



ST CLEMENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 21st July 2022

MESSAGE

We have now reached the end of the academic year. It has been fabulous this term to get back to normality and a busy school life.

As always, at the end of an academic year, it is inevitable that we will say goodbye and good luck to staff members who leave the school to take on new posts or pursue personal ambitions. We say goodbye to Mrs Ward, Miss Kenway Miss Pavlou and Mrs Kingswell. I am confident that you will join me in thanking them for their commitment and dedication during the time they have been at St Clement's.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families all of the very best for the summer. May it be a safe, healthy and happy one and whatever your holiday plans are, may they be most enjoyable!

YEAR 6 LEAVERS

We wish our Year 6 pupils all the very best at their new schools and we will enjoy hearing about their future experiences as they settle into the next stage of their education.



At the end of this school year we give thanks to God:

For all the teaching and learning that has taken place in our school, both in
and out of the classroom,

For the talents and gifts that have been shared and the challenges that have
been faced;

For the burdens that have been lifted and the hurts that have been healed;

For the respect and care that has been given.

We give thanks for the friendships that have just begun and for those
that have grown.

For the hope that has lifted our hearts on the dark days,

And for the love that has kept us going.

We give thanks for special the community that we are.

Bless our families as we begin our holidays, may our time together leave
us with memories to cherish.

Pour out your love on us that we may return renewed and refreshed to
continue our journey together.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen



GOOD SHEPHERD MASS

On Wednesday 22nd June, a group of Year 5 children joined all the Catholic schools from the Arundel and Brighton diocese to participate in the Good Shepherd Celebration with Bishop Richard at Worth Abbey. It was a glorious sunny day and Worth Abbey is in spectacular grounds offering beautiful views of the South Downs. At the start of the service, two pupils from each school processed into the abbey holding their school banner, which were then placed around the abbey walls.

This year's theme was the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Each school made a model of the Sacred Heart and two children from each school brought up their model during the offertory procession. In the Gospel, John 15:9-12, we heard how Jesus gave us a new commandment "Love one another as I have loved you." Bishop Richard reminded us of the many ways in which we can show love to both each other and our neighbour.

A representative from Mission Together, Pope Francis' charity, where children help children was presented with a cheque for £1050, which was the total, raised by all the diocesan schools. It was a very spiritual occasion with beautiful singing and reflective liturgical dances. After the service, our children had their photograph taken with Bishop Richard who remembered us from his recent visit to St Clement's in May for our 50th Anniversary Mass. We then had a picnic lunch on the grass in the warm sunshine before returning to school. Our children behaved impeccably and were, as always, a credit to St Clement's.



ST PETER AND ST PAUL MASS

The feast of St Peter and St Paul was celebrated by the whole school community as Fr Graham joined us for a school mass. In the readings we heard how the weak man, Simon, become the strong leader, Peter, and how the soldier, Saul, became the missionary, Paul. Fr Graham explained that God the Father made Peter and Paul strong and gave them the courage to make a new start. He reminded us that we too, should try to be like them, sharing the Good News of Jesus through our words and actions.



YEAR 1 ASSEMBLY

Year 1 were delighted and proud to perform their class assembly, with their parents and whole school community. The theme of their assembly was Neighbours. The children explored who are our neighbours and reminded us that we must be ready to help whoever needs our help because everyone is our neighbour. Then they told us the story of the Good Samaritan to explain how we can be a good neighbour. They performed a very moving and spiritual liturgical dance to express the theme of Love Your Neighbour. They reminded us of Pope Francis' letter to us all called Fratelli Tutti which urges us to treat everyone like a brother or sister and that we must think of ourselves as a single family living in a common home. The assembly finished with thoughtful bidding prayers and a fantastic song "The Golden Rule is Love." The children all performed with great confidence and reverence.

Dear Lord,
Help me to remember that everyone is my neighbour.
If I can do something good
Or show my kindness
Then help me to do it today
For unless love is shared
It will not grow.
Amen.



