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THE CHRONICLE

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Dear Parents

Politicians and other influential people talk a lot about globalisation and I have certainly noticed over the course of my life that the world is getting smaller with more movement of people between nations. The current election is to a large degree linked with the benefits, or not, of migration. I want to focus on how we can give our pupils an understanding of the world, especially given that Cognita is a global organisation. I have recently come across the United World Schools (UWS) Project which aims to help isolated communities across the world to build schools. In the autumn, Clifton Lodge and its pupils will be supporting this very worthy project. The school is already committed to making a donation to this and there will be opportunities for pupils to become closely involved with supporting this international work, whilst developing their global awareness. I just wanted to raise your awareness so that as families we can support this wonderful cause together. Below is a Youtube link that gives a brief introduction to the project we are helping to fund. I hope you see how this helps to broaden our pupils' horizons.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P2uTnYHQJ4g
Kind regards
Dr Tony Thamia

Amazing videos for you to watch …….

Congratulations to Yaseen (Year 5) who showed his classmates his skill at solving the Rubik's Cube in 42 seconds!
Also, Ethan (Y4) and Aiden (Y2) learnt all 270 tube stations off by heart and performed the 'Underground Song' in the playground this week - If you haven't watched the videos yet, you can find them on the Clifton Lodge School Facebook page – they are amazing!

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Forthcoming Calendar Dates

Friday 9th June – U11 Cricket Match (A) v St Benedict's – 2.30pm start - Perivale Sports Ground

Friday 9th June – Year 7 Social Rounders Match @ St Augustine's Priory – 2pm start

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Monday 12th June – AM - Class Photography

W/C Monday 12th June - (NO CLUBS ALL WEEK EXCEPT CHESS/LAMDA/ SHORT TENNIS)

Monday 12th June - Lower School Parents' Evening
Nursery/Reception/Year 1 – 4pm-6pm
Year 2 & Year 3 – 4.30pm-6pm

Tuesday 13th June - Lower School Parents' Evening
Nursery/Reception/Year 1 – 4pm-6pm
Year 2 & Year 3 – 4.30pm-6pm

Wednesday 14th June – 5pm-8pm
Year 4 & Year 7 Parents' Evening

Thursday 15th June – PTA bags for school – by 9am

Thursday 15th June – 5pm-8pm
Year 5, Year 6 & Year 8 Parents' Evening

Saturday 17th/Sunday 18th June - Lamda Exams

W/C Monday 19th June – Tech Free Week

Tuesday 20th June – Y2/Y3 School Trip - The Wetlands Centre

Tuesday 20th June – Reception/Y1 trip – Legoland

Wednesday 21st June – Art Exhibition
4.15pm-5pm – Year 2 to Year 8 parents welcome to visit classrooms with their children

Sports Day – Thursday 22nd June 2017
Thursday 6th July 2017 (alternative day)

Monday 26th June - Uniform4Kids – from 3.45pm

Monday 26th June – U11 ISA Cricket Tournament TBC
Ibstock Place

Wednesday 28th June – 6.30pm-7.45pm - Lamda Showcase

Thursday 29th June – Cricket Match (H) v St Philip's U13

Friday 30th June – 2pm-4.30pm - Summer Fayre & Raffle

Tuesday 4th July - American Independence Day Lunch

Tuesday 4th July – Year 8 Trip TBC

Thursday 6th July – LAST DAY OF CLUBS

Monday 10th July – School Drama Production – 6.30pm-7.45pm - Ealing Town Hall – Liz Cantell Room

Wednesday 12th July – Speech Day
No children in school, parents accompany pupils to the Town Hall, Ealing at 2.15pm for a 2.30pm start

PTA – Summer Term Events

Summer Fayre - Friday 30th June – 2pm-4.30pm - SAVE THE DATE and Join us for our Tropical Paradise Summer Fayre .
Held during the school day so that every child can attend, with the hopes that parents can also join in the fun.
In addition to coming along, parents can support the event by volunteering for 1 hour on the day (or even 30 mins); by sending in prizes for the Tombolas (Prize Pots and information on both Tombolas will be sent home with your child closer to the date); by bringing in food for the International food stalls or something for the bake sale (no Nuts please); and by buying Raffle tickets - which will be sent home with a list of spectacular prizes later next week.
For more information, or to volunteer on the day (we desperately need many more helping hands), please contact us at ptacliftonlodge@yahoo.co.uk.

Bag2School
Thursday 15th June – by 9am
The PTA have organised a Bags2School collection on the 15th June. All pupils will be given a bag to take home in May (please fill with your clean unwanted clothing etc) and bring into school first thing in the morning of 15th June. Thank you for your support, this raises funds for the PTA as well as recycling unwanted items.

Science Trip

Just before half-term, Year 5 visited the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park to see the ‘Shell, Make the Future Live’ exhibition. There were lots of activities based around renewable energy sources for the pupils to get involved in.

