

ST CLARE'S R.C.P NEWSLETTER

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

Friday 14th May 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

There has been another great week of learning here at St Clare's. Nursery have been having fun reading 'Dinosaurs love underpants.' They have designed their own underpants and made dinosaurs. Year 1, in keeping with their Brazilian topic, have made a collage of rainforest animals. It has been a very special week for our Year 3 pupils as they completed the Sacrament of Reconciliation in church. Year 5 pupils are studying the Sacrament of Marriage as part of their RE topic and how been discussing how to bring children up in the Catholic faith. Year 6 have made some great World War II newspaper reports on the computer inserting real photographs of scenes into the report.

Assembly

This week, the children in Year 3S led our assembly about May being the special month dedicated to Mary. They reminded us about the Holy Rosary and some significant facts about Our Lady. Thank you Year 3S!

Religious life

On Tuesday, the children from our Year 3 classes celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They were all extremely reverent throughout the service and we were very proud of them. We would like to thank Father Jeremiah, Father Darius and Father Jesmond for their support and guidance throughout the service. Also, on Thursday the whole school celebrated the feast of the Ascension and our Year 6 pupils joined Father Jeremiah in church. Hopefully, it won't be too long until we can return to Mass as a school and I will get to hear the infamous St Clare's singing!

Happy Eid to our Muslim families.

Children's certificates

14/5/21	Pupil of the week	Achievement
N	Anna for trying hard in all that she does.	Saffron for excellent measuring and number writing in the maths area. Curtis - brilliant effort with his name writing.
RH	Logan for going up to the next book band	Tyley for making a much bigger effort to have a go during phonic and independent writing activities.
RC	Tanatswa for settling in so well in her new class.	Osamagbe for showing a can do attitude, even when it gets a little bit difficult.
Y1S	Julia for consistently producing beautifully presented work every single day.	Joris for improving his handwriting so much in the space of just one lesson!

Y1D	Shae for always working hard, being super sensible, and always being ready to learn on the carpet.	Sofia for her fantastic subtraction work.
Y2M	Poppy for her hard work and dedication to improving her writing skills.	Daniella for having a positive attitude towards learning and self- improvement.
Y2S	Panashe for making a great start to St Clare's by trying her best in every lesson!	Nadia for great writing about Florence Nightingale in literacy this week.
Y3M	Elano for joining in enthusiastically in history.	Emily for trying really hard in her maths work. Well done!
Y3S	Abigail for her extra hard efforts with her spellings across all subjects. Very pleasing to see this!	Charlotte for her kind and friendly nature to all children in the classroom.
Y4RW	Oliver for a fantastic effort with his writing this week, remembering to use all his punctuation and an amazing variety of interesting vocabulary.	Mason for a fantastic start to our new maths topic on time, demonstrating his understanding and helping the class during discussions.
Y4B	Leo for consistently working hard in all subjects and trying to improve his work and become even better! He always takes time to edit work and ask if unsure, but also uses his own initiative to see if he can solve problems before asking. Leo is an enthusiastic reader too. Well done Leo!	Paris has taken on all feedback that has been given to her this half term and is challenging herself constantly! Paris has stopped chatting in class, has become really focused and is taking the time and effort to make her writing as good as it can be instead of rushing it. Well done Paris :)
Y5OH	Lee for being so thoughtful and helpful to his fellow peers. Lee is like a mini teacher in the class!	Lincoln for writing a brilliant narrative and getting on amazingly in his maths after missing some days of school during our difficult topics. Well done.
Y5OK	Freya because she always works extremely hard and tries her best in everything. She has lovely manners and is always kind and thoughtful.	Ayla Rose for persevering with some difficult and challenging maths work. She never gives up and keeps challenging herself which is wonderful to see.
Y5L	Jacob has been a star the last couple of weeks, he is utilizing any spare time in class to read and getting on with work without being asked.	Kian as he wrote a brilliant setting description and is developing great writing skills, due to his engagement in lessons and the effort he is putting in to use all the resources available, such as word mats and the working wall.
Y6F	Oliver as he has really shown me what he can do if he tries his best this week, keep it up!	Callum for writing a fantastic WW2 narrative
Y6H	Sam for always behaving so perfectly.	Maja for having amazing, speedy reactions on the rounders' pitch.
Y6D	Javae for having a much more positive attitude towards his learning and giving 100% during lessons.	Khianna for fantastic writing in her WW2 narrative!

We know that we have a school full of talented and unique children. Well done to you all!

Headteacher awards this week go to:

Yoel (1S) for working so hard and impressing his teacher.

Indie (2M) for her great contribution to life at St Clare's.

Jasmine (3M) for making a great bird fact file.

Ollie (4RW) for his positive, can do attitude.

Mariam (5L) for always having a smile on her face which cheers everyone up.

Attendance

This week, our whole school attendance is 96.6%. We need to work on this, so that we reach the 97% target. 6D, for a second week, have reached 100% full attendance. Well done – that's a great achievement!

Important Covid information

Please do NOT send your child to school if they are showing any of the three main symptoms of Coronavirus – a new cough, a temperature or changes to their sense of taste or smell. Please arrange to take your child for a PCR test. Lateral flow tests are designed for asymptomatic cases – where the person is not showing any of the main Covid symptoms, so should NOT be used if your child displays symptoms. We know how frustrating it is if your child has to be sent home with a cough, but we have to follow the national guidelines to help protect our school community. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

If your child develops any Covid symptoms out of school hours, please notify us on the dedicated email: covidpositive@st-clares.manchester.sch.uk It is really important that you do this immediately, as we may have to notify other children of the need to isolate. We rely on your honesty with this information, so that we can protect our school community and help stop the spread of Covid 19.

As you know, some restrictions are being lifted on Monday 17th May. As a school we must continue adhere to hand hygiene, social distancing and health and safety requirements. Nothing has changed in our risk assessment. You may find the following link useful in reminding you what measures will change from Monday [\(COVID-19\) Coronavirus restrictions: what you can and cannot do.](#)

School Photographs

A photographer is booked for Monday 17th May to take the children's individual photographs. If your child has PE that day, please send them into school in their school uniform with their PE kit in a bag.

Half Term

Just a reminder that we finish for half-term next Friday 21st May for two weeks. We finish at the normal time of 3.00pm or 3.15pm. School will re-open on Monday 7th June.

School Uniform

School uniform helps to unite us as a school community. I know that some parents had trouble during lockdown in purchasing school uniform. Hopefully, now that the shops have re-opened, the issues have been resolved. School uniform for boys is black or charcoal grey trousers or tailored shorts; a blue polo shirt and a blue school jumper. For girls, the uniform consists of a black or charcoal grey skirt, pinafore or school trousers; a blue polo shirt; and a blue school cardigan. For PE, the children should be wearing plain white t-shirts, black shorts (or leggings / tracksuit bottoms if outside) and black pumps or trainers if outside. As PE is currently being done outside, the children may wear a black or grey jumper / sweatshirt. There should not be any logos on any clothing worn. Flat black shoes, not boots, should also be worn as part of the uniform.

Parking

Can I ask everyone who comes to school in a car to ensure that you park safely and legally. I have received a call from a very anxious parent, whose child was nearly hit by a car, which had mounted the pavement to park. I know that quite often parents are in a rush to get to work, but nobody would want to be responsible for injuring another person or child. Please park away from school and walk the remainder of the way.

Thank you for your continued support and I hope that you have a great weekend,

Mrs Howe