

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 28/01/2022



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week, we met the 10% COVID case threshold in some of our classes. In order to limit infection, we have followed the Public Health procedures and advice and have implemented additional measures in order to limit transmission.

Once again, I would like to thank you for your fantastic support with this response. Families have been extra vigilant by doing daily lateral flow tests which has led to a significant number of asymptomatic cases being identified and isolated. The staff continue to wear face coverings in communal areas in school and additional cleaning continues to take place throughout the day. Despite all the recent challenges, we are hoping that we will soon be over the peak and can quickly settle back to normality in school.

We appreciate that children who are absent might be too unwell to access learning remotely, however if they are well enough to complete some school work at home this will help them enormously in keeping up with the journey of learning. Teachers are working hard to avoid gaps in pupils' knowledge and skills and we need your support also with this ongoing challenge.

Great news this week is that we have achieved our Bronze Rights Respecting Award- we share more news about this next week. We are now looking towards achieving the Silver award!

Hope you all have a great weekend,

Sacramental Preparation

Pupils have started the programme of preparation and it has been wonderful to see how motivated they are. Fr Emeka has asked that pupils come to

Mass at 9:30am on **Sunday 6th February**, so that they can be presented to the parish. And enrolled formally onto the preparation.

Apologies for the change of date- we had originally planned for Sunday 30th January. If you are unable to make this date, we completely understand and will rearrange for a new date.



Better Health Food Scanner App campaign

The Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID)'s new childhood nutrition campaign has launched a new NHS food scanner app. The campaign focuses on using the Food Scanner app to help families make healthier food swaps. This will provide a fun way for children to become more aware about the importance of eating a healthy diet.



Attendance

Congratulations to all pupils who have excellent attendance. Every second counts. We appreciate there are occasions, especially at the moment, when pupils have got to stay at home, however we continue to closely track and monitor attendance.

	Week Beginning	Week Beginning
	17.01.22	24.01.22
Australia	94.3%	86%
Europe	99.1%	86.7%
South America	94.0%	93%
North America	98.2%	48.3%
Africa	95.5%	87%
Asia	94.4%	85.5%
Whole School	95.4%	83%

Please can you send through reasons for pupil absences through the School Spider App or via the absence line 01244 445266 and then option 1. Can you please let us know any symptoms of any illnesses.

Please ensure that you notify school of any changes in contact details, as we need to be able to get in touch with you at all times.

Class News:

Pupils wanted to share what they have been doing this week:

Africa: " We have been learning all about volcanoes", Aoife.

" In Science we have been exploring sounds and how they travel to our ears", Mia

Asia: " We have been writing our own myths using Norse language in preparation for our new class book- Arthur and the Golden Rope", Cayden.

North America: " We have been investigating rocks looking at their properties", Thomas

School Calendar

Mon 31st Jan- County Football Final Tournament 12pm

Tues 8th Feb- E-Safety awareness

Mon 14th Feb- Virtual Ethos Conference (Year Five)

Mon 21st-Fri 25th Feb- Half Term- School Closed

Wed 2nd Mar- Ash Wednesday, start of Lent

Thur 3rd Mar—World Book Day

Wed 23rd Mar/Thurs 24th Mar- Parents Evenings

Fri 25th Mar- Mothers' Day Assembly

Wed 30th Mar- Sacrament of First Forgiveness

Mon 4th -Mon 18th April- Easter Holiday- School Closed

Thur 21st April—Year 3 Swimming Lessons start

Wed 4th May/Thursday 5th May- North America trip to Delamere

Mon 9th May- Year Six Statutory Assessments (all week)

Thurs 26th May- Sports Day

Fri 27th May- St Clare's Jubilee Garden Party

Mon 30th May-Tues 7th June- Half Term- School Closed

Sun 19th Jun- First Holy Communion (tbc)



Children's University

Year Five were delighted to receive their passports for the Children's University. They are going to record all the extra learning activities they do beyond the school day. We are excited to see their achievements.