St Clare's Catholic Primary School Newsletter 24/09/2021



Dear Parents/Carers.

Please make a note of our new school telephone number which has now changed to 01244 44 52 66.

During the last two weeks we have had two successful residential trips. Year Four (Africa) went to Tattenhall for two nights and pupils experienced a whole range of wonderful activities including archery, zip line, tree climbing, orienteering and survival forest skills. The children thoroughly enjoyed toasting marshmallows and singing around the bonfire. This week Year Five (Asia Yr 5) went to the Menai Centre in Anglesey and have had a super time learning how to paddle board, sea traversing and climbing-just to mention a few new skills! For both trips we were blessed with gorgeous weather.

This week we have welcomed rangers from Chester Zoo into school. They led workshops with the children on native wildlife, endangered species and providing safe environments for animals. This project with Chester Zoo culminated with most classes visiting the zoo as part of a whole school trip on Friday! Chester Zoo have kindly provided each family with a pass so that children can look forward to another visit in the near future.



In the last few weeks we have been able to invite some adults to our celebration assemblies, currently this is by invite only so we can limit numbers. It has been wonderful to gather as a whole school to celebrate pupils' achievements.

Thank you for your ongoing support with systems to ensure pupils remain safe and healthy. Please remember to contact school if your child is absent from school.



Riding Bikes to School

We love the fact that so many of our pupils ride to school on scooters and bikes. To ensure everyone's safety we do not permit anyone to ride on the school playground. We have a wide range of family members who come to school to drop off and collect pupils from school and we need to ensure that they are all kept safe.

We have a small number of scooters and bikes which have been left in the Key Stage Two bike shed since the start of the summer holiday. If these are not claimed by the end of next week (Friday 1st October), we will find new homes for them.

.Harvest Thanksgiving

On Monday 4th October at 10am Fr Emeka will be leading a Mass to celebrate Harvest and also the feast day of St Francis of Assisi, who was a close friend of St Clare- also from Assisi in Italy. We would be very grateful if you could send in a tin of food which we can donate to the local foodbank. We are delighted that parents/carers can

Photographs

join us in church for this special Mass.

Academy photography are in school next Wednesday 29th September. Please ensure you



remember to send all pupils into school in full school uniform on that day.

Mobile Phones

The use of phones on the school premises is strictly prohibited for the safeguarding of all our pupils. It also isn't fair to pupils if parents drop off or greet pupils whilst focusing on their phones.

Thank you for your help with this.

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
	13th September	20th September
Australia	95%	95%
Europe	91%	94%
South America	95%	97%
North America	98%	98%
Africa	98%	96%
Asia Year 5	94%	99%
Asia Year 6	98%	96%
Whole School	97%	97%
<u>Absences</u>		

Please can you send through reasons for pupil absences through Parentmail. This will be quicker for you. 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.

Attendance Trophy

Our new Reception Class, who have settled into school wonderfully well were delighted last week when they won the school attendance trophy!



School Calendar

Some of the dates are to be confirmedthese are provisional.

29th Sept	Whole school photographs with Academy Photography
Wed 6th Oct	Yr 3/4 Rugby Festival : Chester
Thur 7th Oct	Yr5/6 Rugby Festival : Chester
Wed 20th Oct	Parents Evening in School
Thur 21st Oct	Parents Evening Online
	Hockey Yr 5/6 at Upton High School
	End of Half Term
22nd October	Staff Inset Day
Mon 1st Nov	Staff Inset Day
Tues 2nd Nov	Return to school
Wed 24th Nov	SEN Sports Festival
Wed 8th Dec	Flu Vaccination, Whole School
Mon 13th Dec	Dress Rehearsal Nativity KS1
Tue 14th Dec	KS1 Nativity 2pm
	KS1 Nativity 6pm
Wed 15th Dec	KS2 Carol Service in Church
Thur 16th Dec	Christmas Lunch
	Christmas Movie
Fri 17th Dec	Christmas Party am
	Music Concert—Asia Classes

Parentmail & School Spider

There are 6 more days before Parentmail will close and will be replaced by School Spider for all correspondence, emails, texts, parents evening bookings, payments for clubs, trips and school lunches.

Please ensure you have downloaded the School Spider App and you have logged in to ensure a smooth transition.

If you payments outstanding on Parentmail can these please be brought up to date before the end of September. If you have a balance on your account it will be refunded at the end of the month.

Any gueries please contact the school office 01244 44 52 66.