

ST CLARE’S R.C.P NEWSLETTER

Our School Mission Statement: Guided by Jesus Christ, our teacher, we journey together learning to dream, believe and achieve. Friday 4th October 2024

Friday 24th November 2023

First of all, a very big thank you to you all for the amazing support at our Macmillan coffee morning last week. We raised an **astonishing £786.48.** That is the most that we have raised for the charity. Our Year 6 hosted the event magnificently.

In Nursery, our pupils have been discussing their facial features and they then painted their own face. Reception have been learning about parts of our body and how we should be happy in our own skin. They discussed how we are all different and loved equally by God. In science, Year 1 have been learning about the five senses: they tasted and described different foods. In Year 2, the children made a shield for Traction Man so that they could write suitable instructions about it. Year 3 have been testing rocks for their permeability. In science, Year 4 have been investigating the effects of different liquids on our teeth by submerging eggs into the liquids. Year 5 have been investigating the solubility of different materials. In geography, Year 6 have been looking at the local area in terms of services available. They have used digi-maps to plan directions to them.

**Mass**

This week, we celebrated a whole school Mass in honour of St Francis and St Clare. As always, the children were beautifully behaved, reverent and sang their hearts out. Thank you to Father Jeremiah for leading us in this special celebration and for everyone who joined us at mass.

**Assembly**

On Monday 3F will be doing their class assembly to which you are invited. It should start at 9am.

On Tuesday, class 2C are also doing their class assembly at 2.30pm. You are welcome to join us.

**Sacramental Programme**

The parish team have asked that we remind you to return your registration forms for this year’s programme **by this Sunday 6th October**.

**Chapel / prayer garden**

Our chapel / KS2 prayer garden is open each Tuesday morning before school for staff, pupils and parents to come and pray privately. Starting the day with God is beautiful. You are very welcome to pop in from 8.15am each Tuesday.

**Pupil certificates**

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|  | Pupil of the week | Achievement |
| N | Ronnie for settling beautifully into Nursery and now coming in with a big smile on his face! | Luna for painting an amazing self-portrait! |
| RDM | Charlotte - always being ready to learn and setting a great example | Layla-Mae for fantastic phonics this week. |
| RS | Mila for her great attitude to learning all week! | K’cey for forming the K correctly in her name independently! |
| Y1G | Rosie for always being ready, respectful and safe. | Anaya for beautiful handwriting on the line. |
| Y1S | Arwyn for always making the right choices, following our school rules and being a great role model to all. | Mia for fantastic work in maths using part whole models. |
| Y2C | Talia for always being ready, respectful and safe | Annie Rose for beautiful handwriting |
| Y2D | Victor for working hard and staying focused. | Nellie for designing and making an amazing shield. |
| Y3F | Pablo for having an amazing week, trying his best in everything he does. Keep it up! | Pixie for being an amazing reader, she is so excited to tell us how much she has read the night before. I love her enthusiasm for reading. |
| Y3H | Rehoboth for working very hard independently | Louie for meeting all of the success criteria to write a narrative |
| Y4H | Isla for always behaving beautifully and being a good role model. | Leah for trying really hard in maths, and really impressing me with her addition and subtraction work. |
| Y4O | Kian for always putting 100% into lessons, especially music! | Tyler for delivering a super speech to the rest of the class in English! |
| Y5G | Jeffrey for always being a good role model to others and for a fantastic positive attitude this week! | Bradley for excellent focus this week and super problem solving using addition and subtraction. |
| Y5K | James for some wonderful work in all subjects this week! | Arwaa for some brilliant efforts and results in her Maths work this week! |
| Y6S | Tianna for planning a lovely prayer and liturgy lesson based on international languages day. | Oliver K for a fantastic informal letter in English. |
| Y6W | Miley for her fantastic progress in reading and arithmetic this week. | Harry for an impressive increase in his arithmetic score this week. |

**Headteacher awards**

Pearl in Nursery for beautiful manners.

Romeo in 1G for always using his Fred fingers to spell.

Jayson in 1S for sharing his extensive knowledge of flags with me.

Olivia G for always being ready to learn and following our school rules so well.

Grace T for looking after the classroom environment so well.

Harry in 5G for showing great patience and kindness to others and being a super role model to others.

Lilly for settling back into St Clare’s so well.

**Caritas Award**

The Caritas is awarded each week in recognition of someone in school who has shown kindness to others by putting love into action. This week the award goes to Bonnie in Year 1 for being a fantastic friend to others and looking out for children in the class.

**Attendance**

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Whole school attendance this week is 94.8%. Best attendance this week is class 1S with 100% which is brilliant. They will have an own clothes day next Friday and each receive a dough-nut.

I can not stress enough the importance of your child being in school every day on time. Doors open at 8.40am for a prompt 8.45am start. Thank you to everyone who brings their child to school on time. We did however, have 59 pupils who were late 67 times this week. We also had 12 pupils who were late 14 times after the register had closed. This level of punctuality is not acceptable. We appreciate that a family may be experiencing difficulties and there may be a reason for the lateness. If you are in need of support, please contact Mrs Burgess Hamlett.

**Half-term**

I just want to point out that our half term holiday in October begins **Monday 28th October**. This is different to some of the Manchester schools’ half-term, but falls in line with Our Lady’s second week of the holiday.

**Blessing of the animals**

To coincide with the feast of St Francis, there will be a blessing of the animals at St Clare’s parish hall tonight at 6pm. Father Jeremiah invites you to bring your pets along to this special event.

**Support**

As a school we are here for both your children and your family. If you are experiencing any difficulties or have any anxieties, please get in touch with Mrs Sylvester for a private conversation. Her email address is [c.sylvester@st-clares.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:c.sylvester@st-clares.manchester.sch.uk) or you can ring the school number or message via the school app. If we are unable to help you, we may be able to refer you to somebody who can.

**Safeguarding**

Safeguarding children is everyone’s responsibility. If you have any concerns regarding the safety of a child, please report it. You are able to refer concerns directly or you can contact one of the Designated Safeguarding Leads in school. Contact details can be found below.



I hope that you have a relaxing, peaceful weekend,

Mrs Howe

**Upcoming dates:**

4th October – Blessing of the animals 6pm in the parish hall.

13th October – Family Mass 10.30am

19th October – Sacramental Programme meeting

23rd October – Harvest Service in church 9am

23rd October – parents evening 3.30 -7pm