The first activity they took part in was building a platform for solar panels from lolly sticks, a balloon, cardboard, pipe cleaners and sellotape. They had just five minutes and Lily was able to make a platform that floated on the water and could hold lots of solar panels . The children also built cars powered by salt water. Each car had a fuel cell that had a metal plate. When the salt water came into contact with the metal, electricity was generated which powered the car. After the cars were built, the children raced them. In addition, there was a Science show on fire. It was a wonderful day out, with a strong focus on Science.

Battersea Park Children's Zoo – Nursery Trip

On Wednesday, our Nursery class went to Battersea Zoo to learn about some of the animals kept there. Pupils enjoyed seeing the wallabies, meerkats, ferrets, snakes, monkeys, ponies and donkeys. As we went round we talked about the different animals and what they all ate. Afterwards we were able to use the wonderful playgound where there was a real fire engine which the children thoroughly enjoyed. A wonderful day out for all the Nursery children.

Police Crime Scene Investigation

On Friday, 26th May Zakon Training visited to give our Year 6 and 7 classes a day session on Police Crime Scene Investigation. Here is Ajay's (Year 7) report on what they did on the day:

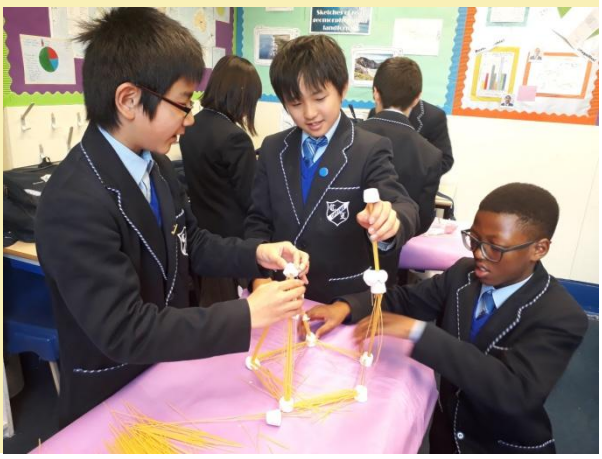
Recently, we in Years 7, 6 and 8 attended a school trip but it was actually in school! The school trip focused on Crime Scene Investigation (CSI) work. We had
a professional Crime Scene Investigator come and talk to us about what it is like to be an Investigator and the crimes that he had dealt with. We did activities such as finger prints. This included taking and searching for prints. We also had a look at a crime scene and how to investigate it.
We took our finger prints by putting our fingers into ink and then placing our fingers on a paper that was given to us. Our detective told us that there were sweets on the partners we chose and if we found them we would get to eat them. The people who were being searched had to hide them. When we also had a look at the crime scene, we had come to the conclusion that we could not know what the crime was as there was no evidence. Overall it was a very informative, fun trip and we all enjoyed it a lot.
Ajay – Year 7

Geography Update

At the end of last term, Year 4 had been learning about volcanoes and earthquakes. We discovered that Clifton Lodge had been magically transported to sitting on top of a plate boundary. Year 8 rushed in and informed us that there was an earthquake, so we had to grab our earthquake safety bag (that we had previously packed) and follow our earthquake drill guidelines which led us out into the playground. There we discovered a volcano on the brink of eruption! We watched it erupt, and saw the lava flow down the sides. We could change the colour and composition of the lava to make it more or less viscous so it ran more or less quickly down the lava channels. Thankfully no Year 4s were harmed in the making of this very dramatic lesson!

Year 7 also turned themselves into human seismographs to demonstrate how we measure and record earth tremors around tectonic sites. When we notice any changes in tectonic activity this might indicate an imminent earthquake or volcano (depending on the type of plate boundary!). We recorded some pretty major earthquakes at Clifton Lodge that day!

Finally, Year 7 constructed earthquake proof buildings from spaghetti and marshmallows with a jelly base. We tested each group for stability in an earthquake, aesthetics, and height. Bradley's group won the height challenge, Tomoki's group won the aesthetics, and Noah's group won the wobble test.



Language Perfect – Final Results

Language Perfect - Final Results
It's all over for another year and what an amazing 10 days of competition it has been. Even with our internet down for several days, the Clifton Lodge pupils soldiered on learning their languages and making us proud.

Your amazing children answered a whopping 219,061 questions and spent 348 hours learning languages – that's just over two weeks of solid language learning! A few general stats before anything else, Clifton Lodge came:

241st out of 1302 schools worldwide
13th in our category of 51-100 pupils out of 188 schools
8th in England out of 44 schools
8th for French in England
1st for Latin in our category in England
2nd for French in our category in England

Now onto the part everyone is waiting for – The pupils obtained a fantastic 60 certificates in the competition including 29 credit, 15 Bronze, 7 Silver, 8 Gold and an extraordinary Elite for Taichi in Year 4. This makes Taichi our youngest ever pupil to obtain the highest certificate in this competition. Well done Taichi!

