



Event Calendar

Welcome to Clipston Primary School. The Event Calendar may be useful for all parents, but particularly to those families new to Clipston School, in order to have an overview of the school year. The list below does not cover all the events that take place, but those listed usually take place every year. The details of these events and others (including sports events, The Y5&6 Residential, class trips and visitors) that take during the year are given – usually two months in advance – via our weekly newsletter, which is sent to parents by email every Friday. Our Instagram page ([clipstonvcprimary](#)) also provides an overview of School Life.

Autumn Term

Event	When
<p>Harvest Festival All Saints Church, Clipston Most Parents/carers attend. We usually support our link school in India (through our longstanding support of the charity Children United www.childrenunited.btck.co.uk) and a local food bank.</p>	<p>9.15am - usually on a Tuesday during the last week of September / first week of October depending on the availability of the vicar.</p>
<p>Individual Photographs Parents/carers do not attend. We do however offer photos with pre-school siblings, between 8.45-9.00am, if you would like to bring your younger children.</p>	<p>Usually in early October from 8.45am</p>
<p>Enrichment Day Parents/carers do not attend. All the children across the whole school work together on a range of activities, which are designed to enrich the curriculum. The day is sponsored by the School Association.</p>	<p>Two or three times a year.</p>
<p>Autumn Parent Consultations Parents/carers are required to make an appointment via the online booking system to discuss their child's progress and attainment with the class teacher. The children are not required to attend, although you can bring them with you (they remain with you during the consultation) if you are not using a baby-sitter.</p>	<p>Twice a year: before October half-term and again in March. Usually from 1.30pm to early evening on one day and then from 3.30pm until about 7pm on another day.</p>
<p>Awards Worship Assembly Parents/carers do not attend but are invited to send in any nominations for Gold Awards via the school office email. Awards are made for a variety of achievements such as passing a music or dance exam, moving up a grade at swimming or other sports club, achieving a Rainbows, Brownies, Beavers or Cubs badge, community enterprise e.g. fundraising or litter-picking and for accolades such as being awarded Blue Peter Badges or an exceptional effort resulting in an achievement, as well as for progress or an exceptional act in school. The House Cup is also awarded, plus any school sports certificates.</p>	<p>Six times a year, just before or just after a school holiday.</p>
<p>School Calendar Photos – organised by the School Association – a traditional fundraiser for the school. Parents/carers do not attend.</p>	<p>End of October, depending on the volunteers from the School Association.</p>
<p>Secondary School Application Deadline The date by which parents of children in Year 6 must have submitted their on-line application.</p>	<p>Usually 31st October</p>
<p>Swimming The KS2 children take in in turns to attend weekly swimming lessons between October half-term and Easter.</p>	<p>Usually on a Friday morning.</p>
<p>Phonics Information Session All parents/carers are invited to attend to gain a better understand of how we teach Reading / Phonics and to glean information about how to support learning at home.</p>	<p>Usually in late September or early October, either during the school day or during an evening.</p>

