

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 17/01/2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! It was lovely to welcome all our superstars back to school this week. The children were very excited to report back on their Christmas holidays and we enjoyed hearing all their stories!

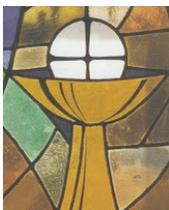
Last Thursday, pupils in Africa (Year Four and Five) went off to Liverpool museum to launch their new Context for Learning on the Egyptians. The children had a wonderful day learning lots of new information and seeing many wonderful exhibits. Towards the end of the visit, a member of the public, a retired teacher, walked over to the staff from school and commented on the excellent behaviour and attitude to learning demonstrated by our pupils. She had been watching the children during the day and was very impressed. We are very much looking forward to seeing the impact the trip has on pupils' work. Next week pupils in Asia (Year Five and Six) are going to London to visit the Natural History Museum, they are very excited about the workshop they are going to participate in. On Monday we will be launching our 500 word story writing competition for pupils in Key Stage Two. The top three stories from each class will be submitted to the Radio Two national competition!

Thank you for your continued support,

PS Ryder

Sacramental Preparation

This week we started preparations with pupils who are going to receive the sacraments of First Forgiveness and Holy Communion. This year we are very excited as we have twenty children who are going to be receiving the sacraments. Parents came along to a meeting on Thursday to find out what is involved and how they can best support their children. There is a lovely display up in church, with information about each child who is taking this very important next step in their faith journey.



Year Five all want to be Scientists!

On Monday Year Five pupils started a series of three Science lessons at Chester Catholic High School. The children had a wonderful time working in "a real science lab" investigating the amount of gas in different fizzy drinks. They thoroughly enjoyed the experience and are very much looking forward to the next lessons.



Sport at St Clare's

Pupils are enjoying the wide range of sports after school clubs. Pupils in Year Five and Six are preparing for the indoor athletics meet which takes place on Tuesday 28th January in Ellesmere Port. The children are enjoying the opportunity to work on all the different skills including long jump, medicine ball throws and javelin.

Unfortunately, the girls football match, which was suppose to take place on Tuesday, had to be postponed again because of the waterlogged pitch. Hopefully this will be arranged for a date in the next few weeks.

This week pupils from North America (Year Three) had their first school swimming lesson ever! They all had a great time and want to go again!

Pickles



Our gorgeous school guinea pig, Pickles, had a lovely Christmas holiday staying with Klara. Please remember that you can offer to look after Pickles for a weekend or school holiday. He is very sweet and no trouble at all as long as he has the odd lettuce leaf!

Ear rings

For health and safety reasons pupils cannot wear ear rings for PE lessons. Ideally pupils should be able to remove their own ear rings. If they can't, then plasters need to be worn. Pupils are not allowed to wear hooped ear rings.



Attendance It is really important that pupils are in school. Poor attendance leads to poor progress with learning and children losing confidence. Every second counts. Remember to let school know when your child is off.

	Week Beginning 06/01/2020	Week Beginning 13/01/2020
Australia	95.5%	94.6%
Europe	97.8%	96.6%
South America	98.4%	95%
North America	90.7%	97%
Africa	99.1%	99%
Asia	90.4%	94.3%
Whole School	95.3%	96.1%

Mini Vinnies

Our Mini Vinnies have been able to use sponsored funds to take part in the SVP TWINNAGE - INDIAN STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - we received a message saying thank you for this:



On behalf of the National Twinnage Committee and the Shrewsbury Central Council, I want to say a huge thank you to the Mini Vinnies for their generous sponsorship of 6 students for 3 years on the Vidya Jyothi Scheme (VJES). I will be passing on your cheque for £270.00 to Alex Beyer, our Shrewsbury Central Council Twinnage Officer.

Lache



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Youth Theatre

➔ 7+ Thursdays 5.00-7pm (term time only)
The Venue, Lache Community Centre,
Hawthorn Road, Chester, CH4 8HX

Lache Youth Theatre is a **FREE** weekly youth theatre for Lache residents where the young people will be introduced to different drama techniques, open to all abilities. ←

The group will also enable young people to develop confidence and make new friends.



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Spring Term Calendar

Tue 21st January	Asia Class Trip to Natural History Museum London
Thur 23rd January	No 'Joan's' after school club
Mon 27th January	Year 5 CHS Science Session
Thur 23rd January	1st 'Mini Cops' Meeting
Tue 28th January	Yr 5/6 Indoor Athletics 10-12pm
Sat 1st February	Cross Country Yr 3-6
Sun 2nd February	1st Holy Communion Enrolment
Mon 10th February	Book Fair—All Week
Tue 11th February	Internet Safety Day
	Yr 5—We Will Rock You QPHS 9.30-12.00pm
Fri 14th February	PTA Cake Sale 3.30pm
	Last day of half term
Mon 24th February	1st day of term
Wed 26th February	Mass in church 9.30am
	Ash Wednesday
	Parents' Evening
Thur 27th February	Parents' Evening
Fri 28th February	Year 3 to Beeston Castle
Thur 5th March	World Book Day
Tues 24th March	South America Woodlands Trip
Thurs 2nd April	PTA Easter Bingo 6.00pm
Fri 3rd April	Last Day of Term
Mon 24th April	1st Day Summer Term

Westminster Football Club

Westminster Park are recruiting new football players with the aim to form more teams in different age groups.

Training is every Sunday
10-11am £3.00 per
session at Chester
Catholic High School.

