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Dear Parents and Carers

Clacton Town Football Club partnership

Jon Willis is the new Chairman at Clacton Town Football Club. He will be building an exciting partnership with Cann Hall School, which will include FREE season tickets for all pupils at the school, match day experiences, workshops, after school clubs and appearances to watch the school football teams compete.



Clacton Town Football Club is a historic community football club based in Clacton-on-Sea, Essex. Founded in 1892, the club has a proud tradition of developing local talent and competing within the non-league football pyramid. Known as "The Seaside," Clacton Town has long been at the heart of the local sporting community, providing opportunities for players of all ages to participate and progress in the game. With a strong focus on player development, community engagement, and competitive football, the club continues to build on its rich heritage while striving for success both on and off the pitch. Clacton Town remains committed to fostering a positive football environment and representing the town with pride throughout Essex and beyond.



Jon Willis is a well-respected football talent identification specialist, with more than two decades of experience in scouting, player recruitment, and football development. He serves as Head of Scouting at UK Football Scouting, an organisation dedicated to identifying, assessing, and creating opportunities for talented players across grassroots, academy, and professional football. He also works as a Regional Professional Scout for Arsenal FC.

Through UK Football Scouting and his professional scouting roles, Jon Willis continues to play an influential role in identifying emerging talent, supporting player progression, and helping clubs discover the next generation of footballers. His reputation within the game is built on experience, integrity, and

a commitment to creating genuine opportunities for players at every level of the football pyramid.

A Reminder About Safe and Considerate Parking

We would like to remind all parents, carers and visitors to park safely and considerately when dropping off and collecting children from school.



Recently, we have noticed an increasing number of vehicles being parked directly outside the school gates and across dropped kerbs. This is causing significant difficulties for families with prams, wheelchair users and those with mobility needs, who rely on these access points to move safely between the pavement and the road.

Parking in these locations not only blocks access but also restricts visibility for pedestrians and other road users. Children and adults attempting to cross the road may be forced to step out from behind parked vehicles, making it harder for drivers to see them. We have experienced several near misses in recent weeks, which is a concern for the whole school community.

We therefore ask everyone to:

- Avoid parking on or across dropped kerbs.
- Keep the area in front of the school gates clear at all times.
- Park legally and considerately, not on zig zag or double yellow lines, even if it means walking a little further to school.
- Be mindful of the visibility of pedestrians, cyclists and other road users.

We appreciate that school drop-off and pick-up times can be busy but a few extra moments spent finding a safe parking space can make a significant difference to the safety of everyone in our community.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in helping us keep our children safe.

Learning

2C have been measuring this week. They started the week by looking at balance scales and identifying which objects are lighter or heavier. They then explored different scales, measuring the mass of objects in grams and kilograms!



4HH took part in 'hot seating' in their English lesson. They took it in turns to become the main character from our class text, Varjak Paw (he is a Mesopotamian Blue cat), then the others in the group asked them questions related to the story. It was an opportunity for the children to really understand how the character was feeling when he left his home and went Outside for the first time.





Transition week

The children enjoyed an exciting week of transition activities, taking part in stories and games with their new teachers and LSAs, as well as spending a trial morning in their new classrooms.

We would also like to congratulate our Year 6 pupils, that will be leaving us this year, who spent the day at their new secondary schools, taking an important step in their educational journey.

Finally, we were delighted to welcome the newest members of the Cann Hall family. Our Reception children joined us for their induction session on Thursday, and it was wonderful to meet them and begin helping them settle into school life. We look forward to welcoming them officially in September.

Free Webinars

If you have the time, we really encourage you to sign up for these:

FREE WEBINARS

FOR PARENTS & CARERS

supporting your neurodivergent child with mental health and wellbeing

Provided by your Mental Health Support Team
@EssexMHST_and_SETcamhs

bit.ly/4jtb46c

SIGN UP

Coming up in July...

Helping Neurodivergent Children and Young People with

Sensory Needs
30th July 10 am

Meltdowns and Shutdowns
31st July 10 am

North East London
Mental Health Support Team

FREE WEBINARS

FOR PARENTS/CARERS

of primary aged children

Provided by your Mental Health Support Team
@EssexMHST_and_SETcamhs

bit.ly/3MaR1wJ

Coming up in July...