YEAR 2 ASSEMBLY

Year 2 assembly was based on our RE topic Treasures, looking at the world which is God's creation. The children reflected on the message from Pope Francis called Laudato Si' and how we can take good care of the world in our everyday actions.



YEAR 3 ASSEMBLY

Year 3 were very excited to share their class assembly, which was based on the theme of “Energy” with their parents, grandparents and family members. The children told us about the Pentecost story, when the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit. From that day, the disciples were changed; they now had the courage to go out and tell everyone about the wonderful things Jesus had taught them. Interpreting this theme in a most moving and spiritual liturgical dance, the children performed with great reverence. In one of his letters to the Corinthians, St Paul explained how the Holy Spirit gives us gifts and the children acted out little dramas to illustrate these gifts. The assembly finished with thoughtful bidding prayers and a wonderful song. The children all performed with great confidence and proudly wore the badges they had made using the signs and symbols of the Holy Spirit to show that the Holy Spirit is guiding them to be witnesses for Jesus.



YEAR 4 ASSEMBLY

Year 4 led us in prayer on Friday 08th July as they celebrated making their First Holy Communion with the whole school community and their families. Acting out the story of the Last Supper, they reminded us that when we go to mass and receive Holy Communion, we share that special meal with Jesus too. The children also shared some of their memories of their special day; Joe commented, “I felt very special and I felt like God was carrying me to walk to his kingdom of peace and harmony.” Looking very smart indeed, each child presented an unfinished clay heart, representing their spiritual journey, together with a beautiful message of thanks to their parents.

We thank you, God, for Jesus your Son.

We thank you for the special meal he shares with us.

Help us to grow into the kind of people you want us to be.

Feed us with your love.

Give us the strength to make the right choices to be the best we can be.

Amen.



PIRATE DAY



On Friday 8th July, we had a pirate day in Hedgehog class as part of our topic 'I wonder what happens in the sea?'

All the little pirates had lots of fun taking part in our pirate themed activities throughout the day. We played a fun maths game, where the children had to share out the treasure between two pirates, in different ways. Some children enjoyed building a pirate ship out of cardboard boxes and others designed their own treasure maps. We sang some pirate songs with actions and we listened to some great pirate stories too. Ship Ahoy!!



YEAR 5 ART WORKSHOP

Year 5 visited Blenheim School to take part in a special Art Workshop. The workshops with Blenheim this year were designed to introduce Year 5 students to fun and interactive learning activities, using equipment and techniques that may not be readily available in Primary School. The children completed a colour study using complementary and harmonious colours from the colour wheel, expertly guided by Mrs Turpie, the Art and Design Teacher. The children really enjoyed the workshop and were fabulous ambassadors for St Clement's.



HEALTHY EATING WEEK

As part of our Surrey Healthy Schools Approach and journey to Healthy Schools Status, the children and staff of St Clement's took part in this very important week under the guidance of The British Nutrition Foundation. We began with an assembly to reflect on our lifestyles and understand how to make improvements to enhance our own health and wellbeing. The children then undertook various activities throughout the week culminating in a showcase of work in 'Eat well for you and the planet!' which was the main message.



OSMINGTON BAY

After the half-term break, the children of Year 6 went on their residential trip to Osmington Bay. All the children were really excited about going on their first residential! The weather was glorious! The children had the time of their lives. They had such a range of activities to take part in from trapeze, giant swing, zip wire and abseiling. We also had an afternoon of dragon boating off-site at the Olympic water park in Weymouth. What a treat! The evenings were jam packed with activities involving them running around the site looking for clues to solve. Thursday night was disco night where they showed us their dancing moves! All the children had a fantastic time, eating well and sleeping soundly in their mostly 'very tidy' rooms! A huge thank you to Mrs Regan and Mrs Dunne for their fantastic support during a wonderful week! Year 6, you were an absolute joy to take away! Thank you.



YEAR 6 PRODUCTION

For those of you who had the opportunity to attend our Year 6 production of "Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back" on Wednesday 13th July and Thursday 14th July, we think you'll agree that the performances were truly amazing! Year 6 managed to bring the West End to West Ewell!

