



Executive Headteachers Report

So we come to the final newsletter of the year. As a Headteacher, it is always lovely to reflect back on the year and celebrate the wonderful things that have happened both in and out of the classroom.

As parents and carers, I know that you have noticed the school improvements and we have continued to listen to your suggestions and feedback. The re-introduction of our newsletter, Cleeve Life has given us lots of opportunities to showcase all the wonderful things that students are getting up to, from the flying trip to football matches, from Accelerated Reading to showing coursework. All of these things make our school a thriving hub of activity.

Over the last year, but in particular over the last term, we have seen a growth in the number of trips, conferences and events for our students. Whilst it brings some changes to the day to day running of the school, the benefit of this wider curriculum is enormous. It has been wonderful to see these all go ahead this year and we hope to do more again next year.



I could list the trips and activities that have gone on, but it would make the end of year newsletter go into pages and pages. If you would like to see all the fantastic activities that have gone on, please follow us on Facebook where there is a great record of the events over the last year.

Ofsted Monitoring Visit

One of the privileges I have as the Headteacher is to welcome visitors to our school. As we continue our journey of improvement I was delighted to welcome Ofsted back for a monitoring visit in May. Whilst this visit was an ungraded inspection, it lays the foundation for our reinspection within the next 6-9 months. The full report will be available to read on our website but I have included some excerpts below:

"Since the last inspection, you have taken decisive and considered action to drive change forward...You have developed a robust quality assurance programme and are monitoring progress.

Pupils are more engaged in lessons and there has been a marked improvement in behaviour. Staff say these actions have led to a positive change in the culture of the school"

I am sure you will agree when you read the full report that Cleeve Park is going from strength to strength. This is only possible with the support of parents, the hard work from staff and the positive attitude to learning from students.

Staffing



At the end of any academic year we inevitably say goodbye to some staff who are moving on. It would be remiss of me to not specifically mention Ms Morgan who retires at the end of term.

We would like to thank her for her commitment and long service to the school. Over the years she has seen many changes and developments (not least 5 Headteachers!) and has been working hard right up to the end of this term to make sure she leaves the school in a really good place. She has held a range of positions within the school, including leading our P16 and more recently overseeing behaviour. I am sure you will join me in wishing her a very long and happy retirement.

We also say goodbye to Ms McCarthy, Mr Naidoo, Ms Clancy, Ms Karakas and Mr Stewart. We wish them all the best in their next roles.

I am delighted that despite the current recruitment situation we are facing nationally, we are fully staffed for next year and look forward to welcoming new colleagues to join our community.

Year Group support

I am delighted to announce that we have appointed Ms Tangi to lead our Post 16 and Ms Cutting will be joining the Raising Standards team.

By way of a reminder, the Raising Standards Leader (RSL) is responsible for the overall academic progress of your child, and the Pastoral Support Leader (PSL) is responsible for the pastoral care of your child.

Mr Moloney continues to oversee the transition of students from year 6 into 7 alongside his role as line manager of the PSLs as Head of Behaviour across the whole school.

Year Group	Raising Standards Leader	Pastoral Support
7	Mr Onabanjo (Assistant Headteacher)	Miss Manchester
8	Ms Cutting	Mrs Kane
9	Mr Southby	Mrs Mayzes
10	Ms Tebbutt	Mrs Hobbs
11	Mrs Dixon (Assistant Headteacher)	Mrs Hobbs
12 & 13	Ms Tangi	Mrs Rogers & Mrs Taylor

Focus:



Jack Petchey

On Wednesday 14th June 2023, Mr Faulkner and Mr Portsmouth attended this year's Jack Petchey Awards Ceremony with nine Jack Petchey winners from Cleeve Park School. The Jack Petchey Foundation allows teachers and students to not only recognise, but celebrate and reward students for their amazing achievements inside and outside of school.

The awards ceremony took place at The Orchard Theatre, Dartford where we were joined by other schools in the Bexley Borough. There were a number of fantastic singing and dancing performances, with students displaying their talents with confidence. It was a great experience seeing the smiles on our students' faces enjoying the moment and being grateful for the recognition they have received from staff at Cleeve Park School.

Every academic year, our nine winners are awarded with a certificate, badge and medallion presented by a VIP guest each year along with £300 each which is used to contribute to any area within the school. In the past, students have contributed their money to the development of specific subjects and even school trips. This year, our winners contributed their £300 to subjects including PE, Geography, Art, Science and Music.

"As I was nominated by the PE department, I wanted to give back to them. I am a GCSE PE student and feel myself and my class would benefit from revision textbooks that would help us prepare for our exam. We would even get use out of these during lessons where we can independently find an answer ourselves, instead of relying on others to give the answer for us. Having these will definitely support our learning and will continue to support others in the future"

Natasha Edwards (Year 10)

Congratulations to our 2022-23 winners:

Lily-Rose Light-Wanden - Year 7 Isabelle Harding - Year 8 Fausta Sutulaite - Year 8 Melis Ahmet - Year 9 Jaroslavs Jankelovics - Year 9 Natasha Edwards - Year 10 Frankie Whelan - Year 10 Hussna Samadi - Year 11 Max Harris - Year 13



Student Awards 2023

On Monday we held our first Student Awards ceremony. Achievement data given by teaching and support staff was collated from ClassCharts and used to select the students who deserved recognition in the following categories, not just academic success:

Creativity Teamwork Commitment Performance Leadership

Students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 12 were invited to attend a Special Assembly where they were given out badges to display on their blazers & lanyards. This year we had several students who received awards in 3 & 4 different categories.



Let's see if anyone can achieve all 5 by this time next year!

Change to start of the day

There will be a slight change to the start of the day. At the moment, students line up at the front of school for UPBEAT. Whilst this had a positive effect at the tail end of Covid, it is time to move to a new arrangement.

Essentially, UPBEAT will move to tutor groups. They will arrive to form rooms at 8.35am for what will be a "standing registration". This is an opportunity for form tutors to have eyes on their tutees at the start of the day, checking in with tutees and ensuring they are ready for the day. This will be the morning registration mark for the day so it is important that registration is done and students are prompt. Period 1 will then start 5 minutes later at 8.40am.

Return to School - timings can be found on the website

By way of reminder, students are expected back to school with the correct uniform and fully equipped. It is important that we start the year positively and fully prepared for work. Please refer to the guidance on our website regarding what is required.

Year 7 & 12 are expected to return on Friday 1st September The rest of the school are expected on Monday 4th September.

So from all the staff at Cleeve Park, we wish you a very happy summer break. I would like to thank all of the staff for their hard work and commitment to making Cleeve Park such a great place to educate young people.

Mrs A O'Donnell, Executive Headteacher