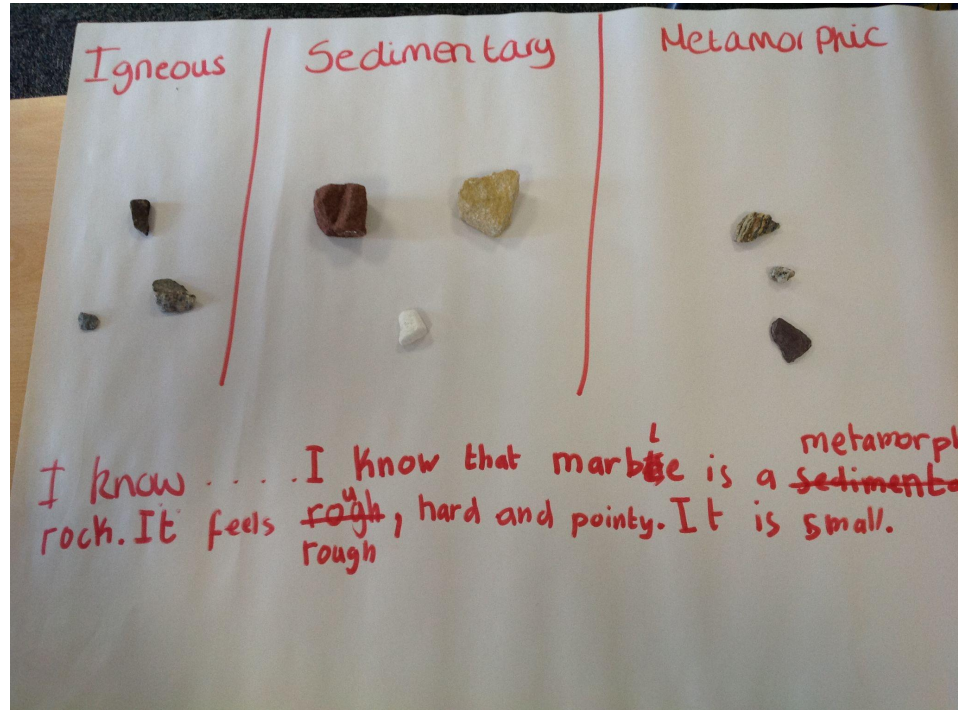




Lower Key Stage 2

Year 3

Year 3 children have settled well into their new classes. They have been doing lots of learning. The Year 3 teachers have been very impressed with the narratives the children have written which was based on our class book, "There's No Big Bad Wolf in This Story!" Their work included lots of expanded noun phrases. In geography, we have been learning about the differences between weather and climate. In science, we have been finding out how rocks and soils are made.



Year 4

Year 4 have settled well into their new classes. The children are putting 100% effort into their new learning and presentation.

In English, we have enjoyed reading Hansel and Gretel and Into the Forest by Anthony Browne. For Hansel and Gretel, the children had to choose to write a diary entry as one of the characters. They were fantastic to read! We are looking forward to reading their narrative that they write based on Into the Forest.

Why don't you go to your local library to look for any other books written by Anthony Browne? Look carefully at the illustrations as you never know what you might find!

<http://www.anthonybrownebooks.com/books>

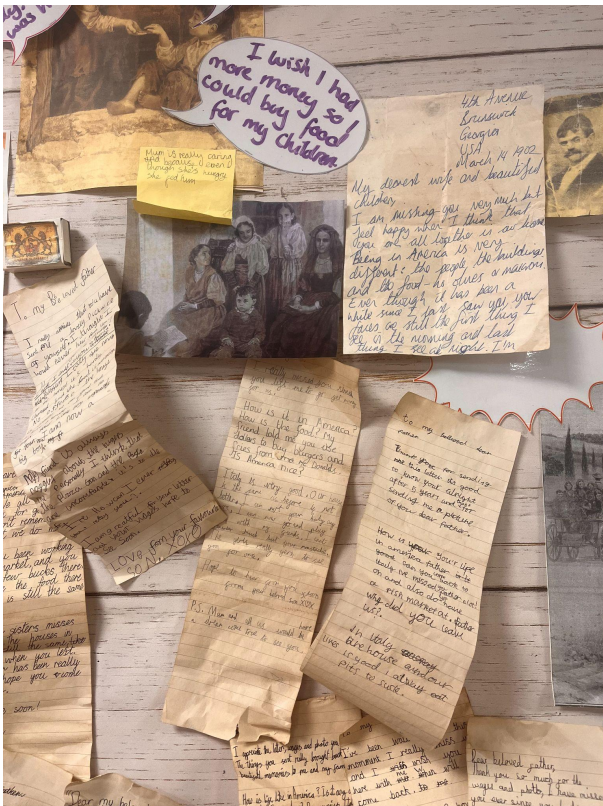




Upper Key Stage 2

Year 5

Year 5 children have made an excellent start to their new year. In English, they have been writing a narrative, based on the book, *The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr Morris Lessmore*. We have been really impressed with their use of expanded noun phrases and dialogue. In maths, children have been focusing on place value and are now beginning to develop their calculation skills. In science, they have been exploring forces and carrying out investigations into air resistance and mass. In geography, their autumn topic is tropics and hemispheres. Children have particularly enjoyed locating places of interest on the atlas.