Well done to our wonderful Year 6 children who each gave their individual performances 100%. They made us laugh, they made us cry, but most of all, they made us proud.

Thank you to all the parents who helped us with hair and make-up; to Mrs Ward for her wonderful additions to the scenery; to Mrs Readett for her fabulous 'snappy Gordon pot plants'; and to Mrs Baker, who worked so very hard over the past few weeks to make such incredible costumes. Without a doubt, her costume making skills helped the children to put on an even more professional and brilliant performance. Thank you.

It is very clear that St Clement's children most certainly do have talent - very well done to them all! We have certainly discovered a few potential stars of the future.



IT'S A ST CLEMENT'S KNOCKOUT

On Monday 21st June, we had our annual 'It's a St Clement's Knockout!' All the children walked over to the Old School's Lane field where they competed in their houses in a variety of traditional events. We had great fun with:

- the sack race
- three-legged race
- throw the welly
- egg and spoon/crab race
- fill the bucket
- obstacle race
- tug-of-war

It was a beautiful day and it was so lovely to be able to invite parents to this school event. The children had a ball and everyone was able to take part at their own level. The tug-of-war was a great hit with children and parents! It was so lovely to see so many parents ready to show their strength and teamwork skills, a great example to the children. Congratulations to the winners, St Benedict's! A huge thank you to all the helpers involved that day. It was a great success and every child had a huge smile on their face.



KS2 DISTRICT SPORTS

We took 24 children from KS2 to the field events on Friday 1st July and 40 children to the track events on Monday 4th July. At the field events, which was a beautiful day at Stamford Green school, we saw some huge jumps and fantastic throwing and we came home with an array of medals from bronze to gold! The children demonstrated some fantastic skills.

On Monday at the track events, the children were so excited to be able to be running on a track for long distance, sprint and relay! We have some very promising long distance runners and some super sprinters. The weather was a real mixed bag with torrential downpours stopping the state of play for a while but this did not dampen the St Clement spirit and again we came home with a collection of medals from bronze to gold! Superb effort by all the children involved. Well done to all of them for all their efforts and encouragement towards each other. It was wonderful to see and we were so proud of them all. A huge thank you to Mrs Kingswell and Mrs Regan for their support at this



END OF TERM PRIZES

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 as well as a child who lived out the Gospel values of St Clement's.

This year **The Slemish Cup** has been awarded to Nerisha



THE WRITER'S AWARD

This award was donated by Mrs Chappell as she wanted an opportunity to recognise one pupil for their achievements in writing across the curriculum - for their efforts in achieving their writing potential through responding to teacher feedback and reading widely to enhance their writing further.

This year **The Writer's Award** has been awarded to George



THE DAVIES CUP

The Davies Cup was presented to Mrs Davies for outstanding contribution, sportsmanship and achievement to the sporting life of St Clement's. Each year this is now awarded to a pupil who displays the same level of commitment to sport at the school.

This year **The Davies Cup** has been awarded to Henry W



WATER TALK

On Tuesday 28th June, Year 4 were visited by Nick, an Education Officer at SES Water. He came to talk with them about one of the world's most valuable resources, water. They learnt about the water cycle, the complicated process of making water safe to use and she discussed with the children how we use our water. With a variety of hands on activities, demonstrations and discussions, they had an enriching, educational time and now have a better understanding of how precious water is and how to use water responsibly. Nick left each of the children with a useful shower timer and an activity booklet to complete. Thank you to SES Water for a worthwhile visit!



VALUES AND VIRTUES AWARD

This half term we have spent time as a whole school reflecting on the meaning of the value of Charity and Service. We have thought about how we see these values in action in our lives and in the lives of others. We have also thought about how we can work to encapsulate these values in our lives.