Understanding Emotionally Based School Avoidance
13th July 10 am

Helping Your Child with Fears and Worries
15th July 7 pm

North East London
Mental Health Support Team



Summer Fair - Reminder



The PTA will be running their annual Summer Fair (weather permitting) on **Friday 10th July**.

Wrist bands and tokens

You can beat the rush by preordering wristbands and tokens directly from the PTA (see flyer).

Timings

As usual you will be able to collect your children at **2pm** on this day, so they have plenty of time to visit the fair. If you are unable to collect your child, at the earlier time, we will of course look after them until 3.10pm.

Please let your child's class teacher know, in advance, if your child will be collected by someone else, or you want them to leave on their own, at this time, as they will not be able to release them otherwise, for safeguarding purposes.

If you would be interested in helping at this year's fete, please email the PTA on

friendsofcannhallpta@gmail.com





A plea for teddy bears! - Reminder

These can be placed in the tub under the bike shelter at the front of the school.



Non-Uniform Day/Crazy Hair Day -

Reminder

To help the PTA with donations for the Fair, we will be having a non-uniform/crazy hair day on **Friday 3rd July**. Please see the poster as to what items the PTA would like donated, in return for the children being able to take part in this day.



Sports Day - Reminder

Weather permitting, we will be running our sports events, next week. A separate letter has been sent out with the details but here is another reminder of the timings:

Wednesday 1st July

Year 2 sports event will take place at 8.45am – 10.15am

Year 1 sports event will take place at 10.15 – 11.45am

EYFS sports event will take place at 1.45pm

Thursday 2nd July

Year 3 sports event will take place at 8.50am – 10.05am

Year 4 sports event will take place at 10.10am – 11.25am

Year 5 sports event will take place at 11.30 – 12.45pm

Year 6 sports event will take place at 12.50pm – 2.05pm

Coffee and Chat - Reminder



We are delighted to invite you to our first **Coffee and Chat** session on **Tuesday 14th July at 2:30pm**.

These sessions are open to all parents and provide a relaxed opportunity to meet with **Mrs Byrne** and **Mr Smith** and **Mrs Newman** to discuss a range of topics in an informal setting.

For our first session, we will be focusing on: **Feedback from this academic year** – what has gone well and how we can continue to improve.

As the name suggests, this will be a friendly and informal gathering, with hot drinks provided (and biscuits too, if Mr Smith remembers!)

If you would like to attend, please let Mr Smith know either at the gate or by email at msmith@compassps.uk

We look forward to welcoming you and hearing your thoughts.

Reading workshop - Reminder

To help you support your child's reading at home, we would like to invite you to a reading workshop for parents.



During the session, we will:

- Explain how reading is taught in the upper year groups at Cann Hall
- Outline the different reading comprehension domains
- Share practical ideas to support your child at home

The workshop will focus primarily on supporting older children (Years 5 and 6). However, parents of children in younger year groups are also very welcome to attend.

We previously offered this workshop to Year 6 parents at the start of the year, and the feedback was very positive. Following feedback from the recent parent consultation evenings, we have decided to run the workshop twice — once during the school day and once after school — to provide greater flexibility.

Dates and times:

- **Monday 29th June at 4:30pm**
- **Thursday 2nd July at 2:30pm**

If you would like to attend, please let Mr Smith know either at the school gate or via email at msmith@compassps.uk We look forward to seeing you there.

Year 6 Leavers' Party - Reminder



Year 6 parents will still be selling ice pops outside the Year 6 block, after school, to raise more funds and on **Fridays** they will also have 'Guess number of sweets in a jar' and 'Guess name of teddy.'



On **Tuesday 30th** June there will be a bric a brac sale outside year 6 block straight after school.

If you would just like to donate or would be able to help in any way towards, please speak to Mr AB or Mrs Levy.



Thank you to all those parents and carers who are giving up their time to ensure that the Year 6 children have the 'sendoff' they deserve.

Soak the Teacher Success!



A huge thank you to all our parents and carers who generously donated to our recent 'Soak the Teacher' event to help raise funds for the Year 6 party. Thanks to your support, we raised nearly £300!

