



# Summer Term Newsletter

Number 424 – 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023



Dear Parents/Carers

I cannot believe the year has already flown past and I am writing the last newsletter of the year. It has been a very eventful and successful year for the children. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your wonderful support and understanding through the year. I want to thank all of my amazing staff who have been extremely supportive, very flexible, patient and understanding. They have gone above and beyond to make sure your children have been well looked after whilst receiving the best possible education. I could not have done it without them. I know that many of you have offered kind words, gifts and cards for the staff and I cannot begin to express how grateful we all are for this. We are truly touched by your kindness.

Goodbye to those parents whose time with us has come to an end, to all other parents, have a lovely summer, stay safe, have a good rest and we will see you all back here again in September.

We have had many events to mark the end of the school year.

## **Year 6 Prom**

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, our Year 6 children had their end of school Prom. Everyone looked so smart in their party clothes. A great evening was had by all. The Prom didn't just happen, a lot of hard work went into organising this event. I would like to say a big thank you to Ms Liz Lewis and the Parents' Association for helping to organise everything. It was so lovely that our Year 6 children were able to mark this important milestone in their education. Thank you to Mrs Curry, Mr Pridding and Miss Nolan for helping on the night. We wish the Year 6 children all the best and we will miss them all so much. I am sure they will come back to see us again soon.

## **Jubilee Cup**

Each year, in Year 2 and Year 6 we award the Jubilee Cup for those children who have made an outstanding contribution to the school at their particular key stage. The children selected are those who go 'above and beyond' and live out our mission statement. It is not an award for academic performance but for citizenship. All adults in the school vote for this and not just the adults working in these two year groups. The winners for this year are: Year 2: Jeremiah Brantuo, Year 6- Lacey Ann Mongan. Well done and congratulations to you both! The award for the most improved student was presented to David Danylkiv in Year 6. Congratulations to David too.

## **Sports Day**

We had to postpone our Sports' Day due to the bad weather on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July but fortunately the weather improved and Sports' Day took place on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July for EYFS and KS1 and on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July for KS2. All children had a wonderful time. They participated well and enjoyed all the fun activities. Thank you to Miss Pugh for organising the different activities and thank you to all the adults who led their teams around the course. A fantastic time was had by all.

## **Summer Fair**

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July we had our Summer Fair on a very hot day! A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fair and Raffle Draw. A special mention to those families who were able to have a sponsorship board outside their homes. Together we managed to raise nearly £2500. Thank you also to the team of volunteers - parents and staff - without whom these events would not be able to take place. With the funds raised to date, we hope to be able to move forward with plans to replace the Trim Trail equipment in the playground.

## **Nursery Picnic**

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July our Nursery children enjoyed a wonderful day out to Queen's Park. Thankfully, the weather was kind and a great time was had by all. Thank you to all the parents and other family members who came along to help supervise the children.

Should you have any queries please contact us on: [admin@clitherow.brent.sch.uk](mailto:admin@clitherow.brent.sch.uk)  
[iheath@clitherow.brent.sch.uk](mailto:iheath@clitherow.brent.sch.uk) or [bnolan@clitherow.brent.sch.uk](mailto:bnolan@clitherow.brent.sch.uk)



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## **Year 6 Production**

On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 entertained the school with their wonderful assembly. Later in the evening, they presented the assembly to parents. The children acted, sang, recited a rap poem, played instruments and showed off their many talents as they reminisced about their time at St Margaret Clitherow School. There wasn't a dry eye in the room. The children were amazing and we are really proud of the wonderful children that they have become. We wish them all the best for the future and they will be sadly missed.

Thank you to Mr Pridding, Mrs Curry and Mr Harrison for preparing the children for this assembly.

## **Edenred Summer Holidays Vouchers**

The Government announced that the Household Support Fund grant has been extended until March 2024. The extended fund sets out a new requirement for Local Authorities to ring-fence a third of the funding for pensioner households, which has affected the amount the Council has available to support families with children. Brent Council will be using this funding to provide £15 supermarket vouchers per each week of the Summer holidays, for families with children eligible for free school meals. This equates to £90 for the summer holidays. The Council has made funds available through the Brent Edenred platform. This voucher should be used by families to contribute to the cost of food over the Summer holidays. Some parents will have received their vouchers yesterday, the rest will receive it via email on 20<sup>th</sup> July. The vouchers are valid for three months. If you have any issues with accessing the voucher, please contact us.

## **Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)**

Children in receipt of FSM vouchers are also eligible for a place on Brent's DfE- funded Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF.)

