

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 31/01/2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

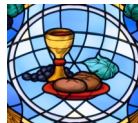
We are very much looking forward to our Art days next week. Children in Key Stage Two will come to school in their own old clothes on Tuesday 4th February, whilst pupils in Key Stage One will wear their own old clothes on Wednesday 5th February. The children are going to be working on canvases which will be displayed in an exhibition during the week beginning Monday 24th February. The children continue to have many exciting learning opportunities both in school and out. Last week staff and pupils from 'Asia' (Year 5 and 6) had a very early start on Tuesday as we set off to London, to visit the Natural History Museum! The children had the most amazing day participating in workshops and exploring fantastic exhibits. After the museum the children had a tour of the main landmarks in London.....for the majority of children this was their first visit to London and they loved it! The following day some of the children were chatting about the great experience they had enjoyed and one said they fancied working as a scientist in the museum one day. This was like music to our ears! During the workshops the presenters commented on the children's good knowledge and enthusiasm for learning.



Thank you for your continued support, have a lovely weekend,

AB Ryder

Sacramental Preparation- Mass of Enrolment



On Sunday 2nd February children who are preparing to receive the sacraments need to come along to the 9:30am Mass of Enrolment. This is a very special step for pupils, parents and carers. All families are welcome to come along and support the children at this service.

Year Five all want to be Scientists!

Year Five pupils enjoyed a Science lesson at Chester Catholic High this week. The children loved the experience of doing Science in "real labs", they made chemical rainbows in test tubes and they are very much looking forward to going again next week to separate the sugars from four different types of cola to see which one contains the most!



Sport at St Clare's

On Tuesday Mr Wright took a squad of children to an indoor athletics event in Ellesmere Port. The children participated in a wide range of events including standing jump, long jump, javelin throws and relays.

Mr Wright reported on how wonderful the children were and was thrilled when St Clare's came second out of the schools there.

Missio

On Monday Mary Dearden visited school to share information about the recent projects 'Missio' have been involved in. Pupils listened with great interest and are keen to do their bit to support the wonderful work. During Lent we will have red mission boxes in classrooms so that we can collect money to support this Charity.



Basketball Trip

This week we had a visit from Chester Phoenix Basketball Club to explain a special trip which has been organised for Sunday 9th February for Key Stage Two pupils. Replies to letters of invite need to be in by Wednesday 5th February.



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

Congratulations to all pupils who have excellent attendance. Every second counts. Children who have less than 90% attendance are closely monitored so that improvements are made quickly. Children need to be in school so that they are not trying to catch up.

	Week Beginning	Week Beginning
	20/01/2020	27/01/2020
Australia	94.3%	94.3%
Europe	94.1%	93.8%
South America	95.8%	92.1%
North America	92.6%	97.4%
Africa	95.5%	94.5%
Asia	92.3%	92.3%
Whole School	94.1%	94.1%

Budding Story Writers

All pupils in Key Stage Two have been challenged to create a story for the Radio Two 500 word Story Competition. Entries read so far have been amazing. We are giving prizes for the top three entries in each Key Stage Two class.



Swimming Lessons During Half Term

Three excellent swimming teachers are leading these swimming lessons at the Queen's School during half term. This is a great way to help your child improve this important skill.

A photograph of an indoor swimming pool with blue water and a tiled deck. The pool is surrounded by a wooden floor and there are some decorations hanging from the ceiling.

STAC Swim School

Join us for intensive lessons during the school holidays in our fantastic pool with the aim for each swimmer to achieve their highest level of water confidence, skills and swimming technique in our FUN and FRIENDLY small groups.

BEGINNER and IMPROVER classes are available for children aged 4 & over with all strokes and water skills incorporated into the lessons.

For bookings & more information contact:
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Spring Term Calendar

Sun 2nd February	1st Holy Communion Enrolment
Tues 4th February	KS2 Art Day wear old clothes
Wed 5th February	KS1 Art Day wear old clothes
Mon 10th February	Book Fair—All Week
Tue 11th February	Internet Safety Day
	Yr 5—We Will Rock You QPHS 9.30-12.00pm
	Fire and Rescue visit 'Australia'
Wed 12th February	Year 5/6 Netball Tournament
Thurs 13th February	Mini Cops Meeting 2pm-3pm
Fri 14th February	Music Concert for Parents (Asia)
	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 3:40pm-6:00pm
Thur 27th February	Parents' Evening 3:40pm-6:00pm
Fri 28th February	Year 3 to Beeston Castle
Thur 5th March	World Book Day- dress as a favourite book character
	Europe Cheshire Wildlife Trip
Wed 11th March	NSPCC Visit to school
Tues 24th March	South America Woodlands Trip
Thurs 2nd April	First Forgiveness 10:00am
	PTA Easter Bingo 6.00pm
Fri 3rd April	Last Day of Term
Mon 20th April	1st Day Summer Term
Wed 6th May	Delamere Residential—North America
Fri 8th May	Bank Holiday
Mon 18th May	Healthy Schools Week
Wed 20th May	Sports Day—parents/carers invited for track events at 1:45pm
Fri 22nd May	Last day of half term
Sun 24th May	PTA Teas and Coffees after 9:30am Mass
Sun 14th June	First Holy Communion Celebration