

# St Clare's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter 08/11/2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

On Tuesday we welcomed all our superstars back to school. It was wonderful to see how much they had grown in just one week! The children were excited to share their holiday experiences. Our half term started in style when our Year Six Maths team secured second place in a primary school maths challenge, held at Kings School. Taylor, Ethan, Michael and Wiktor impressed everyone with their team work and determined attitude, not to forget their excellent Maths skills! All the team received medals, certificates and many gifts. Wiktor won the overall Mathematician of the day award and was delighted to receive a silver cup to acknowledge his achievement.

On Thursday, myself and Mrs Ward took a group of children to the Royal Court in Liverpool to watch one of our pupils, Matthew, perform as 'Tiny Tim' in a Christmas Carol. It was a wonderful production and you will not be surprised when we announced that our star of the show was Matthew! He was brilliant!

Pupils in Year Two (South America) were very excited to welcome Cheshire Falconry Centre to school. The children learnt lots of information about the birds which visited school.

Thanks for your continued support- we have lots of events coming up over this half term, please keep track on the calendar which is on the back of the newsletter and on the school website.

AB Ryder

### PTA and School Council



Thank you for your support with the sponsored jog. The funds raised will be used to update play equipment for break times. Please can monies be sent into school by next Friday at the latest so that we can organise the ordering of equipment.

### Remembrance

During the month of November we are remembering deceased family and friends in our prayers. There is a book of Remembrance in the school entrance. If you would like a name adding to this book please write the name on a piece of paper and hand it into your child's classteacher.



## Reading and Writing Workshop

Next *Wednesday 13th November*, staff are holding practical Reading and Writing informative workshops to share the techniques and strategies we use to develop pupils' basic skills. This will be very useful in helping you to support your children at home and will also give you the opportunity to ask questions about different approaches. The workshops in Key Stage One are based on developing reading skills, whilst in Key Stage Two staff will show you great activities to help with spelling, punctuation and grammar skills. Parents can go to all the workshops. The event will *start at 3:40pm and will finish at 4:30pm*. Please use this opportunity to see what we do in school.



## Attendance

Please help your children by ensuring they are school learning. We are monitoring pupils' attendance closely.

	Week Beginning 04/11/19	Week Beginning 11/11/19
Australia	95.4%	94%
Europe	93.8%	95%
South America	95.0%	95%
North America	97.0%	96%
Africa	96.4%	95%
Asia	91.0%	94%
Whole School	94.7%	95.4%

## Children in Need

Next Friday is Children in Need day and in order to support this event, St Clare's will be holding a—pay a £1 to wear your pyjamas or spots into school day. The pupils love these fun events and it is a great way to help others.



## Christmas Crib Festival

This year we will be involving the children in a 'Travelling Nativity' event. However this year we also going to be holding a Christmas Crib Festival during the last week of the term. We are hoping that every family will rise to the challenge of creating their own Crib scene—this can be 2D or 3D, and made out of anything at all— wood, playdough, lego, wool, cake.

The cribs will be displayed in Church during the last week of term and will be used to create an Advent prayer trail. We cannot wait to see the creations



## Missing Scooters

Just before half term, I was saddened to hear that a couple of scooters had been taken from our KS1 and KS2 bike and scooter stores. I was hoping that they had been taken by mistake and would be returned however this has not happened. Please can you check homes to make sure that you haven't ended up with two similar scooters accidentally.



## School Calendar

- Tue 12th Nov—Girls Football Cup match
- Wed 13th Nov— Writing and reading parents workshop  
- Altar Server Training 3:30pm-4:30pm
- Thur 14th Nov— Yr 5/6 Hockey Event  
Yr 5/6 Girls Football—League Match
- Wed 20th Nov—SEN Multiskills Event
- Fri 22nd Nov- Football Matches Yr 3/4 and Yr 5/6 (home)
- Mon 25th Nov- More Able Maths Course
- Tues 26th Nov- Africa working with artist creating lanterns
- Thur 28th Nov — Year 5 Curriculum Challenge at QPHS  
- Year 1 Multiskills Event  
- Lantern Parade—Africa Class
- Sun 1st Dec — Presentation of Candidate for First Holy Communion (Mass in church)
- Mon 2nd Dec—Reception Class trip to Chester Zoo
- Thur 5th Dec—Yr 2 Multiskills Event
- Fri 6th Dec—Asia Class Music Concert (pm)
- Sun 8th Dec— PTA Ta/Coffee after Mass
- Mon 9th —Mass (School Hall) Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
- Last week for after school cubs
- Wed 11th Dec—KS1 Nativity 2pm & 6pm
- Thur 12th Dec— Christmas Jumper Day & bring raffle item
- Fri 13th Dec— Pantomime— 'Snow White' at Mew Brighton
- Mon 16th Dec— Last Swimming Asia Class
- Wed 18th Dec— Christmas Lunch in School  
Carol Service in Church 6.00pm
- Thur 19th Dec—Christmas Disco
- Fri 20th Dec—Last Day of term—3.30pm finish