We would also like to extend a special thank you to the members of staff, Mr AB, Mrs Levy, Miss Milner and Mr Smith, who bravely volunteered to be soaked and helped make the event such a fun and memorable experience for everyone.

As the event was such a great success and enjoyed by all, we're delighted to announce that 'Soak the Teacher' will be returning at our Summer Fair! We look forward to another fun afternoon, while raising even more funds for our school community.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Amazon Wishlist



We are delighted to remind you about our Amazon Wishlist, containing a range of resources and items that would further support teaching and learning across the school.

As schools continue to face increasing costs and limited budgets, donations through our wishlist help us to provide those extra resources that can make a real difference to your child's educational experience. From classroom supplies and reading resources to play equipment and learning materials, every item purchased helps to enrich opportunities for our pupils.

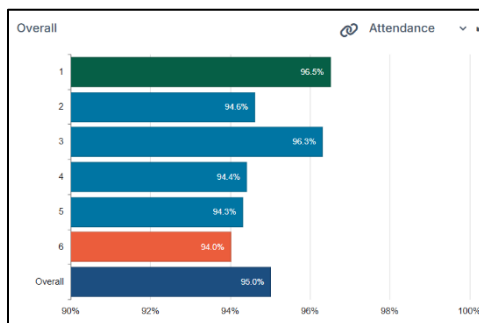
There is absolutely no obligation to contribute, but if you would like to support the school in this way, we would be incredibly grateful for any purchases made from the wishlist. Just follow the link below or scan the QR code.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/7BZYUCCXMXUT?ref=wl_share



Thank you, as always, for your continued support and generosity. Together, we can provide even more opportunities and resources to enhance our children's learning and development.

Attendance Update



Overall attendance was **95%** this week. Fantastic attendance from Year 1, who have taken the top spot this week with an attendance of 96.5%. Year 3 still great attendance at 96.3%.

Every year group is still sitting at 94% + this week.

Celebration certificates

The role models, receiving certificates in our celebration assembly today were:



Year 1: Oliver and Reevea

Year 2: Elijah and Madison

Year 3: Winnie & Myla-Rae

Year 4: Emilia & Jim

Year 5:

The Whole of Year 5

For participating in their Tudor Day with such enthusiasm. Everyone engaged well in all the activities to gain an understanding of society and working practices of Tudor England. The day finished with a Tudor feast, where we were ordered by Henry VIII to celebrate the execution of Anne Boleyn.

Well done, Year5!



Year 6: Lexie and Florance

This Week's Additional Information

At the end of this letter, this week, you will find information about St Johns holiday club and our Spring/Summer dinner menus (we will be back on to Week 3 next week).

Upcoming dates for your diary

29.06.26: Rocky Steady Concert 2:15pm
30.06.26: EYFS trip to Hasty's Farm
01.07.26: EYFS and KS1 Sports Day (weather permitting)
02.07.26: KS2 Sports Day (weather permitting)
03.07.26: Non uniform day
05.07.26: Year 6 Residential (5-8 July)
07.07.26: End of Year Reports sent home
08.07.26: Open Evening (3.10-4.10pm)
10.07.26: KS2 SATs results shared with parents
10.07.26: Summer Fair (weather permitting)
13.07.26: Year 6 production PM (time TBC)
14.07.26: Year 6 production AM and PM (times TBC)
15.07.26: Year 6 Leavers' Party (tbc)
16.07.26: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 10am
16.07.26: Last day of term (Summer Holiday)
17.07.26: INSET DAY (school closed to children)
20.07.26: INSET DAY (school closed to children)

Have a great weekend!

Kindest regards



**Holiday
Club
2026**



Monday 20th to Friday 24th July
10 am – 12 noon

**The Prophet, the giant fish
& the love of God**
Jonah and his adventures



-GAMES-CRAFTS-CHALLENGES-QUIZZES-STORIES-SNACKS-FILMS-



for primary school age (reception–yr 6)
& secondary school age helpers
COST: £1 per day (helpers free)



BOOK USING THE SLIP BELOW (Bookings close Mon 13th July)

Please send to: St John's Church Office, St John's Road, Great Clacton. CO15 4BP

OR phone the Church Office: 01255-475704

OR email gtclactonparish@gmail.com and give the same details

for more information look at www.gtclactonparish.co.uk
or Facebook: **GreatClactonParish**

please book me a place on Holiday Club 2026:

