

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 01/02/2019



Our School Council members are very enthusiastic! Recently, they created some helpful signs ensuring everyone knows how to play safely in the dens.

Their next challenge is to ensure everyone understands the importance of eating healthily. They are preparing a power point presentation to show all pupils, which they are hoping will motivate children to eat a balanced diet.

They meet every Monday and always amaze me with their desire to make improvements.

Last week five pupils attended a 'more able' Maths day at Newton Primary. The children met up with children from different schools and enjoyed a day exploring a wide range of Mathematical themes. They thoroughly enjoyed the experience and indeed asked for more days like that!



AB Ryder

During the week all our children in Reception have been gripped with their work on 'The Naughty Bus'- especially as the it keeps visiting their classroom and getting up to mischief! This has created a great stimulus for lots of talk, writing and great excitement. I keep being updated on what has happened next!



READING
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We have organised a course for parents to share strategies for helping develop children's early reading and writing skills. This is running every Thursday for the next five weeks.

Our Sports Ambassadors, Winnie and Marcellino attended a training day where they learnt about how to promote active life styles. I am looking forward to watching the impact of the training over the next few weeks



Snow Days

On Wednesday, we had the snow that was forecast. Some children came to school in unsuitable footwear and were unable to play outside until lunchtime. Can you please ensure your child has suitable footwear and coat on days when the weather forecast is bad. Thank You.



Attendance

Please contact school in the morning by phone if your child is going to be off school.

	week beginning 21/01/19	week beginning 27/01/19
Australia	84.6%	92.7%
Europe	97.1%	98.1%
South America	95.9%	91.6%
North America	96.9%	93.7%
Africa	93.8%	95.9%
Asia	95.5%	91.4%
Whole School	93.9%	93.8%

Last term we saw a great improvement in our attendance data. I am sure that this will have a positive impact on pupil progress. Please continue to ensure that your child's attendance is good. Pupils who have weak attendance struggle with the gaps in their knowledge and understanding.

Staff Training

On Monday, Gareth Davies from an educational company called Literacy Counts worked with the children and staff on how to get the most from their learning and teaching of reading. After school, he also led a very informative staff meeting.



Multi-skills competition

On Wednesday, some of our Year 5's and 6's went to Ellesmere Port Sports Village for an inter-school multi-skills competition.

We had some amazing individual performances, especially from the Boys and Girls relays who won their races.



School Calendar

- Sunday 10th February—First Holy Communion Enrolment Mass
- Monday 11th February- Year Five pupil to watch Grease at Queens' Park High School
- Tuesday 12th February School Saints (KS1) and Multi Faith day (KS2)
- Wednesday 13th February School Saints (KS1) and Multi Faith day (KS2)
- Wednesday 13th February High Five Netball (2.30pm-4.30pm)
- Thursday 14th February Valentine Cake Sale
- Friday 15th February last day of half term
- Half Term - Monday 18th February- Friday 22nd February
- Monday 25th February- school reopens
- Monday 25th February- Governors meeting
- Wednesday 27th February- Parents Evening
- Thursday 28th February- Parents' Evening
- Wednesday 13th March- 'North America' sing in Amasing at the Storyhouse, Chester
- Wednesday 20th March- Governor's Meeting
- Sunday 24th March- PTA teas and coffees after Mass
- Friday 29th March- Last day of Spring Term
- Monday 1st April- Friday 12th April- Spring Term Holiday
- Monday 15th April- First day of Summer Term
- Thursday 18th April- First Forgiveness
- Friday 19th April- School closed—Good Friday
- Monday 22nd April- School Closed- Easter Monday
- Tuesday 23rd April- School reopens
- Tuesday 7th May- 'North America' residential trip to Delamere Centre
- Monday 13th May- Thursday 16th May- KS2 statutory assessment tests
- Monday 20th May- Healthy Schools Week
- Friday 24th May- Sports Day, last day of term.
- Monday 27th May- Friday 31st May- School closed for half term