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Head Teacher News

IT'S BACK! LGBTQ+ MONTH!!

At Clifton we don't just celebrate themed weeks or months—we do it all the year round! Our curriculum embraces diversity wherever possible. However, we would not miss out on the opportunity to join in and put the spotlight on all members of the world's community. At Clifton we pride ourselves on being a Stonewall champion and we continue to work hard to make our school community as inclusive and accepting of everyone as possible.

As such, a huge thanks to all parents and carers who were able to give their time to come and celebrate the launch of our LGBTQ+ month. We had in excess of 100 parents. Please see your feedback and comments below.



Your feedback is important to us. Please take two minutes to complete this form.	Strongly Agree (Agree) 😊	unsure	Disagree	Strongly disagree 😞
I found the presentation on LGBTQ+ Month informative	94% (24%)	4%		2%
It is important that children have an awareness & understand the history of LGBTQ+ rights (in an age appropriate way.)	96% (18%)	2%		2%
School works hard to develop a culture of respect and acceptance for all including: culture, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, race.	98% (18%)			2%
School is inclusive and supports diversity	98% (13%)			2%
I enjoyed the session(s) I was in with my child	98% (11)			2%

Parental Views:

Lots of parents thanked us for an enjoyable morning - here are a few other comments:

***Thank you for your informative talk. I particularly liked the audience participation.**

***Great assembly! Lovely to come into school and participate with your child.**

***Age appropriate is a key phrase**

***Great morning. Learnt lots of information in the presentation. Joined in 3 different cases and all the children looked happy and had a good range of activities.**

***Very useful having these sessions. Also brings awareness to parents and opens conversations for discussion at home.**

***Love this school and love the open mornings.**

***Thanks so much for all that you are doing for the children. You are all a brilliant team.**

***Teachers are very helpful and lovely to be around and speak to.**

***Great to have the opportunity to see our daughter in the classroom and how the school educates her re LGBTQ+**

One parent raised concerns about the condition of the ceilings and fire exits—the building is old, however our Site Officer is aware of the repairs needed. Fire exits have been checked and are clear.

One parent strongly disagreed with the Open Morning. I am happy to meet and discuss their concerns.

As part of our LGBTQ+ Month we have launched our Behind the Lens competition which challenges the children to create a bibliography of a person who is a member of the LGBTQ+ community—celebrating their achievements and their legacy, feel free to help your child enter. Closing date 16th February.

Have a lovely weekend. L. M. Jones



Dates for your diary

6th February

After school clubs restart

10th February

Golden Owl Assembly 2.45pm

14th February

Anglo Saxon Day Year 3

16th February

LGBTQ+ Competition ends

17th February

School Closes Half Term

27th February

School re-opens

1st March

Year 2 SATs meeting 3.30pm

Year 6 SATs and Lledr meeting 4.00pm

2nd March

World Book Day—Animal theme

Movie Night KS1 & 2

3rd March

Open Afternoon for parents

8th March

Parents Meetings 1.30—7.30pm

17th March

Red Nose Day—Comic Relief

21st March

Odd Sock Day

27th March

Eggstravaganza Competition

30th March

School closes for Easter



Thanks to all parents, carers and staff who helped make the Winter Dance a HUGE success.

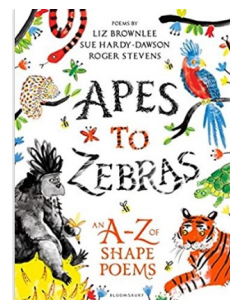
The children looked amazing, were

incredibly well behaved and danced the time away!

We have raised £285.35 which will go towards equipment for the Performing Arts.

Next term—World Book Day (WEEK) is coming!

THE ANIMALS ARE COMING TO TOWN FOR WORLD BOOK DAY!!
Thursday March 2nd



We will send letters home about this but we will be having an Animal themed World Book Day! All based around our class book - the poetry of Apes to Zebras. Very exciting!

All children will have the opportunity to participate in an animal workshop, (£2.00 voluntary donation), there is also the opportunity for face painting which costs £1.00 and finally a movie evening which costs £2.00 (this includes drinks and popcorn).

What to do if your child is off sick—but feels a little better

A couple of parents have asked what they can do with their child while they are off sick. By this they mean if they are feeling a little bit better or have had a stomach bug which means they have to have two days off or they have covid without any symptoms. Obviously as a staff team we would not expect or want children to do any school work if they are poorly. They need to rest and recuperate.

However if you find yourself at home with your child, or they are at Grandparents while you work, here are a few things you can do with them.

Read books, lots of books — picture books are also great—children can be asked lots of questions about the pictures and can extend their vocabulary at the same time.

Draw or colour with them. Mindfulness sheets are very good for fine motor control and peaceful times.

Look on the school website at what the class is learning about this term in the foundation subjects

e.g. History—The Vikings and do some research with them. They can bring that into school when they return and show their teacher.

If your child feels up to it they can also access the online learning platforms such as Purple Mash, Times Table Rockstars, Spelling Shed to name but a few. Limit the time they spend on their tablets etc so they access other things.

It is up to you what they do and how much. But we hope this helps.