

ST CLARE'S R.C.P NEWSLETTER

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

Friday 9th October 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

Mass

We shared another wonderful Mass on Monday to celebrate the feast of St Francis. Thank you to our church family for facilitating this, to Racheal who read beautifully and to all the children who participated reverently. It's vital that we maintain links with our church during these unprecedented times.

Assembly

"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."

In our assembly this week, the children reflected on Matthew's Gospel. 21: 33 – 43. Like many people today, Jesus faced rejection. Often, those who find themselves on the outside of society are weak or vulnerable and it is in these people that Jesus calls us to see the face of Christ.

Awards

The children have been working really hard in school and their teachers have chosen some to receive their Pupil of the Week certificate and the Achievement award. This week's children are:

9/10/20	Pupil of the week	Achievement
N	Akongwi for some excellent self directed learning this week!	Julia for developing and practicing, using her language to communicate her thoughts and ideas to others. Emiley for some excellent mark making this week, what an artist!
RH	Tyler for always being a good listener and behaving beautifully during Mass	Avayah for some super discussion about our 5 senses
RC	Nylah for settling into her new class so well!	Henry for moving on to set 2 words so quickly!
Y1S	Eunice as she is always trying her best, and sings so beautifully and has always got a smile on her face.	Jenson for really improving on his behaviour and making sensible choices this week.
Y1D	Shae for always being ready to learn and setting a good example on the carpet.	Annie for trying hard with the writing challenge this week and using your phonics to sound out words.
Y2M	Akeem for being sensible and a good role model to others.	Blessing for working hard on her traction man shield in DT.
Y2S	Aliyah for always doing the right thing and being a good friend to others	Sam for his excellent reading of new sounds during read, write, inc this week
Y3M	Orlaigh for being a fantastic friend and a role model for amazing behaviour.	Elano for outstanding maths work and being really confident in subtraction

Y3S	Daniel for always doing the right thing, his behaviour is impeccable and he puts 100% effort into everything that he does.	Megan for her fantastic effort made in numeracy this week.
Y4RW	Jayden for putting 100% effort into everything he does, always wanting to improve in his work.	Sienna for a fantastic week working extremely hard, never giving up and proving to herself that she could do maths work that she thought she was unable to at first.
Y4B	Riley as he is a pleasure to have in 4B; he is always kind and polite to both staff and peers and he always does the right thing. Riley always listens to instructions, producing lots of lovely thoughtful work.	Ethan as he has had a brilliant couple of weeks in maths and is also trying really hard with his spellings - I am very impressed by his progress and how much he has started to challenge himself.
Y5OH	Harry who is always taking part in discussions and tries extremely hard in everything he does	Brooke who has been doing fantastic in her maths.
Y5OK	Konor for always having impeccable manners and for always being determined to achieve his best in every lesson.	Lily-Paige for having a great growth mindset towards some challenging problem solving in maths which enabled her to persevere and complete the problems.
Y5L	Mariatu is very quiet, but always tries her best to answer questions asked by her teacher. She listens carefully, follows the golden rules and is a great role model to her peers.	Tia for making tremendous effort to ensure her homework is completed each week and I know this is something she is proud of.
Y6F	Omore for a great powerpoint on Charles Darwin – working beyond expectations.	Whole class for coping so well and engaging with the remote learning.
Y6H	Sam for always getting on well with his work and trying his best.	Maja for being an incredible mathematician!
Y6D	Lily for always being so kind and considerate to others.	Thomas for pushing himself and striving to use a wider range of punctuation in his writing.

Headteacher's Awards this week go to Racheal in Year 6 for reading so well at Mass; Joshua and Jeremiah (Year 6) for accessing the Mass remotely and Isla (Year 4) for being so sensible and mature when a friend needed her help.

Well done to all of the children – keep being amazing.

Attendance

Whole school attendance for this week is 96.4%.

If your child is well, please ensure that they attend school and arrive on time. Many months of teaching time were lost last year and teachers are working extremely hard to recover some of the lost time. Children need to be in school to benefit from this.

The class with the highest attendance this week is **Year 1D** with 98.7%. Well done to all the children and families in Y1D.

Covid 19

As you are all aware, we had our first confirmed case of Covid 19 this week which resulted in the closure of one of our Year 6 classes. You will be pleased to learn that the child concerned is coping well. Thank you to all the families affected for your support and understanding. We all have a duty to keep each other safe. I hope that your children are engaging well with the remote learning which Mr Flint is providing. If you have any queries about the work or need any support, please contact us.

Can I also take this opportunity to remind you about the staggered start and finish times we operate. It is really important that you keep to your times and arrive no more than 5 minutes before your start time to avoid congestion and risk of infection.

Whilst on school premises, please ensure that you maintain a 2m distance from other children and their families. If you are less than 1m from an infected person for 1 minute, or 2m away from them for 15 minutes, you will be forced to self-isolate for 14 days. This means that you will not be able to leave your home. Please bear this in mind when dropping off and collecting your children.

Our Lady's High School visits

As a Catholic school we pray that your child will continue their Catholic education at a Catholic high school. I am therefore taking the opportunity to share with you dates when parents of children in Years 5 and 6 are able to visit Our Lady's for a personal tour of the school. Visits are available every day up until 16th October and available on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings between 3.30pm-6pm. If you would like to arrange a visit, please contact Miss Sally Royle on 0161 507 9640.

Parents Evening

Due to the current restrictions, parents evening will be different this year. Your child's class teacher will conduct parents evening over two nights during the week of 19th October by telephone calls. Please ensure that you have booked your appointment via the school app.

Date	Class
Monday 19th	Y1D Y1S Y3S Y3m Y4RW Y5OH Y6H
Tuesday 20 th	Nursery YRC YRH Y1D Y3S Y3M Y4RW Y5OH Y6F
Wednesday 21 st	Nursery YRC YRH Y2M Y2S Y4B Y5L Y5OK Y6D
Thursday 22 nd	Y1S Y2M Y2S Y4B Y5L Y5OK Y6D Y6F Y6h

Half-term

Remember that we finish for half-term on Friday 23rd October. Children will return to school on Wednesday 4th November.

Thank you for all your support this week. We pray that God continues to keep our school community safe.

Mrs Howe