

ST CLARE'S R.C.P NEWSLETTER

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

Friday 18th June 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope that you are all well, enjoying the good weather and the Euros. I'm sure that we all can't wait for tonight's match against Scotland.

Whilst the competition is progressing, our children have been busy with their learning. Our Reception children have been learning about space, the moon and craters. They have enjoyed making their own UFOs from paper plates. Year 2 have been learning to tell the time and have managed really well and many are telling the time to the nearest five minutes. Electricity is the topic in Year 4. They have looked at the different sources of power and identified objects that are mains or battery operated. After looking at holiday brochures, Year 6 have been creating their ideal holiday in South America.

Assembly

"The Kingdom of God is like a seed sown in the ground." **Mark 4: 26 – 34**

In this week's assembly, we looked at some of Jesus' descriptions of the Kingdom of God in Mark's Gospel. Jesus says the Kingdom of God will grow all over the world, and we have a part to play in that. We can work towards the Kingdom of God by being welcoming towards others. This week is also **Refugee Week 2021**, the theme of which is '**We Cannot Walk Alone**'. The assembly encouraged children to work towards God's Kingdom on earth through walking alongside those who most need welcome, love and compassion.

Children's certificates

	Pupil of the week	Achievement
N	Emiley for always making good choices and being a super member of our nursery.	Finley and Murtada for excellent effort with writing their names.
RH	Evie for being a lovely and thoughtful friend.	Amelia for beautiful letter formation.
RC	Ralph for trying so very hard to complete the rainbow challenges each week.	Elizabeth for trying really hard with her writing by using her Fred fingers.
Y1S	Phoebe for being an amazing speller every single day. I rarely have to correct any spellings in her books and it is clear how much reading she does!	Jenson as he has produced some super maths work this week when working with number sentences.
Y1D	Dale for working hard with his numeracy.	Isla for always trying hard with your work.

Y2M	Samuel for being kind and empathetic towards others.	Sharon for her continuous hard work and dedication to making progress in all areas of her learning.
Y2S	Jayden for always trying his best and setting a good example to others.	Ollie for completing some fantastic maths work when learning to tell the time this week.
Y3M	Orlaigh for always trying her best and always doing the right thing in class. Well done, Orlaigh.	Alfie for working really hard on solving direction problems, listening carefully and applying feedback to his work. Well done, Alfie
Y3S	Jaxon for his hard work, energy and enthusiasm with his daily work. Always a happy smile and excellent manners!	Noah for his friendly nature in the classroom and all his hard efforts each and every day. Keep it up Noah!
Y4RW	Oliver for impressing me with his fantastic attitude towards school this week. Oliver has worked extremely hard, challenging himself in every lesson to improve his work and attempt more difficult challenges.	Lily for her fantastic work when looking at coordinates this week, every activity I have given her she has put in 100% effort and has produced fantastic work as well as helping other children around her.
Y4B	Ella for being enthusiastic about online learning, trying her best with work and attending all online meetings. She has even done some of her own extra work using Alan Peat sentences. Well done Ella for setting a good example and being independent and positive!	Grace AI for taking my advice on board and correcting some of her Maths work. After re-watching the video, looking at some more examples and having another go, Grace got all of her questions right! Well done.
Y5OH	Alfie who has been doing amazing in his maths this week, putting so much effort into his work.	Pierce for his amazing effort and team work in our CITC ICT programme.
Y5OK	Finley for really trying hard in all his lessons, contributing massively to class discussions and really engaging with his learning.	Vinny for making a fantastic start on his non-chronological report this week - his handwriting is beautiful and he has made a real effort to write consistently like this.
Y5L	Mariatu for always trying her best in everything she does.	Mariam for a brilliant introduction to her non-chronological report.
Y6F	Joshua as he is a fantastic pupil to have in the classroom and an excellent role model to his peers	Omose's writing outstands me every week with her vocabulary she uses
Y6H	Dylan for always being so helpful around the classroom.	Chloe for putting so much effort into working from home this week.
Y6D	All of 6D for being so helpful with the classroom move. They handled it so maturely and sensibly and made the whole transition so much easier!	Alesha for a fantastic persuasive letter. It was a pleasure to read!

Headteacher's awards this week go to:

Alex in Reception for great progress in his writing and writing a brilliant space story.

Pheobe in Y1D for partitioning numbers so well in maths.

Isla in Y1S for a marvellous story which she shared with me.

Jeremiah in Y3M for generating lots of good vocabulary in lessons.

Jakub in Y5L for his super non-chronological report on peacocks.

Ashley in Y6F for amazing reading minutes on Accelerated Reader.

We have hit a St Clare's milestone this week as we have our first ever FIVE MILLION WORDS reader. Racheal in Y6H is the first pupil to ever to read over 5 million words in a year and we are immensely proud of her. There is no stopping her as she is now aiming for 6 million!

We are so very lucky to have such talented and hard-working children.

Attendance

This week, our whole school attendance is lower than we would want and below our expectations at 93.8%. The class with the best attendance this week is 4RW with 98.1%. Well done to them.

Class 4RW have also been swimming for the past two weeks (in the absence of 4B) and have made such an impact on the swimming staff that staff had tears in their eyes as they said goodbye to 4RW. We know that we have wonderful children here at St Clare's, but it's lovely to have their uniqueness recognised by others too.

Important Covid information

As cases of Covid 19 continue to rise in Manchester, we need to remain vigilant. If your child displays ANY of the three main symptoms of Covid – a new cough, a temperature or changes to their sense of taste or smell - please arrange to take them for a PCR test and do NOT bring them into school. 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.

School Uniform

It is important that your child attends school wearing the correct uniform. 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.

New Nursery and Reception parents' meeting.

Due to restrictions still being in place, we are not permitted to go ahead with the meeting in school as planned. The events will now be recorded and shared with new parents via our website. If there are any questions after watching the recording, please get in touch.

Holy Communion

Children in Year 3 begin making the Sacrament of Holy Communion next Sunday 27th June. There will be celebration masses over the following three weekends too as Father tries to fit all the children in under the current restrictions.

I hope that you all enjoy the weekend break and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday morning.

Take care,

Mrs Howe