

# ST CLARE'S R.C.P NEWSLETTER

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

Friday 8th October 2021



Dear Parents / Carers,

Another week of learning has passed here at St Clare's. Nursery have been reading about the superhero Super Tato. He had hidden a carrot in some ice and the children had fun trying to rescue the carrot! Year 1 have been creating PopArt in the style of Andy Warhol. Year 2 have been busy in maths learning fact families. Our Year 3 pupils visited the Jewish museum on Thursday as part of their study of world faiths. We live in a multi-cultural society and we teach our pupils tolerance and respect as part of our British Values. Year 4 have been arty this week: they created animal pictures using pastel colours in honour of St Francis and created a stained glass window to honour St Joseph as part of their RE family topic. In science, Year 5 have carried out an investigation to see which materials dissolve in water. Pupils in Year 6 took part in a science workshop which focused on Earth and Beyond and they linked up by Zoom to Manchester University. They asked many insightful questions and learned a lot.

## Assembly

**All things of creation are children of the Father and thus brothers of man. ... God wants us to help animals, if they need help. Every creature in distress has the same right to be protected. St Francis of Assisi**

This week, we celebrated the feast day of St Francis who has a strong connection with our school. Pupils in 6S led our assembly on Monday and told us about the life of St Francis. They focused on his love and generosity to all, especially animals. It was lovely to welcome family members in to share the assembly. On Tuesday, we celebrated a whole school Mass in church led by Father Jeremiah.

## Rosary

We would like to invite you into school **each Friday at 2.50pm during October to pray a decade of the Rosary with us.** October is the month dedicated to Our Lady and the Holy Rosary. The prayers will be led by our Mini-Clare's group. Depending on the weather, we will either be in the prayer garden or our chapel. It would be lovely to see you there!

## Pupil certificates

|    | Pupil of the week   | Achievement  |
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| RH | Mia, for settling into her new class beautifully. She has beautiful behaviour and her handwriting is even neater than mine! We are so happy to have you as a new friend in our class. | Leon, for ordering numerals from 1-20!<br>What a star! Well done Leon. |
| RC | Lewis for amazing tidying up and really trying his best on the carpet   | Peter for settling into his new class so well!                         |

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| Y1S  | Marnie for not giving up with her Maths work even though she found it tricky at first.   | Maria for producing a beautiful self portrait in the style of Andy Warhol!   |
| Y1D  | Lilith for being a great role model to the other children - kind, caring, hard-working and thoughtful.   | Henry for putting his all into everything he does and using his God given talents so well.   |
| Y2M  | Toby for having a great growth mindset and not giving up even when things are frustrating.   | Emilie for her outstanding enthusiasm towards learning in all subjects.  |
| Y2L  | Constantine for using TT Rockstars at home and for reading tricky words independently.   | Adam for fantastic effort in Maths using fact families.  |
| Y3M  | Khadijah for being a fantastic role model for the rest of the class. Her behaviour is impeccable and her attitude to learning is fantastic!  | Siam for working really hard in maths. She has smashed every learning objective we've done this week - including adding with exchanging. Well done, Siam!  |
| Y3G  | Jacob for being a good representative of St Clare's on our trip to the Jewish Museum. He was very knowledgeable, listened respectfully and answered lots of questions. Keep it up Jacob! | Cora for showing us her brilliant clay moulding skills. She made a fantastic clay model of a volcano! Well done, Cora.                                     |
| Y4RW | Kelvin for his fantastic attitude towards school this week, he always gives 100% effort in every lesson and activity.  | James for producing fantastic work in computing this week, challenging himself to create a complex algorithm with a repeating step.                        |
| Y4S  | Alfie for being a really good friend to everyone in his class and a great role model.  | Oliver T for having a brilliant week, he has been trying really hard in class and is working on his neatness and handwriting, his books are looking great! |
| Y5OH | Grace for having such a positive attitude towards her work this week, becoming more confident and creating some really impressive work!  | Tommy for doing so many quizzes this week and getting 100% in every single one. Well done  |
| Y5OK | Lily for always having a fantastic attitude towards her learning, always being ready to learn and being a wonderful role model in class.   | Praise for producing some outstanding work in RE this week, challenging herself to produce a fantastic and informative powerpoint.                         |
| Y5H  | Kasey for trying really hard in her English this week and always being helpful in class.   | Coby for producing some excellent work in English this week and for an incredible World Animal Day poster!   |
| Y6F  | Vincent C for having such a wonderful week and being a superstar in Year 6!  | Faye for being such a wonderful writer during out English lessons!   |
| Y6H  | Lucy C as she has amazing manners and tries so hard with everything she does. She is a star pupil!   | Jade P for writing an amazing narrative this week based on the Light Jar.  |
| Y6S  | Archie for his amazing maths work this week. He tried so hard with some very difficult work!   | All of 6S for their fantastic class assembly!  |

### Headteacher's Awards:

Felicity in 1D for amazing Pop Art.

Daniel in 1S for being such a helpful friend to everyone.

Jaxon in 4RW for great enthusiasm and commitment to his groups.

Elian in 5OH for great work during his science experiment.

## **Millionaire Reader**

We congratulate **Paris in 5H** for being our first millionaire reader this year. What a great achievement! She has been rewarded with a book voucher.

## **Attendance**

Whole school attendance this week has improved and is 95.1%. The class with the best attendance this week is 3G with 99.3% - a big well done to all the children! 6F have the best overall attendance to date with 97.9%

Please remember that school doors open at 8.50am to enable children to come in and be ready for a prompt start at 9.00am. Thank you to all parents who bring their children to school on time each day. If you are experiencing difficulties getting your child to school on time, please contact our Attendance Officer, Mrs Burgess Hamlett, for support and advice.

## **Covid 19**

Although many Covid restrictions have been lifted in school, we are still following the Covid guidelines set by the government. 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.

We will send you a 'Warn and Inform' letter should someone in your child's class test positive for Covid. If somebody in your family tests positive for Covid, we will encourage all family members to take a PCR test. Track and trace will notify any close contacts who may need to isolate. We want to continue to keep our school community as safe as possible. Thank you for your cooperation during these times.

## **Parents evening**

You have already been notified that the app is open for booking your parents evening slot between 3.30pm and 7.00pm. Parents evening is being held in school this year. Each family has a five minutes appointment. Should you need longer than this, you would need to arrange a separate meeting with your child's class teacher. The appointments will be in your child's classroom. Mrs O'Keefe will also be operating SEND drop in sessions throughout the evening.

## **Support**

As a school we are here to support your child academically, spiritually and emotionally. If you need any support, please contact Mrs Sylvester. Similarly, if as an adult you need any help please do not hesitate to get in touch. If we are not able to help you, we may be able to signpost you to somebody who can.

## **Manchester Youth Zone**

This charity runs a range of activities after school to support children between the ages of 8 and 11. It is totally free and the children are fed whilst they are there. It looks good fun. Please see their website for further details <https://www.manchesteryz.org/> You can register here: <https://www.manchesteryz.org/get-involved/vacancies/> It is free of charge with the promotion code: MYZMAGIC



**Dates for your diary:**

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Family Mass 10.30am

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Finish for half term 3.15pm

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October – half term

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Mass for All Saints and All Souls 9.15am

Science ambassadors trip to Chester Zoo.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Year 1 trip to Eureka.

I hope that you all have an enjoyable weekend,

Mrs Howe