

Glenhurst Drive, Whickham, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE16 5SJ



Headteacher: Mrs Ailsa Holden

#### Hello everyone - Happy October!

That's our first month over with and the children (and staff) still have smiles on their faces!! Phew! Our after-school clubs have proven to be really popular especially Gymnastics with Grassroots and board games with Mrs Tote. If you have any suggestions as to which clubs you would like to see at Clover Hill next term, please drop us an email. We are always open to new ideas.

A huge thank you must go to our Year 6 buddies who have played an instrumental part in how well Reception children have settled into Clover Hill school life. They really are shining ambassadors for our school rules - be ready, be respectful, be responsible and be resilient. Well done Year 6! Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Holden

# NSPCC Assemblies and Workshops

Our children have all taken part in the NSPCC 'Speak out, Stay safe' safeguarding programme which helps children understand (in an age-appropriate way):

- abuse in all its forms and how to recognise the signs of abuse
- that abuse is never a child's fault and they have the right to be safe
- where to get help and the sources of help available to them, including <u>Childline service</u>



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The assemblies will be followed up by workshops in Years 2, 5 & 6 on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

#### Clover Hill PTA

Thank you to everyone who attended our School Association coffee morning on Friday – it was lovely to see new faces and hear fresh fundraising ideas.

The new email address for the School Association is:

schoolassociation@cloverhill.school

Please drop us an email if you or family members would like to become involved – in whatever capacity you are able to.

There is a planning meeting at The Fellsider on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm if you would like to pop along and share ideas and be part of the team. You'd be very welcome.

#### Matched funding

Please check with your employer – some companies/businesses offer matched funding where they will 'match' whatever funds we raise which doubles the amount of 'extras' we can then give to our children.

# Harvest Festival

Our school Harvest Festival will take place on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

This year, once again, we are asking for donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries to support Gateshead Foodbank.

We don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. Gateshead Foodbank provide seven days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to them. They are part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by Trussell, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.

If you are able to, we would really appreciate it if you could support this worthwhile charity. Donations can be sent into school anytime from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you

### Sporting Superstars

It's been a busy half term for sporting tournaments... so far we have attended:



Blaydon and District Football 7- a-side league tournament

Girls Football Tournament (Years 4/5) at Swalwell Football Club – we brought a bronze medal back to school!!



Tag Rugby at Gateshead Rugby Club



Gateshead Schools Cross Country at Watergate Country Park



Girls Football Tournament at Gateshead Power league

As always, there are a range of sporting activities organised on the playground every lunchtime by our amazing Sports Crew alongside Miss Sinclair's intra-school tournaments on our school field.

Congratulations to Alexander in Year 5 who has become our Sports Journalist for the school newspaper – The Clover Hill Courier. Stay tuned for post-match updates in the first edition of the Courier.

# Class Dojo for Years 2-6

We have replaced Marvellous Me with Class Dojo. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are having any issues with joining your child's class. This will be used in the same way as Marvellous Me – to log positive points (which can be traded in for treats at the end of every half term in the Dojo shop), send messages from class teachers and share examples of work that your child is proud of. **Please do not message your child's teacher as they do not have this facility enabled** – contact the school office or send an email via the class email address. Reception and Year 1 continue to use the SeeSaw app for home/school correspondence.

## <u>Diary Dates</u>

6/10/25 - Harvest donations can be sent in to school until 16/10/25. Information to follow

7/10/25 – Year 5 Visit to STEMFEST

#### 8/10/25

- Year 6 at Whickham School for a multi-sports cluster event
- School Association meeting at The Fellsider. 7pm all welcome

10/10/25 – Hello Yellow – World Mental Health Day – wear yellow to school

16/10/25 – Harvest festival (children only)

22/10/25 – Halloween disco. KS1: 3.30-4.30 KS2 4.45-5.45 Information to follow

24/10/25 – School closed to pupils – Staff INSET Day

Pupil Responsibilities

**News Team** 





**School Councillors** 



**Sports Crew** 



Librarians

