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Dear Parents,

Another week of news....

Dates:

Mon 1st Oct: School Parliament
Thurs 4th Oct: World poetry day
Thurs 4th Oct: Hockey tournament at Whitecross (1.00pm-4.30pm)
Fri 5th Oct: Castle visit
Sat 13th Oct: Garden clean up.
Thurs 18th Oct: PTFA meeting 5pm
Mon 22nd Oct: Harvest assembly
2pm
Fri 26th Oct: Non-uniform day
Fri 26th Oct: Guy making
Fri 26th Oct: Last day of half term
Mon 5th Nov: Inset day (no school)
Tues 6th Nov: Second half term begins
Wed 7th Nov: Year R to 5 flu vaccination
Fri 9th Nov: School reports
Tues 13th Nov: Whole school cinema trip
Mon 19th Nov: Parents evening
Tues 20th Nov: Parents evening
Mon 26th Nov: Netball tournament at Weobley
Tues 11th Dec: Christmas production (evening performance)
Wed 12th Dec: Christmas production (afternoon performance)
Mon 17th Dec: Athletics at Weobley
Thurs 20th Dec: Finish for Christmas
Wed 9th Jan: First day of the Spring term

LOOKING BACK

Peer Mediation: All our peer mediators are fully trained and are ready to support the children to settle their differences peacefully. A list of all the peer mediators will be displayed on the 'peer mediation board,' so that all the children know who they are. Thank you so much to Mrs Jones for all her hard work!

Year 5 and 6.

Many thanks to **Andy Fryers** who brought in fascinating artefacts from WW1 and 2. It was a great morning and later on the children enjoyed drawing what they had seen.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday: Year 5 swimming: £4 weekly cost

School Parliament: We will be discussing homework and school dinners.

Wednesday: Reception class, forest school

Thursday: World poetry day.

Hockey Tournament: Good luck to our Year 5 and 6 hockey team who are heading off to Whitecross School for a tournament. (The children involved have had a separate letter).
Leave Clifford School at 1.00pm
Return to Clifford School at 4.30pm

Friday: Whole school trip to Clifford castle, 1pm-3.15pm.

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On the afternoon of Friday 5th October the whole school will be visiting Clifford Castle to learn about the fascinating history of our village. Your child will be bused there after lunch.

We would be very grateful if you could help us fund the bus by making a voluntary contribution towards the bus of £1.50 per child. Please send your monies in, in a clearly labelled envelope.

We would also appreciate a little parent help, so if you are free for the afternoon and would like to visit the castle with us please let Mrs Peachey know.

Your child may come to school that day in forest school clothes ready for the castle visit: trousers, trainers/walking boots/ long sleeve top/ coat. If your child has a clip board at home could they bring it in for the day, clearly named? Thank you!

At the end of the school day, 3.15pm you can choose to collect your child from the castle or stay on with your child for the PTFA event that follows, it would be great to see as many families there as possible. (Please note no child can stay to the PTFA event without an adult).

Details of how to get to the castle and parking will be sent out during next week.

Friday 5th October PTFA family event at Clifford Castle: 3.15 – 5pm (Our first PTFA event of the year, let's make it a good one).

The PTFA invites parents and siblings to join us at the castle for a BBQ and games/treasure hunt. This event is weather dependent and there is an alternative date of 12th Oct if rain stops play.

Could we also add a call to y 5 and 6 parents to get in touch with us if they can help? Help required to set up beforehand, clear up afterwards, help with BBQ or food donations, be there to help supervise children, or bring along/organise any games.

We look forward to seeing as many parents there as possible. Free entrance and a chance to explore Clifford Castle!

In your child's book bag you will find a slip letting us know your plans for the end of the school day next Friday, the Clifford castle visit. Please return the slip on Monday 1st October.

Choices:

Picking my child up at Clifford castle at 3.15pm.

Meeting my child at Clifford castle at 3.15pm to go to the PTFA event.

Going home on the school minibus as usual (this option is only for regular bus users).

Parking: a map will be sent home with your child next week.

Please let us know if your child is staying to help us manage the pick-up from the castle at 3.15. Please also remember to send your child with £1.50 to cover the cost of the bus from school to the castle.

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Finally - a year 6 pupil has lost a **brand new coat**. It is a boy's bright blue puffa style coat. Please could you have a look in any bags to check that it hasn't been taken home by mistake. Thank you so much.

Please browse our website for photos and any updates

If you need any further information on anything, do not hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely,

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PTFA

We really hope you can join us next Friday after school for the Clifford Castle Gathering from 3.15 - 5pm.

This is a social rather than a fundraising event and our aim is simply to get as many people as possible there to welcome the new parents and provide an opportunity for meeting and mingling. There will be tea and cake for grown-ups and hot dogs for kids, there will be a treasure hunt, archery, face-painting and other activities. There will be no charge but we will have a pot for donations to cover costs.

We are very grateful to Keith and Annie Hill who have invited us in to enjoy the castle - they have been keen to get Clifford School down for a visit, particularly since they realised that their castle is the school logo! (on the school uniform). Please be aware that this is their home and we must be respectful of this at all times.

Please remember that if your child is staying after 3.15 you will need to accompany them - the PTFA is not taking responsibility for the children.