Well done to those children who received our Values and Virtues award at the Anchor Assembly this half term:

Year 6 Rodrigo, Ben and Aidan
Year 5 Liam F, Scarlett and Frankie
Year 4 Tom, Erin and Jocelyn
Year 3 Noah, Isaac and Malachi
Year 2 Daniela, Oscar and Joseph
Year 1 Amaira, Etieno and Darcie
Reception Maisey-May, Ania and Aidan

ANCHOR AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following children who received awards at our Anchor Assembly this half term:

Year 6 Sonia, Layla, Ashley, Tom and the whole class
Year 5 Marta, Jacob, Enya, Lara, Liam F and Lily
Year 4 Oscar, Alex, William, Xavier, Edric and Alex
Year 3 Lucie, Orla, Jemima, Adam, Daniella and Bailey
Year 2 Nadia, Imogen, Amelie, Cerys, Lily and Filip
Year 1 Jacob, Freyja, Amaira, Joseph, Sophia and Max
Reception Ella, Aidan, Dominic, Marlow, Elliot and Erin

Please keep the Anchor badges safe over the Summer holidays and return them to your child's class teacher on the first day back of the Autumn Term.

HOUSE POINTS

The year winners are St. Benedict

House	Points
St Benedict	22975
St Francis	22642
St Clare	22884
St Margaret	22628

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Summer Reading Challenge from The Reading Agency takes place every year during the summer holidays. Children read 6 or more library books of their choice and receive incentives along the way to encourage them. With exclusive incentives to collect and plenty of brilliant books to enjoy, the challenge is the perfect summer activity to build young readers' skills and confidence during the long break from school.



For this year's challenge, The Reading Agency has partnered with the Science Museum Group to create 'Gadgeteers', inspiring children to use their curiosity and creativity to discover the science behind the everyday, and celebrate the role of the imagination in both reading and the sciences. The Gadgeteers are planning an epic summer party! Through reading books and collecting rewards, challenge participants will help the Gadgeteers use their special skills to get everything ready.

BOOK PRIZE WINNERS

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

Year 6 Scarlett
Year 5 Eva
Year 4 Tom
Year 3 Isaac
Year 2 Jude
Year 1 Sophia
Reception Marlow



SCIENTIST OF THE TERM

Each class teacher has selected a pupil from their class who is their Scientist of the term. This could be for excellent scientific knowledge, super investigating or enquiry skills and/or enthusiasm. Each child received a special certificate and an applause for their achievement. An overall winner was chosen from a hat. The overall winner has received a Science experiments box. Below are the class Scientists of the term and the overall winner. Well done to all.

Year 6 Dan
Year 5 Ben
Year 4 Jocelyn
Year 3 Ariadne
Year 2 Myla
Year 1 Joseph
Reception Aniela

Overall Winner Joseph

SUMMER FAYRE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Friends raised an amazing £5402.00 at our Summer Fair on Saturday 9th July.

Thank you to everyone that volunteered on the day on the different stalls.

ATTENDANCE AWARD



The attendance winners for this year are Year 1.

Well done Year 1!

LUNCH COSTS

The cost of school lunches are increasing to **£2.60** per day.

The price of school lunches for years 3-6 (KS2) from Monday 4th September to Friday 21st October is £91.00 payable by Parentmail.

School breaks up today for the Summer Break and opens again on Monday 5th September 2022.

We hope that everyone has a well deserved and enjoyable Summer Break.

AT OXTED & LIMPSFIELD CRICKET CLUB. FUNDRAISING FOR SIGHT FOR SURREY

CRICKET FUN DAY



FOOD, DRINKS, GAMES, VISION IMPAIRED & DEAF CRICKET FOR ALL

- 10.30AM: VISION IMPAIRED CRICKET SESSION
- 1PM: ENGLAND DEAF CRICKET (ECAD) VS OXTED & LIMPSFIELD XI MATCH

SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER
10.30AM - 5PM



FREE ENTRY details at @SightforSurrey

Charity number: 1121949



KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022



MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.

ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.

DUNELM

One free mini main, two snacks and a drink for every £4 spent in the in-store cafe.

YO! Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.

HUNGRY HORSE

Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.

IKEA

Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).

BELLA ITALIA

Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.

DOBBIES

Kids eat free with an adult main meal.

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.

MORE TO COME!!

M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.