

JOHN CLIFFORD SCHOOL BULLETIN



YEAR 4 RIVER TRIP

The Year 4 children enjoyed a brilliant trip to Beeston Canal and The River Trent last week to look at the features of the river, the canal locks and think about water safety.

We looked at Owen's memorial which reminded us about the need to be cautious near water.

We were lucky enough to arrive just as a boat was coming through the locks so we saw it in action!

The children behaved beautifully, taking care of others when we were walking to and from the river and being very caring. Thank you to the parents who supported the visit.



STAFFING UPDATES

We are currently recruiting for new members of our teaching team as we will be bidding farewell to some John Clifford teachers at the end of this academic year, in July.

John Clifford has been really fortunate to have skilled and committed teachers who are always striving to provide the best education for your children and whilst change can be difficult, it also brings new opportunities, enthusiasm and interests. This is an exciting time for John Clifford and an exciting time for the members of staff who are leaving us, as they get to embark on new adventures too! A huge, huge thank you to them for shaping the school.

MRS KEELING AND MS BAMFORD

Mrs Keeling and Ms Bamford are both retiring, at the end of this academic year. Both are looking forward to more time spent with their families and time to enjoy their hobbies. Two very well loved teachers at John Clifford.



MISS GUEST AND MISS WALSH

Miss Guest has tolerated commuting daily to work, travelling a significant distance to and from John Clifford, which really shows her commitment. She is moving to a school much closer and they are very lucky to have her! Miss Walsh will be leaving the early years and teaching. She is hoping to pursue a career in childminding, it is great to know she will continue to enrich the lives of young children.



MRS JACQUES

Mrs Jacques has also secured a new role, she is moving to a secondary school near to her home, where she will lead on safeguarding. I know, the impact Mrs Jacques has had on many families has been transformational and her passion for supporting all pupils but particularly those with special educational needs has enriched the school.

Mrs Jacques will finish her time at JC at May half term.



MRS EDMOND AND FOXGLOVE CLASS

As previously shared, Mrs Edmond will finish her time at John Clifford next week on Friday. A very talented teacher and leader, I am sure she will go on to further success and I know the staff and families wish her well.



I am pleased to inform parents of pupils in Foxglove that Mr Grundy will be the class teacher for the remainder of the year. Mr Grundy is an experienced teacher, most recently spending 11 years at a school in Cotgrave. He has already been in to meet the children.

LUNCH MENU

FOOD FESTIVAL WEEK 2 Spring/Summer 2026 20/04/26, 11/05/26, 01/06/26, 22/06/26, 13/07/26, 03/08/26, 24/08/26, 14/09/26, 05/10/26		LUNCHTIME					PRIMARY HALAL TRADITIONAL
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
MAIN EVENT Circus	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges B	Bangers and Mash C	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy C	Beef Whole Grain Pasta Bolognese	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips B		
MEAT-FREE MAGIC Veggie Dish	Cheddar & Tomato Puff Pastry Tart with Wedges B	Veggie Bangers and Mash B	Tomato & Lentil Layer Bake, Skin on Roasties and Gravy B	Veggie Whole Grain Pasta Bolognese B	Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips B		
RAINBOW ALLEY Vegetables and Salads	Vegetables Sticks	Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Cabbage	Mixed Salad	Baked Beans and Peas		
BIG TOPPING Filled Jackets	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B		
DESSERT TROLLEY	Lemon Shortbread Fingers B	Orange Jelly A	Apple Sponge and Custard B	Oaty Peach Crumble Slice B	Chocolate Krispie Date Squares B		

SATs

A reminder that next week our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs tests in school. A breakfast club will run for the children from 8.30am.

It is really important the children are punctual every morning next week, as a school we have to follow strict rules when administering the papers.

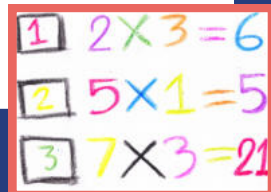
The children will be well supported to feel prepared and they have already put in all the hard work! We are very proud of the commitment they have shown to their education.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

In June, pupils in Year 4 will take part in the Multiplication Check. This is a short, on-screen check designed to assess children's recall of their multiplication tables up to 12 x 12. The children have 6 seconds to answer each question.

To support your child in feeling confident and prepared, we kindly encourage daily practice of times tables at home. 10 minutes each day can make a significant difference.. Here are some websites children can access:

- <https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>
- <https://urbrainy.com/mtc>



11th-14th May - Year 6 SATs tests
Tuesday 19th May - Y6 to visit Beaumanor Hall
Friday 22nd May - Finish for half term
Monday 1st June - Return to school

The Local Authority have launched their SEND Reform consultation surveys. These are to gather views around the experience of parents/carers in terms of provision for children with Special Educational Needs. If you feel this is applicable to you and your family you may wish to share your views through the survey, which can be accessed by clicking on this link or copying and pasting it into a browser. The survey closes on Monday 11th May.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=uzdabmGpT066rieYoiRfMApWbCiaPEJInYgNzDqr5TpURDkyMkxSS1UwSzhFVklBMkVKQIIHTzIGRC4u>