



CLOCKHOUSE CONNECTION



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Staff Changes

Throughout the term we have said goodbye to one member of staff and also welcomed some new members to the team. Earlier in the term we said goodbye to Miss Fletcher (Year 1); we wish her all the best for the future. This term we have welcomed Mr Davis (Reception), Miss Nickleson (Year 1) and Miss Daniel (Year 3). They have certainly settled in quickly, and it is lovely to have them as part of our family.

Attendance Matters

Attendance is creeping up very slowly following the many germs that have been going around. Well done and thank you to all those who place such high importance on coming to school every day and on time. The importance of this cannot be overstated in terms of ensuring academic progress as well as progressing socially and emotionally.

Mrs. Abeledo, Mrs. Everingham and I have been working with the Department of Education Attendance and Behaviour Hub to support our drive to improve attendance. We will be sharing more about this as the work progresses, but please do help us along the way by ensuring good attendance and punctuality.

A message from Mrs Savidge

Just like that we are half way through the year!

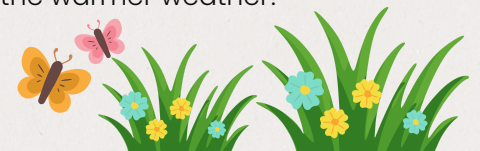
As always at this time of year, I find it hard to believe that we already find ourselves halfway through the school year, and very soon we will be in the final term of this academic year. Every year just seems to go quicker and quicker!

Considering we have three terms of the year left, I always think this time of the year is a good time to reflect on how far we have come since September, as well as thinking of all the things that are still possible for the remaining three terms of the year. I hope you see us as the forward-thinking school we try to be. This year has been no different, and we have been working really hard to further develop our teaching of phonics and reading, and the team has been so busy attending and delivering lots of training to ensure we provide the best possible education to the children. The changes to our approaches are steeped in action-based research, and I do hope you are seeing the difference in the children's progress and ability. This will continue for the remainder

of the year and lots more besides. None of what we do will be possible without the ongoing support you give us each day. So from all of us at Clockhouse, we wanted to thank you for the continued support you provide us in our strive to give your children the very best every day. We really could not do it without all of you. Thank you also for all the positive feedback and support you give us verbally, in writing, and on Class Dojo.

We hope the children are enjoying 'We are... Week' and are getting a lot out of this. It has certainly been a very busy week with lots of wonderful visitors. Thank you to those who have come in to talk to the children; they have really found this so valuable.

Finally, I hope that you all had a lovely half-term holiday and are already enjoying the busy term we have ahead. Bring on Spring and the warmer weather!



Our Clockhouse Association (OCA)

It has been a little quiet on the OCA front since my last newsletter, but rest assured this does not mean a lot of work has been going on behind the scenes where the team has been meeting to plan for the remainder of the year. I am delighted to tell you that our annual Mothers' Day sale will be back, as well as an exciting Easter competition - watch this space. Remember, on 13th June the Summer Fete will be back; get the date in your diary.

Year Group News...

A lot has happened in each year group this half term, so here is a little taster of what has been going on:

Nursery - The Nursery children have enjoyed learning about animals and loved it when the Zoo came to visit. They got to meet lots of different animals and loved getting to touch them. They were so brave and gentle.

Reception - The Reception children have also enjoyed learning about animals and appreciated the visit from the Zoo, where they enjoyed meeting the animals.

Year 1 - The Year 1 children are loving their learning about London and have had a great time reading lots of books based in London. They have worked hard to develop their geographical knowledge of significant London landmarks.

Year 2 - Year 2 spent the half-term learning all about 'Healthy Planet, Healthy Me'. They learned about the impact of Florence Nightingale during the Crimean War and enjoyed asking her lots of questions when she came to visit us.

Year 3 - 'What on Earth has been going on?' is the theme for Year 3 for the whole of this term. The children have been very busy learning all about volcanoes and even got to make their own small version and watch them erupt.

