

JOHN CLIFFORD SCHOOL BULLETIN



YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL



Last week 45 Y6 children and a team of staff set off in the cold weather for three days of outdoor pursuits, independence and fun. I am proud to say that we experienced lots of new challenges and achievements were made by the bucket load.

After a morning stop off at Cromford Mill learning about the achievements of Sir Richard Arkwright who developed the use of water power to enable the mass production of cotton fibres and fabric. The children observed various parts of the mill workings that have been preserved and then built their own water wheel structures with LEGO. It was then a five-minute walk up to the family home of Sir Richard, this castle was to be our home for the next three days.

We enjoyed activities including grass sledging at speed, archery, rifle shooting, flying along on a zipwire and climbing. Lots of children managed to overcome their fear of heights and showed real bravery! Other activities includes aero ball, requiring lots of energy and produced very cold feet. It was wonderful to see children's individual talents and skills shine.

During the residential the JC spirit we have instilled in them shone through. The staff team enjoyed their stay, returning home on Friday for some much needed sleep and rest. A huge 'Thank You' to them all for their support and commitment, without the staff being willing to dedicate their time to support the pupils, both during the day and night, these visits would not be able to go ahead.

We currently offer residential visits to Hathersage in Year 4 and Willersley Castle in Y6. These are both for three days and two nights. We hope that most children will attend and get the exciting experiences these visits offer.

Mrs S Pounder - visit leader

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SITE MANAGER VACANCY

We are seeking a reliable and proactive Site Manager to join our dedicated school team.

Details of the vacancy can be located at:

<https://whptrust.org/careers/vacancies>

The White Hills Park Trust/Careers/Vacancies or by clicking the 'apply now' link.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Congratulations to
FOXGLOVES with 100%
attendance



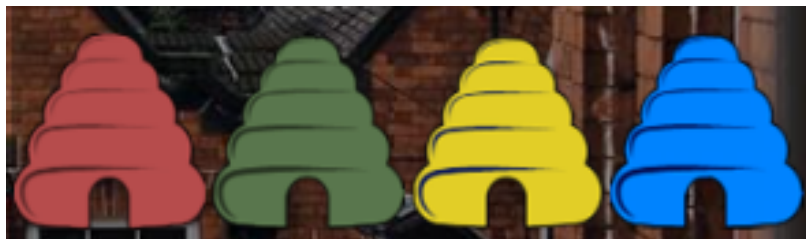
SPORTS LEADERS

On Thursday, Miss Corrall supported some Year 5 and 6 children on a Sports Superstars Leadership programme. The children completed some training to become sports leaders, which was delivered by Mr Deacon from Bramcote College. Our Sports Leaders then led some Year 3 and 4 children in various multi-skills related sports activities. We are looking forward to see what this year holds for our new and very important sports leaders!



WE LOOK FORWARD TO OFFERING MORE PUPIL LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES SOON!

HIVE POINTS THIS WEEK



567

506

425

414

NUMBER DAY - FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY - NON-UNIFORM

On Friday, 6th February 2026, we are inviting your child to 'dress up for digits' to support the work that the NSPCC does. Pupils can wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, netball shirt, stick numbers to clothing), or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or number theme.

Additionally, we would like to raise some money to support the charity and ask, if you are able, to make a voluntary donation of £1. All money raised will support the ongoing work that the charity does for children and their families across the United Kingdom. We want all pupils to enjoy the day and if they do not wish to dress up or come in their own clothes then they can come to school in their usual school uniform.

NSPCC



Number

Day 2026



BIKEABILITY

A reminder that Bikeability is running next week for Year 4 pupils

LUNCH MENU FOR NEXT WEEK

FOOD FESTIVAL WEEK 1 Autumn Winter 2025/26 01/09/25, 22/09/25, 13/10/25, 03/11/25, 24/11/25, 13/12/25, 05/01/26, 26/01/26, 16/02/26, 09/03/26, 30/03/26		LUNCHTIME					PRIMARY HALAL TRADITIONAL
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
MAIN EVENT Circus	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges B	Meatball Marinara Pasta B	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy C	Bangers, Mash and Gravy B	Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips B		
MEAT-FREE MAGIC Veggie Dish	Baked Sweetcorn Fritters with Wedges A	Pea Frittata with Pasta Salad B	Roasted Vegetable Strudel, Skin on Roasties and Gravy B	Veggie Bangers, Mash and Gravy A	Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips B		
RAINBOW ALLEY Vegetables and Salads	Vegetable Sticks	Mixed Salad	Carrots and Cabbage	Mixed Greens	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	Butterfly Pastry Biscuits B	Strawberry and Pineapple Jelly B	Banana Bread and Custard B	Apple Cinnamon Buns B	Lemon Drizzle Cake B		
AVAILABLE DAILY DAILY SALAD BOWL, FRESHLY BAKED BREAD, YOGHURTS AND CUT FRUIT						PASTA TWIRLER AVAILABLE EVERY DAY TOPPED PASTA HOT PASTA TOPPED WITH HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE & CHEESE C	

POLITE REMINDER

Please can we politely request that parents who are dropping off at breakfast club in the mornings avoid using the car park and instead park along the road outside of school. Thank you for your co-operation.