First for French in the school was Naledi (Y8) and for Latin was Cagri (Y6) – they will receive a special prize soon as will Taichi for the amazing work he put in.

Finally, thank you parents for your patience during the last 10 days, you can now get your laptops/PCs/tablets back!

Well done to all the pupils – We are so proud of you all.

Tech-Free Week – W/C 19th June

Following on from the success of last year, we are taking part in Tech-Free Week again and expanding it to involve curriculum collapse in the afternoons. This will include problem solving, wide games, team building and art (which will be followed by an art exhibition That parents are invited to attend).
Keep an eye on your email in-boxes for more information to come. We really appreciate your support in encouraging your children to fully embrace this week.

Wednesday 21st June – Art Exhibition
4.15pm-5pm – Year 2 to Year 8 parents welcome to visit classrooms with their children

Learning about Health & Hospitals - Nursery

Just before half-term, the Nursery class dressed up as Doctors and Nurses and learnt about the different job roles within a hospital. With the assistance of some older pupils as patients, together with Mrs Keating, Mrs Deer and Ms Cheekolu, the Nursery children practiced their bandaging skills etc. They all did very well but we don't think they are quite ready to be let loose in the NHS yet!

High Fliers Summer Holiday Club

Monday 17th – Friday 28th July
Tuesday 29th August – Friday 1st September 2017
Summer – 3 weeks of FUN WEEK
For children aged 3-12 years

A COMBINATION OF EXCURSIONS AND WORKSHOPS INCLUDING:

Circus Skills Workshop
Cinema
Drama Workshop
Bowling
Tennis & Hockey Camp
Cookery
Mini Golf
Pottery Workshop
Soft Play
Dance Workshop

For more information please visit www.high-fliers.org.uk
Email high-fliers@hotmail.co.uk or call the team on
07534 020868 or 07886 805306

Past Pupil Trip to Malawi - reminder

Tom Hare, who used to attend Clifton Lodge and is now at Hampton School has contacted us regarding a charity trip he and some of his fellow pupils are taking part in over the summer holidays.
Tom Hare and 22 other boys from his school are off to Malawi this summer to work at the Safe Haven helping with the children in the schools, painting and helping building some additional classrooms. While there they will be playing football matches against several of the teams that his school helps support.
The schools in Senga Bay are currently looking for donations and have asked if the boys could bring out as many pairs of unwanted (clean) football boots as possible – ideally UK sizes 6-11 and any spare football kit. They would also like them to bring paint brushes and rollers plus reading books for the Primary school library – but not books with reference to wizards and witches, please!
If you have any donations that you would be willing to give, please bring them into school during term-time.

Sport

18th May - Cricket v St Benedict's - U12 (Home)
It was a close match, with Clifton Lodge losing by only 19 runs. Some definite improvements on our previous game against St Philips. The team were bowling better and showed more connected fielding.

Cricket and Rounders Success Yesterday – Thursday 8th June

Cricket v St Philip's – U11 (Home)
Well done to the Clifton Lodge team who won against St Philip's yesterday scoring 78 runs. Noah took 3 wickets and Jason was the top run scorer. There was excellent fielding from Clifton Lodge and they gelled together well as a team.

Girls' Rounders v Ashton House – U11 (Home)
Another win today for Clifton Lodge against Ashton House. The score was 13-11. Everyone in the Clifton Lodge team played really well – well done girls.

House Points

Overall House Points to date:

Cass	1256
Mayet	1020
Northover	1180
Ward	1087

Congratulations to all the pupils who received House Point Certificates today. A special mention for Matthew (Y7) and Koudai (Y4) who reached 100 House Points.

Pupil Achievements

Cricket and Rounders Success
Thursday 8th June
Ella – player of the match (Rounders)
Noah – man of the match (Cricket)

Congratulations to Umar (Y5)
Who was awarded Player of the Year &
Most Committed Player from Harrow Hockey Club

Well done Leon (Y1) for achieving a Silver Certificate for Mathletics

Term Dates

DATES 2016 – 2017

SUMMER TERM 2017

First day	**Tuesday 25 April**
Half-term	Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June
Last day of term	**Wednesday 12 July**

DATES 2017 - 2018

AUTUMN TERM 2017

First day	**Wednesday 6 September**
Half-term	Monday 23 October – Friday 3 November
Last day of term	**Friday 15 December**

SPRING TERM 2018

First day	**Thursday 4th January**
Half-term	Monday 12th – Friday 16th February
Last day of term	**Wednesday 28th March**

SUMMER TERM 2018

First day	**Tuesday 17th April**
Half-term	Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June
Last day of term	**Thursday 12th July**