Year 6

Year 6 have had a wonderful start to their new school year. Together we have explored our class text, *'The Matchbox diary'* and have enjoyed creating journals based on the characters experience. We have been so impressed with the children's empathy and use of emotive language .

In Geography, we have started to learn about the 'Northwest' and will be looking at Manchester more closely.

In science we have been learning about classification and have identified the characteristics of plants, animals and microorganisms.

We have also had a visit from Manchester Academy to tell us what high school is like. Remember that your child's high school application needs to be submitted by 31st October.



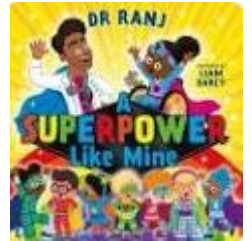


Reading

Lots of children have been to the Powerhouse library this half term to meet the librarians and to choose a book to borrow. Reception went to meet Dr Ranj and listen to him read his story "A Super Power Like Mine". There will be more visits after the October holiday for other classes.

Wednesday 1st November- 4RV and 2KW

Remember to bring your book bag to school every day.



Online Safety

At Claremont we have always taken online safety seriously. We realise that as adults it can sometimes be difficult to keep up date with some of the latest apps and games that our children might be accessing. In this newsletter we are focussing on Disney+. Disney+ is the latest big player in the TV streaming market.. It's designed to be family friendly, with content restricted to PG and 12a. It can be streamed on most devices and features a huge library of classic Disney titles. Below, we've highlighted a few tips for parents to consider, ensuring that their children get the most enjoyable experience out of the service.

- Create a strong username & password
- Monitor your child's usage. - Parental controls on Disney+ are quite limited and there are no settings to help with screen time or usage, so it can be easy for children to binge watch, particularly given the amount of content available.
- Enable 'Kid's Profile' mode
- Double check for films with 'outdated cultural depictions'
- Sit back and enjoy - Above all else, Disney+ is designed to be family friendly and there is very little, if any, adult-themed content available for children to stumble across.

Disney+





PE and Sport

Partnership with Manchester United.

We welcome Miss Patel, to the PE and school team at Claremont. This year we are working in partnership with Manchester United to further extend the opportunities we provide in PE, school Sport and Physical Activity.

As part of this partnership, one of the children at Claremont was a Mascot at Manchester United for their game against Brentford. He walked out along with the players and, as you can see in the photo, he was able to sit the Manchester United dugout.



Competitions - Cross Country

Congratulations to all those that took part - for the first time the girls have made it to the city wide final. Well Done!

School Games Platinum Award .

We had achieved the prestigious Gold Kitemark standard for contributions to PE, school Sport and physical activity consecutively for 5 years. This allowed us to apply for the highest award . - Platinum. We submitted a case study in July and have been successful.

Thank you to all the pupils for their commitment to PE and school sports and to all the staff for helping at competitions and running sports clubs at breakfast, lunchtime and afterschool clubs.





Autumn 2

Our learning in Autumn 2 will be:

EYFS

Nursery

Woodlands

Maths - Numbers up to 5

Science - plants and animals, parts of the body, push and pull

Computing - using different technology

History - Family, self and life history

Reception

Autumn and Woodland

Maths - More and less than up to 5

Science - natural world, changing seasons

Computing - using different technology

History - Images of familiar situations from the past

KS1

Year 1

English - Instructions and descriptive writing

Maths - addition and subtraction, Shape, place value.

Science - Seasonal Changes

Computing - Grouping and sorting, pictograms

History - changes to our school

Year 2

English - Story writing and a book review

Maths - Addition and subtraction, Money, multiplication and division.

Science - Living things and their habitats

Computing - Coding

History - Lives of Significant individuals

LKS2

Year 3

English - descriptive writing and persuasive letter

Maths - Addition and subtraction, multiplication and division.

Science - Rocks and Soils

Computing - Coding

History - Stone Age

Year 4

English - descriptive writing and persuasive letter

Maths - Length and Perimeter, Multiplication and division

Science - Animals - Teeth and digestion

Computing - Coding

History - Ancient Greece

UKS2

Year 5

English - biography and diary

Maths - Statistics, multiplication and division, Perimeter and area.

Science - Earth and Space

Computing - Coding

History - Anglo-Saxons and Scots

Year 6

English - Instructions and information text

Maths - Fractions, Position and direction

Science - Electricity

Computing - Coding

History - Peterloo

