

St Clement's Catholic Primary School

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ISLE OF WIGHT

Mrs Roberts and Year 4 are heading to the Isle of Wight on Monday 27th April for their week long educational residential trip. We hope the weather is kind to us and we wish the children a very safe and enjoyable residential trip.

My special thanks go to Mrs Regan and Mrs Bell for accompanying the visit. We will endeavour to keep you updated on the school website.

Please <u>do not</u> park in Fennells Mead on Monday as access is needed for the coach. Thank you.



SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS

Thank you to everyone who has donated Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. This scheme finishes on 3rd May 2016. If you have any vouchers at home please bring them to the school office. This fantastic scheme really benefits our school with supplies of school equipment.



SCHOOL WEBSITE & TWITTER

Our new website has a Twitter link that we can use to upload news and messages. You may access this through the website or by following our Twitter account @StClements CPS

ANCHOR BOOK WINNERS

Congratulations to the following children, who received Headteacher Awards this week:

Yr 6: Raydon Merby &
Lucy Howick-Smith

Yr 5: Elise Samuel & Sean Burke

Yr 4: Archie Hurst &
Amelia Ioannou

Yr 3: Jacob Purcell & Isabella Ward

Yr 2: Luci Aguiar & George Palmer

Yr I: Jamie Thornton & Arthur Rees-Harris

Rec: Lily Bloomfield & Julia Kielar



CELEBRATING THE QUEEN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

Her Majesty the Queen celebrated her 90th birthday on Thursday 21st April. We read the following prayer:-

As we celebrate the 90th birthday of our Queen, we give thanks for her many years and long reign.

Help us to learn from her commitment to her people, so that our community may be strengthened and all may flourish and achieve.

We will have a special '90th birthday street party celebration' on Friday 27th of May where the children will be asked to wear something red, white and blue on the day.





MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNORS ABOUT ACADEMIES

Conversion to academy status has been on the Government's agenda for a number of years now and you will, no doubt, have seen the recent media coverage following the publication of the White Paper which sets out the Government's requirement that all state-funded schools in England will have converted, or be in the process of converting, to academy status by 2020.

As a Catholic school, we operate under the authority of the Bishop of Arundel and Brighton and, in our Diocese, it has been decided that, should schools convert to academy status, there will be a number of locally based Catholic Multi Academy Trusts (MATs) across the Diocese which Catholic schools would join.

The governors have been proactively keeping abreast of developments over recent years considering what the implications of academisation would be for our school. We are in a fortunate position as we have already built up strong links with the other Catholic schools in the deaneries of Epsom and Redhill and we have a well-established history of working together.

Working within government and diocesan parameters, our preferred route for conversion would be to continue our collaboration with these deanery schools and establish an Epsom and Redhill Deaneries MAT. At this stage, we have expressed initial interest to the Diocese in exploring this possibility further. We will keep you informed of any developments. Please be assured that, should the governors decide to pursue conversion, they would consult with staff, parents and local community partners.