



Cloverlea Primary School



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Dear Parent/Carer

We are already half way through Spring term and what an action packed 5 weeks it has been. We really hit the ground running after Christmas and have so much to be **proud and thankful** for. We have had some terrific visitors this half term whether it be football freestyling or Bollywood dancing, the staff and children have thoroughly enjoyed the events. We have more opportunities next half term to enhance and extend our learning and we are looking forward to more special events.

Our amazing PTA

Please continue to support our PTA in any way you can. They are dedicated and determined to provide as many wonderful opportunities for our children as possible through securing additional funding. The events they have successfully organised have raised vital money and are **gratefully received** and appreciated. Our new climbing frame is a fantastic addition to our KS2 play area and has been made possible by the determination of PTA members. This half term we have also had a cake sale which was well attended and enjoyed. Please can I encourage you to consider attending our School ball on 11th May which really promises to be a spectacular event.

Inclusion Workshop

Thank you to all who attended our inclusion workshops this term. It enabled us to share the important changes we have made and to explain some of the **research based practice** that we've implemented and embedded in our day to day teaching. We also shared how we **support all pupils** including pupils who have SEND and detail what **Waves of Intervention** mean. A key component of the training and one which we at Cloverlea certainly subscribe to and endorse came from the following quote:

*"An inclusive school **removes barriers** to learning and participation, provides an education that is **appropriate to pupils' needs**, and promotes **high standards and the fulfilment of potential** for all pupils."*

It was really encouraging to see you there at both events – thank you so much for attending.

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We have continued to conduct our curriculum audits, learning walks and conversations in every subject area and then consolidated this approach by letting the audit feedback feed into the necessary training for all practitioners. This process is then reviewed to monitor **progress**. It has been really **encouraging and hugely satisfying** to witness all the **hard work** that is going on around the school and being part of a **rigorous and continuous improvement cycle**.

Subject leaders are enjoying meeting with different groups of children from all classes every week to gain an invaluable catch of pupil voice within their subject area. We ask about what they have **remembered**, what they **know more** about, what they have **enjoyed** and what knowledge they have **built upon** recently. These regular and structured conversations have provided us with wonderful nuggets of information that have **enabled further enhancements** to our vibrant curriculum. I would like to invite you all to a **curriculum workshop** on **Wednesday 28th February 6pm-7pm** in the school. This is an opportunity for you to have a snapshot of our curriculum offer and informally speak to the subject leaders about their curriculum subject and developments.

Zones of Regulation

Our work on Zones of Regulation has been really well received and we have increased enthusiasm around this initiative as we go into the next half term. Following further staff training and assemblies for the children we will be looking at not only **identifying our emotions** but also having **strategies to regulate them**. This is a key function of emotional intelligence in how to **apply what we know** about ourselves and others and how **we can adapt to situations**. This is an exciting project that will play a huge part in our **school culture and values**.

Finally, thanks again for the support you continue to show for our school. I hope you all have a wonderful break and manage to enjoy some valuable family time.

Take care and see you all on **Monday 19th February**.

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Headteacher

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