Year 4 - The Year 4 children have had an exciting half-term with their theme 'Wild Weather, Crazy Climates'. They also had a big push on learning their times tables and did a fantastic job at improving their skills—well done Year 4!

Year 5 - Year 5 spent the half-term learning about the Mayans and Space! They really enjoyed carrying out some Science experiments and had a fabulous time when the planetarium came to visit.

Year 6 - Like all the other year groups, Year 6's theme continues for the whole of the term, and the children have really been enjoying learning all about World War II. Their knowledge has developed, and they produced some very impressive writing based on the story, Rose Blanche.

Greenland - Team Greenland has had another super busy time. They have loved their learning as well as spending lots of time exploring the outdoors. While some children have worked hard to develop their writing skills, others have worked hard on their communication skills, and all have made excellent progress.

I am sure you can appreciate this is just a small taster of what has happened at Clockhouse this term; it would be truly impossible to capture it all! Thank you to all the families who came to the various Learn with My Child sessions throughout the term. It was so lovely to welcome you all.



Community Corner

Some Requests

Nail Varnish / Earrings / Jewellery / Hair

We continue to notice that a number of children are coming to school with nail varnish on, jewellery, or wearing earrings that are not small studs. Please can you ensure that both nail varnish and earrings are removed for school. This is in keeping with the School Uniform Policy and in the interests of your children's health and safety. Please also remember that long hair must be tied back.

PE Uniform

Please can I remind everyone that correct school PE uniform is as important as correct school uniform. We continue to notice non-school PE Uniform being worn by a small minority of children. Please use the link - <https://www.clockhouseprimaryschool.co.uk/uniform-information/> or use the QR Code above to access the school uniform information, which also includes a link to where you can purchase uniform online.

Teaching and Learning

The Clockhouse Curriculum

As a school, we strive to give the children the best curriculum they could possibly have and to cater to their interests and needs. If you would like to find out more about our curriculum and what the children are learning, please use this QR Code.



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February and March

Dates for the Diary

w/b 23 rd February	'We Are...' Week
24 th February	Year 1 Great Fire of London Workshop
5 th March	World Book Day
w/b 9 th March	Year 6 Mock Tests
9 th March	Year 3 to Natural History Museum
11 th March	Children's Group Photos
11 th March	Year 4 Let's Locate Workshop
12 th March	Year 3 Learn with my Child
w/b 16 th March	Neurodiversity Week
17 th March	Travelling Book Fair
19 th March	Year 4 Learn with my Child
20 th March	Red Nose Day/ Neurodiversity Day
20 th March	Greenland Learn with my Child
24 th & 26 th March	Parents Evenings
26 th March	Year 6 to St. Paul's Cathedral
26 th March	Last Day of Term

Further dates will be added as we get closer to the Easter Holiday. Dates can also be found on the School Website.



Values

Our Clockhouse Values

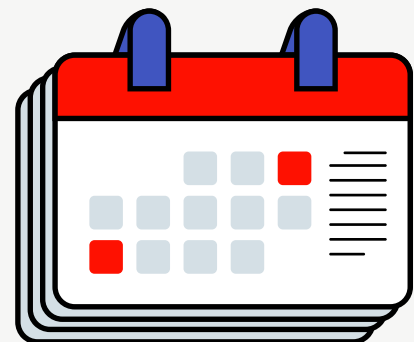
Do not forget our six Clockhouse Values and the importance of us all living up to these and modelling them all the time!



2025 - 2026

Holiday Dates

	School Closes at the end of the day on	School re-opens on
Spring Half term	Friday 13th February	Monday 23rd February
Easter	Thursday 26th March	Monday 13th April
May Day	Monday 4th May	
Summer Half term	Friday 22nd May	Monday 1st June
Summer Friday	Friday 17th July	To be confirmed
In Service Training Day	Friday 27th March Monday 20th July	



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