

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 17/11/2023



Dear Parents & Carers,

I can't believe that the half term break was already three weeks ago! School has been so busy with all the extracurricular events including swimming, football and hockey tournaments, a remembrance service, the anti-bullying workshops and Children in Need to name but a few.

The swimming lessons have been a great success and we have settled into a good routine with children making great progress. Whilst the heater in the pool put it out of action for two days at the start of the week, I'm pleased to say it is all back up and running and we will hopefully have no further technical issues for the remainder of the time we have the pool. Please remember lessons will finish on Friday 1st December.

Our Year Six pupils who have not had an opportunity to swim are invited to bring their swimwear to school on Tuesday 28th November so they can get into the pool for an hour. This will still be overseen by the instructor, lifeguard and school staff.

We have used AmaSing as our provision in Years Five and Six for the Autumn Term whilst the teachers have time out of class for lesson planning. Feedback from pupils and parents has not been particularly positive. It is important that we respond to the feedback we get so feel that the children would benefit from precision music teaching again at this time. The school orchestra we previously had posed its own problems and generated negative feedback from children and parents. However, I am delighted to announce that we have been able to secure a contract with Music 4 Life who will be teaching instruments to the children in Years Five and Six from January. All the children will be able to experience a range of instruments over the coming terms with all pupils learning the same instrument at the same time. In Spring Term they are going to start by learning the ukelele.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend,

LC Ward

Mrs L Ward

Headteacher

Dark nights



We are no-longer allowing children to walk home at 4.30pm following an after school club so please make arrangements to have your child collected.

Our reception class Australia remembered those who have fallen.

We held a special assembly and held a minutes silence at 11am.



Pudsey Fun!



Attendance

Please can you send through reasons for pupil absences through School Spider. This will be quicker for you. Please ensure that you notify school of any changes in contact details, as we need to be able to get in touch with you at all times.

	Week Ending 10/11/2023	Week Ending 17/11/23
Australia	90%	88%
Europe	92.6%	84.75
South America	86%	89.2%
North America	97%	87.8%
Africa	90.4%	88.5%
Asia	94.5%	90.9%
Antarctica	96.5%	88.3%
Whole School	92.7%	88.5%

Unauthorised absences, including unauthorised holidays, persistent absences with no medical evidence and persistent late marks after the register has closed (after 9.20am) may occur a fine if 10 sessions (Five full school days) are missed in a term.

All absences must be reported via your School Spider App or our absence line 01244 445266, press 1 and leave child's name, your name and reason for illness.

School Spider Payments

Can you please pay any outstanding payments you may have on your School Spider account. Including:

Previous Residential Trips

After School Clubs

Swimming £15.00 (total payment)

Pantomime £12.50 (total payment)

School Lunches Taken.

School subsidise all trips, swimming and school lunches so a prompt payment is essential. Please contact the school office if you have any trouble in paying.

Sporting success

Year 3/4
Hockey
Champs



Year 5/6
Hockey
Champs



School Calendar

Tues 21st Nov:	Delamere Forest Trip -Europe Class (Year One)
Thur 23rd Nov:	Year 6—Crucial Crew Trip
Fri 25th Nov:	Year 5/6 Girls Football Event 12.30-2.45pm
Mon 27th Nov:	Catch up Rocksteady Lessons
Tue 28th Nov:	Year 5 to watch 'Annie' at Catholic High School
Mon 1st Dec:	Advent Mass 9.30am in Church U11 Football Event (Boys/Girls Mixed)
Thur 7/8/11/13 Dec:	Bikeability Year 6—PLEASE REGISTER
Tue 12th Dec:	KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal (grandparents Invited) Panto 1.30pm (Return 4.45pm approx.)
Wed 13th Dec:	KS1 Nativity Performances— 9.30am & 5.30 pm KS1 Christmas Lunch
Thur 14th Dec:	KS2 Christmas Lunch Mental Health Coffee Morning
Tue 19th Dec:	Rocksteady Concert School Hall 2.00pm
Wed 20th Dec:	KS2 Carol Service Dress Rehearsal 10.30am in Church Service in Church 6pm
Thur 21st Dec:	Last Day of Term

<u>Mon 13th May</u>	<u>SAT's Week Year 6</u>



Advent Mass

You are all warmly invited to our
**Advent Mass in Church on
Friday 1st December at 9.30am.**



Rainbow Warriors

Our Superstars from
the past two weeks!