FULL NAME OF CHILD: _____

NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

SCHOOL: _____ CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR: _____

SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU		WEEK 1				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🍕	Beef Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍗	Pork Sausage Bites with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy 🍖	Battered Pollock with Chips 🐟
	OPTION 2	BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Wholegrain Rice 🌯	Vegetarian Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Bean and Cheese Pastry Turnover with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🥟	Macaroni Cheese 🍝	Quorn Dippers with Chips 🍟
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Cheese and Tomato Roll 🥪	Tuna and Cheese Baguette 🥪	Roast Chicken Wrap 🌯	Cheese and Tomato Roll 🥪	Tuna and Cheese Wrap 🌯
	OPTION 5	Egg Mayonnaise Roll 🥪	Ham Baguette 🥪	Cheese, Carrot and Apple Slaw Wrap 🌯	Tuna and Mayo Roll 🥪	Cream Cheese and Cucumber Wrap 🌯
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice 🍰	Oat Cookie 🍪	Strawberry Shortcake Mousse 🍰	Apple Crumble with Custard 🍰	Chocolate Ice Cream 🍦
BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY With a choice of toppings 🍌 🍌 🍌 AVAILABLE DAILY Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water Vegetarian Vegan Oily Fish Fruity! Wholegrain Nutritionist's Choice						

SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU		WEEK 2				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🍕	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges 🍔	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍗	Tandoori Chicken with Wholegrain Rice and Chota Naan Bread 🍛	Fish Fingers with Chips 🐟
	OPTION 2	Tex Mex Vegetable Fajita with Wholegrain Rice 🌯	Beany Vegetable Burger with Potato Wedges 🍔	Roast BBQ Quorn with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍗	Macaroni Cheese 🍝	Quorn Dipper Wrap with Chips 🍟
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🍝
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Cheese and Tomato Roll 🥪	Tuna and Cheese Wrap 🌯	Roast Gammon Baguette 🥪	Cheese and Tomato Wrap 🌯	Cheese Roll 🥪
	OPTION 5	Egg Mayonnaise Roll 🥪	Cheese and Cucumber Wrap 🌯	Cheese Baguette 🥪	Tuna and Sweetcorn Wrap 🌯	Ham Roll 🥪
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Apple and Golden Syrup Sponge with Custard 🍰	Chocolate Slice 🍰	Caramel Mousse 🍰	Ginger Biscuit with Melon Wedges 🍰	Strawberry Ice Cream 🍦
BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY With a choice of toppings 🍌 🍌 🍌 AVAILABLE DAILY Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water Vegetarian Vegan Oily Fish Fruity! Wholegrain Nutritionist's Choice						

SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

WEEK 3

W/C: 27/04/2026, 18/05/2026, 08/06/2026, 29/06/2026, 20/07/2026, 10/08/2026, 31/08/2026, 21/09/2026, 12/10/2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with BBQ Potato Wedges 🌱	Herby Tomato Chicken with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱🌱	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🌱	All Day Breakfast with Potato Wedges	Southern Fried Chicken with Chips
	OPTION 2	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
	OPTION 3	Veggie Pizza with Wedges 🌱	Cheesy Bean Burrito with Wholegrain Rice 🌱🌱🌱	Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Gravy 🌱🌱	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread 🌱🌱🌱	Veggie Fingers with Chips 🌱
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		Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🌱
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Cheese and Tomato Wrap	Cheese Roll	Roast Chicken Wrap	Cheese Roll	Cheese and Tomato Baguette
	OPTION 5	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
		Houmous and Carrot Wrap 🌱	Ham Roll	Cheese Wrap 🌱	Tuna and Sweetcorn Roll	Egg Mayonnaise Baguette 🌱
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Custard Shortbread with Melon Wedges 🌱	Orange Glazed Sticky Sponge Cake with Custard 🌱	Chocolate Mousse	Raspberry Jelly 🌱	Mango Frozen Yoghurt



BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY
With a choice of toppings 🌱🌱



AVAILABLE DAILY
Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

🌱 Vegetarian 🌱 Vegan 🌱 Oily Fish 🌱 Fruity! 🌱 Wholegrain 🌱 Nutritionist's Choice

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.



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