This means that they can access holiday activities- including a meal- for free over the Christmas, Easter, and Summer Holidays. Leaflets have been sent with your child so please check their bags.

More information can be found via the link below

[Holiday Activities and Food Programme | Brent Council](#)

## **Goodbyes**

As well as saying goodbye to our Year 6 children this week, we also said goodbye to some very valued staff members. Our cook, Miss Venis is retiring, having worked at the school since 1997, Miss Philippa is also leaving to help take care of her grandchild. Miss Philippa had previously worked with us as a school meals' supervisor until 2019 and then re-joined us in 2020. We said goodbye to them at a special assembly on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July. We thank them for all their hard work and dedication to St Margaret Clitherow School over the years. We wish them all the best for the future. They will be sorely missed and I hope they will come and visit us.

Please do ensure your child returns promptly to school on **WEDNESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER**. We will be monitoring attendance carefully and referrals will be made to EWO for any child who does not return to school on this date. I would also ask that you ensure that the children are in the correct, labelled uniform. I look forward to welcoming you all back in September and in the meantime, I wish you all a restful and enjoyable break with your families.

Wishing you all a safe and restful summer holiday and I look forward to welcoming you back in September.

Best wishes and God Bless  
Mrs Heath  
Headteacher



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Teachers for academic year  
2023/2024

N Mrs E Coombes

R Miss B Nolan

1 Mrs A Davies

2 Miss C Higgins

3 Miss C Pugh

4 Mrs K Baalla

5 Mrs S Terry/Mrs P Forde

6 Mr A Pridding

## FORTHCOMING DATES

4th & 5th Sept	Staff inset
6th Sept	Children return to school for the autumn term.
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Half Term
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	School closed-INSET DAY
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Yar 6 trip to Gordon Brown Centre
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open Evening
20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open Evening

**21<sup>st</sup> Dec** Last day of Autumn Term

**Please check out the calendar on the jotter for dates and times of events.**

## Summer Reading Challenge

Brent Libraries are once again hosting many fun events over the summer holidays. There are many exciting FREE events coming up for you and your children. See details [here](#)

This summer sees the launch of a Summer Fun Festival with a celebration of reading, for all children to join. Children will be asked to read 6 books over the summer and tell Brent Libraries about how much fun they had reading them.

## **All Saints' Trust Leavers' Prayer**

May God's blessing  
Follow you as you find new  
Journeys to travel.  
May you walk safely along the  
Pathways of your dreams.  
May his gentle hand guide the  
Decisions you will make and the  
passions that you follow.  
May your hearts and lives  
Always reflect his love  
And truth.  
And may hope be a light within  
You that you carry into each new day.

## **School Meals**

Please note that the cost of school dinners will increase slightly from September. The meals will now cost £2.41 per day. Can you please make sure you get any outstanding debts cleared before September. If you are in Year 6, please clear all your outstanding debts ASAP.



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## Children who had 100% attendance for Summer Term

Reception	Eric Alvares Isaiah Boulasi Aliyah Hresha Amelia McPherson Daria Pascaru Kira Thomas Brathwaite
Year 1	Hadassah De Four Tymon Haczykowski Bastian Nadberezny John Paulos Adrian Pogribnyak Kyi-On Wellesley
Year 2	Jeremiah Brantuo Kidus Fiseha Anna Habruka Marysia Habruka Zuzanna Szydłowska Victor Vasilev
Year 3	Nhea De Guzman Matheus De Oliveira Ephrata Fiseha Kaleb McPherson Blanca Nadberezny Isaac Oguntolu Maya Osei-Antwi Aleks Ostromecki Angelina Pogribnyak
Year 4	Acacia Ankrah Kacelyne Frimpong Alex Gryl Alex Kumar Tiana Mbucha Elizabeth Oguntolu Lindsey Welgemoed
Year 5	Daniel Harmath Zuzanna Manka Natalie Mruk Ivy Coombes
Year 6	Lesley Boakye De'Ontae Etienne-Wood Winston Osei-Antwi Ka-Re Wellesley

## Children with 100% attendance for all year

A huge well done and congratulations to the following children who had a perfect attendance for the whole year.

Amelia Mc Pherson - Reception  
Bastian Nadberezny - Year 1  
Isaac Oguntolu- Year 3  
Aleks Ostromecki – Year 3  
Blanca Nadberezny – Year 3  
Tiana Mbucha - Year 4  
Elizabeth Oguntolu – Year 4  
Zuzanna Manka – Year 5  
Winston Osei- Antwi – Year 6

