

November Newsletter



The reception classes enjoyed a day with the Wild Roadshow! They were learning about some amazing animals and insects such as a giant snail, a giant millipede, a snake, a bearded dragon and a tarantula. The children held and stroked some of the animals and found out lots of information about them. The nursery will be enjoying the Wild road show next week.



Chess Tournament

Seventeen Year 5 children took part in a chess match at Cheadle Hulme Junior School on Friday 17th November. All of the children had an extremely positive experience of playing competitive chess at a high level. Out of the seventeen matches, Claremont won 4 and drew 4. Well done and thank you for representing Claremont so well.



Sports Leaders / School Games Crew 2017-2018



We received 60 applicants for Sports Leaders this year, with 10 applications from last year's sports leaders applying to be sports Ambassadors. Applications were of a

high standard and training took place in September, ready to start duties of equipment monitors, lunchtime sports sessions, Fit Fridays, to helping out at competitions.

Road Safety Awareness Week

The Police and PCSOs joined our assembly this week for children in Year 1-6 to talk about road safety. We have now invested in traffic cones which will be positioned on the double yellow lines near the gates to support our children's safety. If you do drive to school, please park carefully and safely. Parents must not use the staff car park to drop off or pick up your children.

Sports Competitions

Tennis: 2 teams entered a competition at William Hulme School, with one team winning to go through to the City Wide Finals in April. Well done!

Cross Country: 2 teams of three from Year 5 & 6 attended a competition at Chorlton Park Primary. Fantastic results with Mafusa and Aliyu gaining a place in the City Wide Finals!

Sports Award

Claremont Primary School are celebrating after coming second in the category of Contribution to Sport & Physical Activity in Education for this year's Manchester Sports Awards. The whole school approach to Physical Education, Physical Activity and Health and Well-being has had a big impact on increased fitness levels, self-esteem, participation and understanding around nutrition. PE lessons are at the core of the programmes and Mrs Richardson (SLE PE teacher) has been working with teachers, children and Sports Leaders to develop new ideas.



Cinema: Children from Year 1—6 enjoyed a visits to the cinema this week and all had a wonderful time. A huge thank you to all the parents who helped on these visits, it is greatly appreciated.

Reminder: Please can you make sure that you let the school office know if you move house or change your telephone number. This is important if we need to contact you. Thank you

Accelerated Reading Library Update: The children have had the opportunity to request books they would like to see in our accelerated reading libraries. Their suggestions have been received and we have a new book order arriving in school in the next couple of weeks. Over 500 new books will be available for the children. If your child has finished with any books from school please could they be returned so other children can enjoy them.

Year 5 and 6 Librarians: Children in Year 5 and 6 have had the opportunity to apply to be a librarian in school. We received a lot of interest and have now chosen 23 librarians to assist with the running of our libraries.



Science award: We have achieved the Silver award for the Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM). This was a year long project focusing on improving Science across the whole school. The award lasts for 3 years.

Evidence of children's work was collected from all year groups as well as photographs from school trips and workshops, which showed the love for learning within Science. We were also able to show parental involvement during National Science Week, something which we hope to continue this year as well. Children shared their ideas about Science in particular what they enjoy and how we can improve it across the school. We were able to show the great impact on Science across the whole school. Everyone has worked so hard and we hope this continues.

Year 5 have visited Manchester Academy this week, for a taster day, as part of their transition preparations for Secondary School. The days were full, and exciting, as children had the opportunity to do music, T-shirt printing, science, football and nutrition and cake decorating.



Year 5 have been working with the drama and Art specialist teachers to learn about the History of Manchester and The Peterloo Massacre this half term. Each class has used drama to experience the life of local Manchester weavers and is in the process of creating banners to represent the event.



Butterflies:

On Monday we went to the park. The children investigated the different coloured leaves, picked apples from the orchard, searched for conkers and pine cones. It was a great morning of learning and fun!



Women's Only Fitness Class

Last week saw the start of Women's Only Fitness Class which will run every Thursday between 9am and 10am in the new sports hall. Please complete a form from the office if you are interested in joining the group.



Children in Need: A huge thank you to everyone who made a donation to Children in Need. We managed to raise £474.85 and all the children and staff had a fun day dressed in pyjamas for the Teddy Bears' picnic!



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Forthcoming Events

22/12/2017 Last day before the Christmas break
28/11/2017 Parents evening
29/11/2017 Parents evening
12/12/2017 Visiting Pantomime
19/12/2017 Christmas Dinner

08/01/2018 School re-opens for Spring term

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