

ST CLARE'S R.C.P NEWSLETTER

Guided by Jesus Christ, our teacher, we journey together learning to dream, believe and achieve.

Friday 14th January 2022



Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy New Year to you all!

Welcome back to a new term at St Clare's. I hope that you have had a peaceful break and managed to spend some time with your families and friends. We are delighted to have the children back – as I'm sure you are!

In Reception this week, our children have been reading about Pirate Yellowbelly and were coming up with great lists of how to be a better pirate. Year 2 are learning about hygiene and how germs spread. They are investigating how bacteria grows on potatoes when our hands are dirty. Year 4 have been creative and made Viking models and musical instruments. Year 6 had a history company in school on Tuesday and spent the day experiencing different aspects of World War 2 – rationing, Morse Code, being an evacuee and used drama to express themselves. They had a great experience!

Assembly

“You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.” Luke 3: 15 – 16, 21 – 22

The Gospel reading at church at the weekend described the Baptism of Jesus, a momentous occasion where we meet the family of God: the Holy Trinity. Using a painting, we explored the Holy Trinity to help pupils learn that God invites us into His family and be called His children – if we choose to accept the invitation!

Pupil certificates

	Pupil of the week	Achievement
N	Yohannes for making an excellent start to the New Year	Uririoghene for showing confidence in all areas
RH	Jacob G for excellent work in maths, understanding the language of most and fewest and being able to order groups of objects from most to fewest.	Julia for fantastic recognition of tricky words and showing lots of enthusiasm.
RC	Ellion for coming back to school with a can-do attitude and always being ready.	Ophelia for amazing reading with Miss Cooke
Y1S	Osamagbe for making super progress in his Maths interventions with Mrs Smith!	Frankie for consistently remembering his full stops and capital letters in his work, even after being off school for over 2 weeks!
Y1D	Rory for his fantastic attitude to learning and for having a growth mindset when approaching new challenges.	Honor for consistently using capital letters and full stops in your writing!
Y2M	Dolcie for a great 1st week back and a super attitude towards learning!	Sofia for her enthusiasm and progress in Maths!
Y2L	Jeffrey for working really hard and putting 100% effort	Max for fantastic understanding of money in Maths
Y3M	Oliver L for returning to school with such a fantastic attitude to learning. I am so proud of you!	Oliver K for working so hard over the holidays to improve his handwriting! Well done on all of your hard work!
Y3G	Jacob for trying his best all week in class! You have had such a fantastic attitude this term and I hope it continues.	Harry for trying hard with all subjects. You have really impressed me and Miss Jones with your work.
Y4RW	Noah for having a fantastic attitude towards his learning, always giving 100%.	Jack B for creating a fantastic model of a Viking longship over half term.

Y4S	Kaja for trying really hard this week and giving great contributions to lessons.	John Joe for excellent work in DT this week, he made a great musical instrument.
Y5OH	Nekendor for being on task all week this week! She has had a great start to the new term and has such a positive attitude!	Muhammed T for working very hard in our two page spread in Geography on the Grand Canyon this week. Well done.
Y5OK	Elizabeth for just being perfect.	George for persevering and working so hard on his maths perimeter work.
Y5H	Jayden for having an excellent start to the term and always having a positive attitude.	Zac for supporting children on his table and being an excellent role model for the class.
Y6F	Faye for trying her best in everything she does	Konor for getting really involved in our WW2 day, bringing in sources and wearing the clothes
Y6H	Kian has demonstrated some excellent behaviour in class this week and I am really proud of him!	Dayton for giving lots of brilliant answers in Guided Reading, and having excellent vocabulary skills.
Y6S	Finnlay for his wonderful contribution to our WW2 day, his knowledge surrounding the topic is brilliant, and he has shared lots of information with us all.	Alfie for his amazing maths skills this week, he has put 100% effort into his maths work on multiplying decimals.

Headteacher's Awards:

Sofia in Nursery for being able to tell me that a six sided shape is a hexagon and a circle has no corners!

Hepzibah and Julia in 2L for great maths work, partner work and resilience in maths.

Oliver in 3M for great writing.

Billy in 6S for amazing multiplication and division of decimals.

Aidan in 6H for being so enthusiastic about the World War 2 topic and bringing in artefacts to share with the class.

Millionaire Reader

We have another two millionaire readers! Well done to **Emmanuella in 4RW** and **Wiktoria in 6F** for this tremendous achievement. We are very proud of them.

Attendance

Whole school attendance this week is 97.2% which is really pleasing and where we hope to keep it. The best classes for attendance this week are 5OH and 6S with an incredible 100%. Well done to them!

Uniform

Most of our children look really smart in their correct school uniform. May I remind you that school uniform is black or charcoal trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore; a blue polo shirt; and a blue school cardigan or jumper. Black shoes (not trainers or boots) should be worn.

For PE, the children must wear a plain white, round neck t-shirt with black shorts and plain black pumps. As children are still coming into school in their PE kits, they may wear black or grey leggings / tracksuit bottoms and a black or grey sweatshirt. Trainers must be black. The children should not have any logos on their PE kit.

If children are not wearing the correct uniform, we will ask them to change into spare kits that we have in school. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Chess

Mr Willis has been running a chess club after school for some of our children. The final was played today between **Harry in Year 6** and **Ivy in Year 4**. It was a very exciting game and Ivy was victorious. Well done to both our finalists.

Covid 19

Covid restrictions were changed by the government again this week.

If you come into school at all, even to our reception desk, you **must wear a face covering** unless you are exempt from doing so. If you are coming into school for any scheduled visits (e.g meetings or assemblies), you will be required to take a lateral flow test and show us proof of a negative result. If you come into contact with anyone who tests positive with Covid, you should do daily lateral flow tests for seven days. If you are not

Please remember that if your child develops a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or their sense of smell or taste changes, they need to take a PCR test. Your child only has to be displaying one of the three symptoms. They should not be sent into school until they have a negative PCR test or they have completed their isolation period. Children will still be sent home from school if they are displaying any of these symptoms. There are many more symptoms that children display when Covid positive, so if your child is unwell we would recommend a lateral flow test or PCR.

We will send you a 'Warn and Inform' letter should someone in your child's class test positive for Covid.

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Parents Sessions

All parents of children in Year 4 are invited in to an information session about the multiplication tables check which your children will complete in June. The expectation is that all children in Year 4 know all their times tables up to 12x12.

There will be a choice of two sessions on Wednesday 19th January at 9am and 2.45 pm. You only need to attend one of them. Due to current Covid infection rates, you will be required to wear a mask and provide evidence of a negative lateral flow test to attend

Support

As a school we are here to support your child academically, spiritually and emotionally, but we are not just here for the children. We are a community and if you are in need of any support, any support at all - this could be food or clothing – you must contact us at school. We may be able to help you and will not make judgements. If we cannot help you, we know of many agencies that can offer support including our own church. Please contact Mrs Sylvester for a discrete conversation if you require support.

Upcoming dates

Wednesday 19th January 9.10am and 2.45pm – Multiplication Check information session for Year 4 parents.

Sunday 30th January 10.30am – Family Mass

Monday 31st January – Year 1S class assembly 2.45pm. (Masks and proof of a negative lateral flow test will be required).

I think that the children are quite tired after a busy first week back at school. Enjoy the weekend and we will see you all on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mrs Howe.