

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 07/06/2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

This weekend we are celebrating:

Izabella, Romy, Killian, Joseph, Tiffanie, Wiktor, Lexie, Julia, Lillie and Veronica

who are receiving the sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. This is a very special step in faith for all the children and we wish them all huge congratulations. Please come along and celebrate with the children at 9:30am Mass on Sunday 10th June. Teas and coffees will be served in the school hall as we celebrate with all the children afterwards.



Can you please return your Mission Boxes to the school reception next week please. We are almost ready to pass on our donations.

On Tuesday we had a visit from Ofsted. The inspector visited lessons, looked at books, spoke with pupils, our advisers and governors. As soon as we receive our report we will share it with you. Thank you for your continued support with our school.

RB Ryder

Curriculum Enrichment Day



On Thursday 6th June, Year 5 children were invited to a curriculum challenge day at Queen's Park High School. The theme for the day was "Exploring Our World" and the children had the chance to experience lessons surrounding that theme. Along with children from other local primary schools, they had a history lesson looking at world exploration during the Tudor times. They learnt all about life as an explorer at sea and the risks and dangers which faced explorers nearly 500 years ago. In science, the children looked at space exploration and had the opportunity to create a rocket and launch them in the gym. Some of them travelled very far across the room but not enough to reach space! Finally, the children learnt about making ethical financial decisions in a social studies lesson and thought about how we can make the world a fairer place. The children really enjoyed their new experiences and had an exciting day.



Healthy School week at St Clare's.

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Sports Day to support the children just before half term. Huge congratulations to all the children who participated with great motivation and enthusiasm. It was a wonderful day filled with lots of smiles!

St Clares competed at the Chester SSP Quad Kids Athletics Event just before half term. This competition is for 4 boys & 4 girls competing in 4 events each: Vortex Ball Throw, Standing Long Jump, 75m Sprint and 600m Run.

Our team of Nathan, Will, Patrick, James, Ellie, Winnie, Kacey and Year 4 Miley absolutely shone. 16 schools entered this competition with many of those children running for local clubs. We are always proud of our team but any expectations we had were exceeded.

Our points tally of 1,397 is the highest total in St Clare's sporting history and finishing an exceptionally high 3rd place. The gap between the top three schools was literally a couple of seconds and centimetres.

Miss Bradley & Mr Wright as always were extremely proud, and amazed by the way the team performed. Special mention to Year 4 Miley who ran the 600m in the fastest time for any Year 6 girl on the day! Keep up the great work Miley.

Attendance

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

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.

	Week Beginning 20/04/2019	Week Beginning 03/06/2019
Australia	97.4%	97.9%
Europe	92.6%	99.2%
South America	98.1%	96.7%
North America	86.9%	95.9%
Africa	92.5%	97.0%
Asia	94.1%	90.7%
Whole School	93.5%	96.1%

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



School Grounds

We are very proud of our school grounds, however we have noticed children playing with sticks before school and are concerned that a child might be injured. Please can you ensure that pupils are supervised before the school door opens so that we don't have any accidents and injuries.

School Calendar

- **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**
- **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**
- **Bikeability—Year 6K**
- **Key Stage Two athletics event- EPSV**
- **Tuesday 2nd July- Transition day in school**
- **8th July—Last Week of After school Clubs**
- **Friday 19th July- Last day of term**

Pupils in Africa visit Chester!

As part of their local study, pupils in Africa went to Chester on Tuesday. They walked the walls and discovered so many new and interesting facts for example about Captain Morgan and his outlook post where he led a defence during the Civil War.

They loved seeing the racecourse in a new light and imagined what it would have been like as a harbour and how close the water and boats came to the walls. They discovered how the first race was in 1539. The children marvelled at the amphitheatre and felt honoured to be standing where the Romans once came to be entertained.

The Grosvenor museum was fascinating and the children loved trying out the puzzles of rebuilding the amphitheatre and creating the walls and were amazed by the jewellery and weapons on display.

Although they got wet in the afternoon, it didn't dampen their enjoyment or learning. The children became detectives looking for dates on buildings and were amazed some had dates as early as 1553. They learnt how the rows date back as early as 1200ad and is likely to be the oldest shopping centre in England.

Mrs Ward explained how the children kept saying, "We've been into Chester so many times but never noticed all this or realised what a fab city we live in!" The children were exceptionally behaved and it was a truly rich learning experience.