

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 10/05/2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

This is a very busy time of year, particularly with end of Key Stage One and Two assessments. Next week Year Six pupils will complete the Statutory Assessment Tests. Monday is spelling, punctuation and grammar, Tuesday is a reading paper and then on Wednesday and Thursday the children will complete three Maths papers. Please help the children by ensuring they have a good night's sleep and are in school in good time. Year Six pupils are invited into school from 8:30am so that they can have breakfast with their friends in the Key Stage Two learning hub.

Throughout the month of May, each lunchtime a group of children from Key Stage Two, staff and/or governors will meet at 1pm to pray a decade of the Rosary. Since this has started, the children who have attended have been incredibly prayerful and reflective. Can you please return your 'Missio' boxes to school, we are eager to calculate how much you have all raised.

As the weather gradually becomes warmer children are more likely to take jumpers and cardigans off. It would be really helpful if you could make sure that all items of school uniform are labelled.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Mini Vinnies

Last Friday 3rd May the children in the Mini Vinnies, organised and ran a cake sale within school. They all worked together to ensure that there were enough cakes for everyone. The event was a huge success and raised £65. Thank you to all parents/carers who generously donated some amazing cakes for the event. Thanks to Miss Kelly and Miss Whitley for supporting the children.



School Uniform

We have got a selection of different sized, white, school T Shirts with the school logo on which are brand new. Each T shirt is £5:50. Please visit the school office if you are interested.



Gardening Club

Our gardening club has been very busy. Thank you to all who have supported the sale of plants, hanging baskets and planters. Please feel free to come along to the daily plant sale to see what wonderful bargains there are!



Sport at St Clare's

Our Year Three/Four football team welcomed St Oswald's to St. Clare's. Thank you to all the parents/carers who came along to support the children. It was a great game of football with lots of wonderful skills on display; both teams played well however St Oswald's went away with a win.



Our sports coach, Mr Wright, took two cricket teams to Christleton Cricket club on Wednesday for a 'Diamond Cricket' festival. This game is best described as a mix between rounders and cricket! The organisers were very impressed with how enthusiastic the pupils were and how engaged they were within the games. For a number of the children this was the first time they had represented school on a sports team. They reported back at school that they "loved the experience!"

On Thursday our hockey team went to a tournament at Deeside Ramblers- Oliver B, Oliver I, Miley, Mia, Emma, Krzysztof, George, Julia, Lillie, Emily and Harry played in teams against other primary schools and the results were collated. The children were delighted when they found out that St Clare's had won the event overall. Each player received a lovely medal and I have heard that the trophy is on the way! Thank you to Mr Wright, Miss Bradley and the parents who helped with transport. It was a wonderful experience for all the children.

Attendance

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

	week beginning	week beginning
	29/04/19	06/05/19
Australia	95.2 %	94.4 %
Europe	93.0 %	95.7 %
South America	96.9 %	93.8 %
North America	100 %	97.4 %
Africa	95.9 %	95.7 %
Asia	96.2 %	94.8 %
Whole School	96.3 %	95.3 %

Please ensure your child is in school on time. It is important that your child has at least 96% attendance- absences causes children to have gaps in their knowledge and understanding.

Brownies

One of our midday assistants, Kerry, runs our local Brownie pack and has shared her concern about the decreasing numbers of girls in the group. The Brownies creates a great opportunity for girls to make new friends, learn lots of new skills, whilst learning about the environment and how we can care for it. Many adults have fond memories of gaining badges and awards through groups like the Brownies and this has impacted on the careers they have chosen.

The local Brownie group runs every Monday night at St Mark's Church 6pm-7:30pm. If you have a daughter between the ages of 7 and 10 years of age, they are welcome to go along and see what happens. If you require more information please contact Kerry on 07969763611

Glan Aber Tennis Club Open Day

Saturday 15th May 2-5pm CH4 8JQ. You are all invited to this event. One of the coaches, Tomas, is teaching tennis skills in St Clare's currently. He has said that there are funding opportunities available.

School Calendar

- **Monday 13th May- Thursday 16th May- KS2 statutory assessment tests for all Year Six pupils**
- **Monday 20th May- Healthy Schools Week**
- **Thurs 23rd May—Yr5/6 Quad Kids 1-4.30pm**
- **Friday 24th May- Sports Day**
- **Monday 27th May- Friday 31st May- School closed for half term**
- **Thursday 6th June- Year Five Curriculum Challenge Day at Queens Park High School**
- **Sunday 9th June- First Holy Communion**
- **Monday 10th June- Year One Phonics screening begins**
- **Wednesday 12th June- Year 5/6 Cricket Tournament**
- **Tuesday 18th June- Year Five Challenge Day Chester Catholic High School**
- **Yr 5/6 Rounders Tournament- Bishops High School 3:30pm**
- **Sunday 23rd June- PTA teas and coffees after Mass.**
- **Friday 28th June- St Peter and St Paul- Mass in Church 9:30am**
- **Monday 1st July—Year 6 Bikeability**
- **Tuesday 2nd July- Transition day in school**
- **Friday 19th July- Last day of term**

Delamere Residential

On Tuesday children in 'North America' went to Delamere for a one night residential. The children had a wonderful time participating in a wide range of exciting activities including jungle survival, orienteering and pond dipping. They had great fun toasting marshmallows in a campfire and enjoyed singing many funny songs! The staff at the centre commented on the teamwork demonstrated by all the children who were very supportive of each other throughout the adventure.