<p>Children In Need Fundraising for Charity, arranged by the pupils on the School Council who will usually organise a fundraising opportunity to support Children in Need e.g. a cake-bake, and all families are encouraged to take part.</p>	Usually the second Friday in November
<p>Life Education Sessions This supports our Health Education curriculum. Parents/carers are welcome to attend the Parent Session. Further information can be found at (www.coram.org.uk) Children will attend their own Year Group sessions which are led by the trained Life Education Staff.</p>	The Parent Session is usually at the beginning or the end of a school day. The Life Education Team usually visits in the autumn or spring term.
<p>Infant Nativity This usually takes place in the school hall. Almost all parents/carers attend.</p>	There are usually two performances at 11am and 2pm – usually during the second week in December.
<p>Assembly to celebrate Christingle – Led by the vicar at All Saints Church, Clipston for the Infant children. Parents do not attend.</p>	This is usually during the first week in December.
<p>Christmas Bazaar – traditional annual fundraiser organised by the School Association. Almost all parents arrange for a family representative to collect their child/ren at 1.30pm and accompany them around the Bazaar. If you are unable to send a representative, the school will allocate a member of staff to your child.</p>	This takes place in school, usually on the first Friday in December, 1.30pm until 3.30pm.
<p>Flu Immunisations Parents/Carers do not attend</p>	These sessions are arranged by the School Health Team – usually in the autumn term.
<p>Junior Carol Concert @ All Saints' Church Everyone is welcome to attend events in church. Most KS2 parents/carers attend this traditional event.</p>	Usually the last week of term at 2.00pm.
<p>Whole School Pantomime It has been a tradition for many years to take the whole school to watch a pantomime. Parents do not attend.</p>	This usually takes place during the last two weeks of the autumn term.
<p>School Christmas Disco This is organised by the School Association. Parents do not attend, although the School Association would be pleased if parents could volunteer to help.</p>	This takes place in the school hall, usually towards the end of term, juts after school.
<p>Kingswood Christmas Lunch The majority of staff and children enjoy a traditional Christmas Lunch, served by the staff. Children are invited to wear Christmas Jumpers. We have a selection in school if you prefer not to purchase one especially. Parents do not attend.</p>	This takes place during December. The school is allocated a day by Kingswood Caterers.
<p>Spring Term</p>	
<p>Primary School Application Deadline The date by which parents of Pre-school children must have submitted their on-line application for a school place.</p>	Usually mid-January.
<p>Science Conference This event is organised by our local Science Partnership and is for KS2 pupils. There are a limited number of places allocated every year. The children enjoy Science lectures by visiting speakers and take part in Science lessons planned and run by teachers who volunteer to give up their time.</p>	This takes place at a local Secondary school – usually Robert Smyth Academy, on the last Saturday in January.
<p>Spring Parent Consultations As above</p>	As above
<p>World Book Day We usually participate in World Book Day activities such as bringing in a favourite book/wearing pyjamas/decorating a wooden spoon as a book character/promoting bedtime reading etc. Parents do not attend.</p>	Usually on the first Thursday in March.
<p>Whole Class Photos Parents/carers do not attend.</p>	During the school day, usually in March.

<p>Comic Relief – Red Nosed Day The pupil-led School Council will usually organise a fundraising opportunity to support Red Nose Day e.g. a cake bake and all families are encouraged to take part.</p>	A Friday in mid-March
<p>Easter Service - All Saints' Church Most parents/carers attend this traditional Service which is led by the children.</p>	Usually the last day of the spring Term at 9.15am
Summer Term	
<p>School Association Summer Fete This traditional fundraising event is organised by the School Association. Most families attend.</p>	Usually the Saturday before the May half-term, occasionally in June.
<p>Sports Day The Infants compete first, collecting points for their House Team. The Juniors then compete in traditional races. The House Sports Cup is awarded. Children wear a t-shirt in their House Colour if they can. Most parents/carers attend.</p>	This usually takes place at school on a Friday afternoon in June. Two dates are arranged on the school calendar in case it rains on the first date.
<p>Transition Morning The children spend the morning with the children they will be in class with in September. The new Reception entrants join us. Parents do not attend.</p>	This usually takes place on the first Monday in July to link in with the Secondary School Transition Days.
<p>Year 5&6 Play The Year 5&6 children perform in a production in the school hall. Almost all KS2 parents/carers attend.</p>	There is usually an afternoon and an evening performance on two consecutive days in July.
<p>EYFS End of Year Celebration All parents/carers of Reception children attend.</p>	This takes place on an afternoon in July, in the Owl's Classroom.
<p>Leavers' Service – in All Saints' Church This is a special service to celebrate our Year 6 leavers. Everyone is always welcome to attend church, but this event is mainly attended by Year 6 parents.</p>	Usually on the penultimate day of the summer term at 9.15am.
Key to Terminology:	
Infants	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
Juniors	Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6
Early Years Foundation Stage	Reception
Key Stage 1	Year 1 and Year 2
Key Stage 2	Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6
Lower Key Stage 2	Year 3 and Year 4
Upper Key Stage 2	Year 5 and Year 6



Thank you to everyone for supporting our school events.