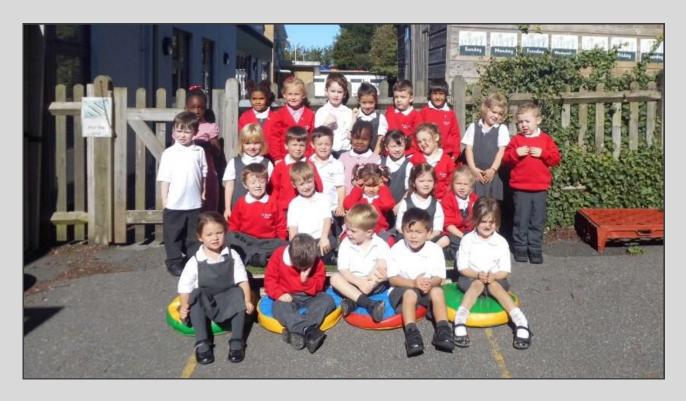


NEWSLETTER

Friday 22nd September 2017

WELCOME TO RECEPTION!

All our Reception Class pupils have now started and Mrs Hargrave, Mrs Howick-Smith and Mrs Riazi are very proud of how well the children are settling in to their new school. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the families to the St Clement's community.



ANCHOR BOOK WINNERS

Congratulations to the following children who received Headteacher Awards at our recent Anchor Assembly;

Y	ear (5	Maisie	Wright	and A	Amelia	Ioannou
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- Year 5 Charlotte Matthews and Liam Scott
- Year 4 Tom Patrick and Sienna Roberts
- Year 3 Ailbi Green and Lavina Lameiras-Colley
- Year 2 Harry Rees-Harris and Sophie Collis
- Year I Rhyley Haake and Orla O'Flaherty

YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY; LOVE AND KINDNESS

Last week we enjoyed an assembly given by Year 6. They reminded us, through readings and drama, about how we should show our love and kindness in quiet, meaningful ways. This passage taken from the New Testament, Corinthians 13, shows just that:

Love is long suffering,
Love is kind,
It is not jealous,
Love does not boast,
It is not inflated.

It is not discourteous,
It is not selfish,
It is not irritable,
It does not enumerate the evil.
It does not rejoice over the wrong,
but rejoices in the truth.

It covers all things,
It has faith for all things,
It hopes in all things,
It endures in all things.

But now remains
Faith, hope and love,

But the greatest of these is love.

Dear God,

Please help us to look each day for opportunities to be kind to others.

Help us never to be so busy looking after ourselves that we forget about other people.

Amen



SHAKESPEARE COMES TO SCHOOL!

The Young Shakespeare Company came to school this week to perform their dramatic interpretation of Macbeth to Years 4, 5 and 6. Eliza, one of our Year 6 pupils, has written the following report:

On Monday 18th September, our school hall was transformed into a theatre and we were enthralled by a performance of Macbeth written by William Shakespeare and performed by the truly amazing cast of the Young Shakespeare Company.

This tragic, old Shakespeare play is about Lady Macbeth and Macbeth becoming greedy and avaricious for royal life. Will they become king and queen and what will it do to them?

During the play I really enjoyed the performance of Lady Macbeth. She exaggerated everything to the right amount, like when she was crying you felt really upset for her.

Everything looked so realistic. The three bloodcurdling witches looked so real that I jumped at the sight of them. The costumes looked like what they would wear in those days, like Macbeth's armour and Lady Macbeth's gown.

I thoroughly enjoyed this play and I hope that I have convinced you to watch it. I rate it ten out of ten! It will be a play you will never forget and if you do watch it, enjoy!







START OF THE SCHOOL YEAR MASS

Thank you to Father Graham who has celebrated our beginning of the year Mass with the whole school this afternoon. The Mass focused on the new challenges and exciting opportunities ahead for the new school year. We gave thanks for the guidance God gives to the whole school community.

PARENTS' EVENING

Thank you for making our recent Parents' Evening such a success; your support is so important to both the school and to the children. We are now looking forward to a rewarding year ahead as the children continue their learning journeys.

BOOK SWAP VOLUNTEERS

Mrs Chappell would like to thank all the parents who have offered their time to help with the book swap scheme and to Mrs Saville for co-ordinating the rota.



The Holy Cross School Year 7 Open Evening

Monday 2nd October 2017 - 5.30pm to 8.00pm

95% Level 4 and above in English Language 95% Level 4 and above in English Literature 87% Level 4 and above in Maths and English Language/Literature

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REVISED DATES

Please note the following important dates for this term; **some of these have been revised** since the last edition so please check carefully for any changes.

DATE	EVENT			
Tuesday 26 September	European Languages Day			
Wednesday 27 September	New Reception Parents Coffee Morning			
Friday 29 September	Year 4 Assembly			
Friday 6 October	Year 3 Assembly			
Friday 13 October	Year 2 Assembly			
Friday 13 October	Grandparents' Afternoon			
Tuesday 17 October	Parents' Evening			
Thursday 19 October	Parents' Evening			
Friday 20 October	Reception Assembly			
Friday 20 October	Break Up for Half Term (normal finish time)			
Monday 30 October	School Starts			
Tuesday 31 October	School Photos			
Wednesday 1 November	All Saints Mass at 2.15pm			
Friday 3 November	Year 5 Assembly			
Monday 6 November	Disability Awareness Day			
Tuesday 7 November	Prospective Parents' Morning			
Wednesday 8 November	Prospective Parents' Morning			
Friday 10 November	Year 1 Assembly			
Thursday 23 November	St Clement's Day and Mass at 2.15pm			
Tuesday 12 December	KS1 Nativity Afternoons			
Wednesday 13 December				
Monday 18 December	KS2 Advent Service 5pm			
Tuesday 19 December	KS2 Advent Service 7pm			
Wednesday 20th December	Christmas Lunch			
Thursday 21 December	Break Up 1.30pm			



A HUGE THANKYOU!

We would like to thank parents for their very generous donations of boxes of tissues and Calpol. We now have plenty to see us through this half term but do look out for further requests in the Newsletter when stocks are running low again.

In the meantime, the School Office would be grateful for donations of any **boys pants**, **boys grey socks and younger girls school skirts** you might have spare.

PARENTMAIL PAYMENTS

Please be aware that when making payments via ParentMail, the minimum amount that can be paid using **PayPal is £50.** This is due to the significant cost to the school when using this payment system. **Debit and credit cards can be used to pay ANY amount.**

SCHOOL UNIFORM UPDATE

Thank you for all your efforts ensuring that your children are coming to school looking smart in their uniforms. May we remind you that if your child wears a polo shirt it should be embroidered with the St Clement's logo; plain white polo shirts are not part of our uniform. In addition to this, trousers and shorts must not be in the cargo style with pockets on the legs and tights must be either red, black or grey.

GRANDPARENTS' AFTERNOON

We are looking forward to Grandparents' Afternoon on **Friday 13th October.** Letters containing all the details will follow in due course.