



Newsletter - Thursday 20th July 2017

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Welcome to the final School Newsletter for this academic year. It has been a very busy week with many awards handed out, celebrations and of course lots of goodbyes. To those leaving St Clement's this year, we wish you all every success and happiness in your new ventures. We look forward to welcoming back lots of familiar faces, as well as some new ones, in September but until then, we wish everyone a very happy summer break!

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YEAR 6 LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY

Year 6 have presented their final St Clement's Assembly today as they said thank you and 'au revoir' to all at St Clement's. With their usual wit and charm they remembered some special times throughout their years but also remembered the people who had helped them on their very special journey over the years and prepared them for their next step. We presented them with a beautiful book of photographs to remember their special times and we send them on to their respective highs schools with love and best wishes from all at St Clement's – we look forward to a visit in September in their new uniforms!



END OF TERM ASSEMBLY

THANK YOU

At our end of year assembly we said some special thank yous to the wonderful group of ladies who change the children's reading books on a regular basis. This work is much appreciated as it allows our Teaching Assistants to have more time in the classrooms supporting learning.

100% ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Children were awarded certificates for 100% attendance for the summer term and for 100% attendance throughout the year. A special award was presented to **Simon** for 100% attendance throughout the seven years since he started in Reception – huge congratulations!



THE SLEMISH CUP

The Slemish Cup was donated by Miss Close; she was born near Slemish Mountain on which St Patrick spent time contemplating how to bring Christianity to the Irish people; while on the mountain he faced a number of challenges. Miss Close's intention was to recognise courage, perseverance and quiet determination. This year it has been awarded to **Alexi**.

THE DAVIES CUP

The Davies Cup was presented to Mrs Davies for outstanding contribution and achievement to the sporting life of St Clement's. The first pupil to be awarded this trophy is **Niamh**.



THE WRITER'S AWARD

At St Clement's, we are extremely lucky to have a wealth of very talented writers in all our year groups. Having had the opportunity over many years to read some outstanding pieces of writing, Mrs Chappell has donated The Writer's Award, which will be awarded annually to one pupil in recognition of outstanding and talented writing. This year's recipient is **Riona**.

Many congratulations to all three recipients of the awards – they are well deserved!

LEAVERS' MASS

Staff, governors and parents joined Father Graham on Tuesday Evening to celebrate the school's mission statement of "Growing Together in Love and Learning" at the Year 6 Leavers' Mass. Two of our Year 6 pupils have written the following comment about their experience of the evening;

"The Year 6 Leavers' Mass on Tuesday evening was a lovely opportunity to share our memories of the school with our parents. We wrote our own prayers and thanked the school for all the support and wonderful experiences during our time here."

Riona Stockley and Lily-Grace Dulwich

Billy Downer wrote the following reflection for the Leavers' Mass which we think is particularly beautiful;

"St Clement's can climb any mountain. When we are climbing that mountain, we climb it together. Our school motto really symbolises that and that's what St Clement's is about; Growing Together in Love and Learning.

Teachers have really supported me and so have my friends. This school has taught me the right way to live. It has changed who I am as a person and how I act towards others. I have become more responsible for my problems and how to fix them. Mostly, I will miss how much care everyone shows for each other. We can fulfil any dream and believe in anything. You were always there for me, nothing is impossible at St Clement's and that will always stay in my heart."

TOP ATTENDERS' PICNIC

We had a huge number of children joining us at Gibraltar Recreation Ground for a picnic and play, a small reward to congratulate them for their fabulous attendance record.



BOOK PRIZES

Congratulations to the following pupils who have been awarded Book Prizes for the Summer Term;

Reception **Scarlett Morris**

Year 1 **Leonardo Costello**

Year 2 **Lavina Lameiras-Colley**

Year 3 **Mikey Silke**

Year 4 **Thomas Finan**

Year 5 **Sophia Hayman**

Year 6 **Simon van Loon**



GUITAR ASSEMBLY

We started this week by celebrating even more of the talent that we possess at St Clement's. This time it was the turn of our guitarists who treated us to some fabulous music which included the theme tunes to James Bond, Star Wars, Harry Potter and Pirates of the Caribbean.

All of the children learning guitar had the opportunity to perform in front of their families and the whole school. Learning the guitar takes a lot of hard work and dedication and this was demonstrated by all the children who took part. It is also testament to the skills and patience of Oliver du Tait, our guitar teacher that our guitarists have the confidence to play in front of such a large audience.

Well done to all the children who played for us. It really was a lovely way to start the week.



SCHOOL NOTICES

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

There is an exciting new timetable of After School Clubs for the Autumn Term which has been sent via ParentMail today.

All the details and forms will also be available in the clubs section on the school website from September.

SUMMER WEDDING BELLS!

We will be welcoming back Miss Steerwood, our Year 5 teacher, as Mrs James after the summer holidays!
We wish Miss Steerwood a very happy wedding day this summer and send her our congratulations.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM MRS BUCKLEY

Please find attached a letter from Mrs Buckley containing important information for all parents.
Please do take the time to read this letter as it contains details and reminders for the Autumn Term.

EXTREME READING CHALLENGE

The attached letter from Mrs Buckley also contains details about an exciting Summer Reading Challenge for the children to complete over the holidays. The children have been sent home with entry forms but please also find attached these forms for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 for you to print off should you need them.

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