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**CLOVER HILL  
PRIMARY  
SCHOOL**






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Friday 10th July 2026



### Class Dojo Superstars

#### Pupils

1	 Ruby Garry Year 4	12
2	 Olivia White Year 4	11
3	 Zara Williams Year 5	10
4	 Zoey Foster Year 4	10
5	 April Horne Year 5	10



Well done to Year 3 –  
Summer Term TTRS  
winners!

### Sporting Success

Good luck to our Athletics Team who are attending the rearranged Gateshead Schools Athletics Festival at Gateshead Stadium next Thursday.

### Reception Sports Morning

A huge well done to our Year 6 children, who planned, organised and led a fantastic sports morning for their Reception buddies. Families were invited to join us and cheer the children on in the sunshine, creating a wonderful atmosphere that everyone enjoyed. After all the excitement, the children returned to school to cool down with delicious ice pops and biscuits kindly prepared by Mrs Scott, our School Catering Manager. Congratulations to Alwick House (red team), who were crowned this year's champions and proudly took home the trophy. Well done to everyone who took part for showing such teamwork, enthusiasm and sportsmanship! Special mention to Christopher B whose positive attitude and caring nature shone through so much that one of our Reception parents emailed school to say thank you to him and commend him. What a shining star you are Christophe!!

### Clover Hill Superstars

A huge well done to our Shining Stars this week, who were recognised with a special mention from their teachers during our Friday Celebration Assembly. We also enjoyed celebrating the many sporting achievements shared by pupils from across the school. We are incredibly proud of all of their hard work, dedication and success both in and out of school.



### Considerate Parking

Can I ask that families park considerately around school please? A resident's driveway was completely blocked this morning by someone attending Reception Sports morning.

### Autumn Term Fun Clubs

Fun Clubs will start from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September and will run for 9 weeks. They will go live to book on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Below is an overview of what is on offer.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Dance-nastics</b>	<b>Arty-Crafters</b>	<b>Sport Mania</b>	<b>Reading Bugs</b>	<b>Old-Skool Games</b>
Reception – Year 6 30 spaces	Reception – Year 6 30 spaces	Year 3-Year 6 30 spaces	Reception-Year 3 30 spaces	Reception-Year 6 30 spaces
<b>Mrs Tote</b> <b>£45.00 (9 weeks)</b>	<b>Mrs Johnson</b> <b>£45.00 (9 weeks)</b>	<b>Miss Sinclair</b> <b>£45.00 (9 weeks)</b>	<b>Mrs Tote</b> <b>£45.00 (9 weeks)</b>	<b>Mrs Tote</b> <b>£45.00 (9 weeks)</b>

Club	Description
<b>Dance-nastics</b>	Love music, movement and creativity? Join our exciting <b>Dance-nastics Club</b> , where children will develop their gymnastics skills through dance and movement to music using a range of gymnastics equipment. Pupils will explore balancing, symmetry, and travelling in a variety of ways while building strength, coordination and confidence. They will work together to create and practise their own sequences of movement, combining gymnastics and dance to tell a story through performance. The club will culminate in children showcasing their routines to an audience, celebrating their creativity, teamwork and performance skills. Come along and discover the joy of moving to music! 🎵 🩰 ✨
<b>Arty-Crafters</b>	Unleash your imagination and get creative at our <b>Arty Crafters Club</b> ! Children will have the opportunity to explore a wide range of art and craft activities, experimenting with different materials, techniques and styles. From painting and drawing to model making, collage and seasonal crafts, pupils will develop their artistic skills while expressing their own ideas and creativity. The club provides a fun and relaxed environment where children can create unique masterpieces, build confidence and take pride in their work. Join us for an exciting journey of colour, creativity and crafting fun! 🎨 ✂️ 🌟
<b>Sportmania</b>	Get active, have fun and challenge yourself at <b>Sportmania Club</b> ! This energetic club offers children to chance to try a wide range of team sports and games outdoors, helping them develop teamwork, communication and sportsmanship. Pupils will also take part in circuit training activities to build fitness, improve stamina and increase overall performance. Indoor sessions will focus on developing ball skills, coordination and agility through a variety of engaging activities and challenges. Whether you love sport or simply enjoy keeping active, Sportmania is a fantastic way to boost confidence, improve fitness and have fun with friends! 🏆 🏃 🎯 🌟

