

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 21/09/2018



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week children in 'Africa' went to the Tattenhall residential centre for three days. They participated in a wide range of activities including mask making, pond dipping, bouldering, low ropes course, orienteering and bush craft - just to mention a few! I had the joy of spending a whole day and two



evenings with the children and was incredibly impressed with the way the children supported and encouraged each other. Even when they were singing around the campfire, they included everyone in their songs! One of our school values is 'perseverance' and the children demonstrated this in bucket loads! They rose to the challenges of the outdoor activities and were thrilled when they completed the tasks- often going back to have another go!



We have had a great start to the academic year with lots happening in school. Our celebration assemblies on Fridays are great evidence of all the great work taking place in classes. Many children are involved in lots of musical activities coming up during the next few weeks- these will wonderful occasions to celebrate our pupils' great talents. Ethan, who is in 'Africa'- Year Five is part of the cast performing *Oliver* in the Storyhouse- we are taking a group of children on Friday 12th October, in the evening to watch the performance. We have three tickets available. They are £10.50 each. Please ask in the school office if interested.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

AB Ryder

Please support the building fund letter from the Diocese. This supports the upkeep of St Clare's.

Mini Vinnie Sponsored Walk

On Sunday 30th September some of our Mini Vinnie's will join the parish SVP group in completing a sponsored walk along the Wirral Way. Mr Wilson, Miss Kelly, Miss Whitley and myself will be walking with the pupils. Families are very welcome to come along and join us....



Exciting Music Projects for St Clare's

Last week we had the pleasure of welcoming three local schools to a rehearsal with Matt Baker, in preparation for a special event taking place in Chester at the end of November. Pupils in 'South America' are preparing for a Big Sing concert which takes place in the Catholic High School on Mon 15th October.



Attendance

Each week we award a silver cup to the class with the best attendance. Last week 'Australia' and 'South America' both had 100% attendance and shared the trophy. Attendance across school has been excellent- thank you for ensuring children are in school learning.

| | week beginning 10/09/18 | week beginning 17/09/18 |
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| Australia | 100% | 96.7% |
| Europe | 99% | 95.8% |
| South America | 100% | 98.4% |
| North America | 97% | 96.3% |
| Africa | 97% | 97.3% |
| Asia | 95% | 96.6% |

Photo Consent– Please return the form to let us know if your child's photo can be included on our website and twitter. If we have no response we cannot include your child as we have not received permission.



Maths and English Courses

Courses for parents/carers are being delivered by Cheshire College. These are taking place at Lache Community Centre starting next week.

Tuesdays 9.30am - 11.30am (Maths)

Thursdays 1pm - 3pm (English)

People are welcome to turn up on the day and it's completely free with no pressure for long term commitment.

School Calendar

- Wednesday 26th September– Asia Class go to Menai Residential Centre until Friday 28th
- Sunday 30th September– Sponsored walk for SVP (Mini Vinnies)
- Tuesday 2nd October– Academy Photography in school to take Class, Family and Individual photos
- Monday 15th October – 'South America' sing at the Big Sing Concert Chester Catholic High
- Tuesday 16th/Wednesday 17th October Parents Evening 3:45pm-6:00pm
- Tuesday 16th October—Open Morning for prospective parents 9:45am
- Friday 19th October—Autumn Thanksgiving Mass 9:30am
- Trip to watch Oliver at Story House- optional
- Thursday 18th October - Big Sing Concert Chester Catholic High
- Thursday 25th October— Last day of half term for pupils
- Friday 26th October— Staff training day
- Monday 5th November — School opens for pupils
- Wednesday 7th November— 'Asia' class Mass
- Wednesday 14th November— Maths Cubic Challenge at Kings School
- Wednesday 21st November - Full Governors Meeting 6pm
- Thursday 29th November— Walk my Journey Lantern Parade in Chester—"Africa"
- Sunday 3rd December—Presentation of children preparing for Sacraments in Church
- Thursday 7th December—Curriculum and Standards governors meeting
- Tuesday 12th December—Classes One and Two Christmas Nativity
- Thursday 14th—Key Stage 2 Carol Service 6:00pm
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