

# St Clare's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter 15/02/2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach half way through the academic year, we need to take time to celebrate all the wonderful successes and achievements the children have experienced so far this year. Thank you for all your support in ensuring that we have strong partnerships between home and school. In the first week back after half after half term we are holding parents evenings on Wednesday and Thursday, please see the slips which have been sent home your child's class teacher. This week our pupils in Year Five went to Queens Park High School to watch a performance of *Grease the Musical*. They had a lovely time and thoroughly enjoyed the event.

Huge thanks to all the kind parents and carers who gave up their time to bake cakes for our Valentine cake sale. We had a wonderful collection of cakes and lots of very excited children! The event raised £180 which go towards new reading books for our pupils to enjoy.

I hope you all have a wonderful Half term holiday. School will reopen on Monday 25th February. School Dinners will be Week 2 when we return.

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### Multi Faith and Saints Days

On Tuesday and Wednesday pupils in Reception and Key Stage One joined into their house teams to research their 'house saints'- St Bernadette, St Mother Teresa of Calcutta, St Oscar Romero and St Maximillian Kolbe. They had a wonderful time working with their friends from other classes and finding out lots of interesting information. They also enjoyed a wide range of creative activities.



Meanwhile pupils in Key Stage Two were learning about other faiths: Christianity, Judaism and Islam. There was a buzz around school as children were fascinated by all the new knowledge they were gaining. On Wednesday afternoon children presented their work from to each other. It was a wonderful project within school and the children were very enthusiastic and highly motivated.



### Netball Tournament

On Wednesday our netball team went to Blacon High School to take part in a tournament. St Clare's won their matches with Belgrave, Upton Westlea, Cherry Grove and St Werburgh's, but then lost to Guilden Sutton. The team got through to the semi-finals and with twenty seconds to go, were on their way to the final when the match was turned around and they lost 3-2. Although disappointed at the end, the children thoroughly enjoyed the tournament, especially some of the big wins. Thank you to Mr Wright and Miss Bradley for leading our PE curriculum, including preparing the team for the event.



## Attendance

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

	week beginning 04 /02/19	week beginning 11/02/19
Australia	98.1%	97.3%
Europe	89.8%	95.0%
South America	97.3%	99.2%
North America	94.6%	<b>100 %</b>
Africa	98.1%	97.2%
Asia	90.3%	95.5%
Whole School	94.9%	97.7%

Our target is for school attendance to be above 96%. Please ensure that your child is in school on time everyday. This term we have seen an improvement in attendance figures which will have a very positive impact on learning. If your child is going to be off school, it is important that you inform the school office .

## School Website

Recently it has been brought to my attention that some families are still using our old school website. Last year we changed our website. Please access our new school website on :

<http://www.stclares.cheshire.sch.uk>

## End of term reward

This week pupils enjoyed a visit from Mr Dewsnap who led a presentation about owls and brought some owls into school for the children to see. The children had a wonderful time and after the workshops completed some wonderful writing. Mr Dewsnap commented on how wonderfully engaged the were. He was amazed with the Reception children in particular and how much they knew about birds already.



## School Calendar

- 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 27h May- Friday 31st May- School closed for half term

## Half Term in Lache

**Tuesday 19th (11am-12pm) Diddy Dance in Lache Community.**

**(11am-2pm) Chester FC Multi Sports Day at Lache Community Centre.**

**Wednesday 20th (3-5pm) X box and mobile climbing wall on Sycamore Field.**

**Friday 22nd (10am) Family Creative Dance at Lache Community Centre.**