<b>Reading Bugs</b>	Develop a love of books and become a confident reader at <b>Reading Bugs Club!</b> This fun and engaging club is perfect for children who enjoy stories and want to explore the wonderful world of reading. Pupils will share books, take part in exciting reading activities, discuss their favourite characters and stories, and discover new authors. Through games, challenges and creative tasks linked to books, children will build their reading skills, confidence and understanding while developing a lifelong enjoyment of reading. Join us and catch the reading bug! 📖🐛🌟
<b>Old-Skool Games</b>	Step away from the screens and discover the fun of traditional games at our <b>Old Skool Games Club!</b> The first part of each session will be spent outdoors enjoying classic playground favourites such as hopscotch, two-balls, juggling, hide and seek, and stuck in the mud. We'll then head indoors for a range of timeless board and party games, including Snakes and Ladders, Noughts and Crosses, Snap and Charades. These much-loved games may have been replaced by technology for many children, but they are still great fun and provide wonderful opportunities to develop communication, teamwork and social skills. Come along, make new friends and enjoy the simple pleasures of classic childhood games! 🎲🏃🎭🌟
<b>Lingotots Spanish</b>	<b>Lingotots Spanish Club</b> for Year 1 – Year 6 where children are introduced to the Spanish language through songs, stories, games and engaging activities. Each session is lively, hands-on and designed to build confidence as children explore new vocabulary and simple phrases in a playful, immersive way. The focus is on enjoyment and natural language learning—no prior experience needed! Lingotots Spanish Club is a wonderful opportunity for children to develop early language skills, discover Spanish culture and enjoy learning in a warm, encouraging environment.
<b>Kensho Karate</b>	Each session focuses on developing coordination, balance, strength and self-control through age-appropriate drills, kata practice and partner activities. Children learn respect, focus and perseverance—important life skills that extend far beyond the dojo.

## Class Highlights – what have we been doing this week?

### Reception

Reception have had a swashbuckling week inspired by our Book of the Week, *Never Mess with a Pirate Princess!* The children thoroughly enjoyed Pirate Day, making colourful parrots and treasure maps, writing messages in bottles and setting off on an exciting treasure hunt. It was wonderful to see their creativity, imagination and enthusiasm as they immersed themselves in all things pirate-themed.

### Year 1

Year 1 have had a fantastic week of learning across the curriculum. In English, the children explored *Grandad's Island* and wrote thoughtful letters from Grandad to Syd, showing great imagination and understanding of the characters. In Maths, they developed their knowledge of time by exploring hours, minutes and seconds. In Computing, the children designed their own projects using Scratch, demonstrating creativity and developing their programming skills. Well done, Year 1!

### Year 2

In PE, the children have been developing their balance, strength and mindfulness through yoga. In Maths, they have been practising counting in threes and building their confidence with number patterns. The class have continued to enjoy reading *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark*, sharing their thoughts about the story and its characters. In History, they compared modern hospitals with those from the past, exploring how healthcare has changed over time.

### Year 3

This week, the children have been developing their reading and performance skills by exploring and rehearsing the poem *Overheard on a Saltmarsh* by Harold Monro before performing it with confidence and expression. In Maths, they have been interpreting pictograms and bar charts, using their data-handling skills to answer questions and draw conclusions. The children also enjoyed an exciting STEM workshop delivered by Newcastle Eagles, where they worked collaboratively to tackle challenges and develop their problem-solving skills.

### Year 4

Year 4 have enjoyed an exciting and varied week of learning. The children took part in two inspiring STEM workshops, one led by Mrs Bradbury, an engineer from Nissan, and another delivered by Newcastle Eagles, helping them develop their problem-solving, teamwork and engineering skills. They also participated in a valuable workshop with Gateshead Psychological Services, exploring the importance of friendship, communication and respect. In English, the class began a poetry comparison study, carefully analysing and discussing different poems to identify similarities and differences in language and style.

#### **Year 5**

Year 5 have enjoyed an exciting week of learning. As part of their STEM work, they welcomed Mrs Bradbury, an engineer from Nissan, who shared insights into her role and inspired the children to think about future careers in engineering. In English, the class finished reading *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* and have begun watching the film adaptation. They have been making thoughtful comparisons between the book and the film, discussing how the same story can be presented in different ways and evaluating the effectiveness of each medium.

#### **Year 6**

Year 6 have enjoyed a busy and rewarding week of learning. They took part in an inspiring STEM workshop with Newcastle Eagles and welcomed Mr Sanderson, who shared information about the work of SAGE and the wide range of careers available within the company. In RE, the children completed their Islam project, exploring the Five Pillars of Islam and comparing Muslim values with their own. The class also demonstrated excellent leadership skills by planning, organising and leading Reception's Sports Morning, welcoming parents to join in the event. In Computing, the children became film producers and directors, creating a film all about Clover Hill and showcasing their creativity, teamwork and technical skills.

### Diary Dates

## July

#### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 5 River Walk. Packed lunch required

#### **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 6 Leavers' event at Odeon Cinema  
Year 6 and Reception teddy bears' picnic

#### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

Delayed Year 6 SATs results expected to be released by the DfE  
Rearranged Gateshead Schools Athletics Festival

#### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

9.15am. Year 6 Leavers' Assembly. Families of Year 6 children invited to attend

#### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

School breaks up for the 6 weeks holiday

## September

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** - School re-opens to pupils for the Autumn term