

# St Clare's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

14th July 2023

St Clare's is a Christ-centred family where everyone is valued and respected. We learn and grow, whilst strengthening our relationship with God and one another. Together in His love, we can achieve our full potential.

Play, learn and grow together with Christ



# Mrs Charnley's Message

Oh my goodness how time flies! I can't believe we are on our final day; where has the year gone? As always at this time, it was lovely reading every child's end-of-year report to see just how much

progress they have all made. I have been so impressed this year with many of our children who have worked hard, enthusiastically embraced each learning opportunity, and taken themselves on a journey of self-discovery. There is so much to celebrate in every year group and I'm sure, like us, you are very proud of your children.

It has been a delight to have seen the children enjoy taking part in a wide variety of wonderful opportunities throughout the year. The children have gone from strength to strength. Seeing them perform at King George's Hall in the 'Let's Go Sing!' Concert, compete and win in many sports activities, survived a Diocesan Inspection (... judged to be outstanding) and celebrated the King's Coronation in style.

Once again, our Year 6 children as a whole group have exceeded the school targets set for them, with the majority of children achieving the expected standard for the year group; with some working at a greater depth, please have a look at the percentages on the next page. We are incredibly proud of them all. They have all given their absolute best and as we always tell them; their best is always good enough.

We also wish Mrs Foster all the best as she starts a new adventure of travel and family as she retires today. We have been truly blessed with the way Mrs Foster has embodied what it is to be part of Saint Clare's. From supporting our school as a parent - ensuring through the PTFA that the school had the money and manpower to create our pond area and so much more - to being a key member of staff, nurturing the children to be all they can be. We have been very privileged to have had Mrs Foster as part of our school community.

This has been a very busy and successful year and one we should all be proud of. May I take this opportunity to thank staff, on your behalf, for all their hard work throughout the year. They would like to thank you for your generosity in appreciation of their hard work too. It is lovely to know how you value all they do. I hope you all enjoy the summer holidays and we look forward to seeing you in September ready for all that the new academic year brings.

God Bless and thank you,

Mrs Charnley and the Staff of Saint Clare's

"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all"

Aristotle

### Results!

What I love so much about Saint Clare's is that we are a family. It would be easy to get caught up in the idea that your worth is determined by your test scores. But the children here at Saint Clare's are so much more and all the staff know that there are many other ways to be smart. Throughout the year I have witnessed talented musicians, dancers, artists, athletes, scientists, geographers and historians. In our school family, the children are kind, patient, supportive, caring, and compassionate, remembering to 'Love one another as I have loved you'. This is why we are so proud of all the children achieve.

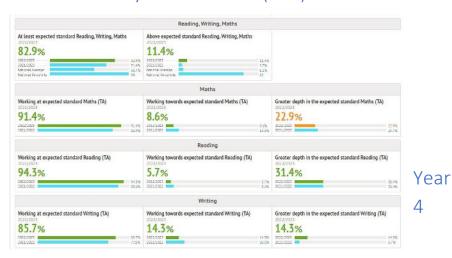
I am delighted to share with you all the statutory assessment outcomes, which also reflect our school family.

Everyone is to be congratulated on these fantastic results as they reflect the wonderful journey our children make throughout the school.

# Year 1 Phonic Screening



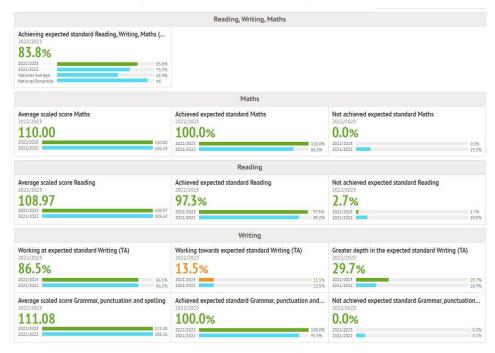
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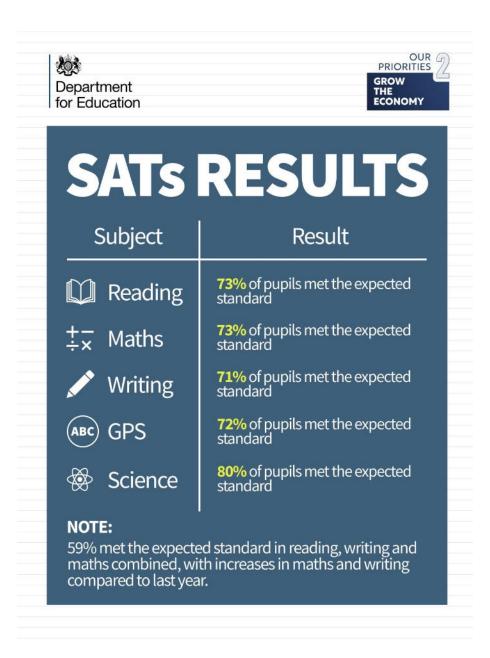
# Multiplication Check (MTC)



## Year 6 Statutory Assessments (SAT)



You have to agree these are amazing compared to the National Picture for the end of Key Stage 2!



### Weekly Mission

Here is our weekly mission - a small way of putting into practice the gospel values. We believe we are called to live our lives differently because of what we have experienced and prayed about. What we offer as the 'mission' is a suggestion of how we can all do just that.



### Uniform

At this time of the year, we are mindful that September brings uniform buying. Please remember to access any preloved uniform and at the moment there is 20% off at M&S.

Please remember that if your child is joining Year 3 - Pine Class - they will be wearing a school tie...get practicing ready for September too.

#### **Footwear**

Trainers/boots/shoes with high heels must NOT be worn.

Hair

Excessive hairstyles are not acceptable in school, for example:

• Shaved heads (Number 3 is the minimum acceptable cut)

- Shaved lines, steps, Mohicans, etc. are not allowed.
- Dyed or colours/streaks/strongly contrasting colours.
- Any child coming into St Clare's Catholic Primary School with an excessive hairstyle will be internally excluded until the hair complies with the uniform policy.
- For hygiene and safety reasons, long hair must be simply tied back with neutral colours, avoiding large bows and hair bands.

#### **Jewellery and Nails**

For safety reasons the wearing of jewelry is not considered suitable for normal school activities and must not be worn or brought into school.

No jewellery except a wristwatch and plain stud earrings are allowed in school. If a child is unable to remove the earrings for PE, the child must put plasters over the earrings. Parents will be reminded of the policy. If children are to have their ears pierced, it should be done at the beginning of the summer holiday in order for the earrings to be removed for school in September.

NO NAIL VARNISH in school.

#### **PE Kit**

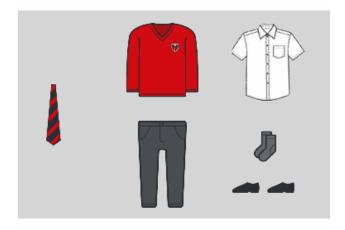
- Red school PE T-shirt with the school logo
- Red school hoodie with the school logo
- Black shorts (not lycra/cycling shorts)
- Pull-on black pumps
- Black plain jogging bottoms (not leggings)
- KS2 Plain black trainers (optional)

• Summer – plain red or black sun hats/caps to be brought into school for wearing at playtimes.

## **Boys Uniform**



This is for classes Little Saplings, Rowan, Willow, Hazel and Beech.



This is for classes Pine, Elder, Cherry and Oak.

### Girls Uniform



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This is for Classes Pine, Elder, Cherry and Oak.



### We are Gold!

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2022/23 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and

we are delighted to have been recognised for our success. Our sporting

achievements this year include. We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible. As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to all the staff who gave up their time outside the school day, particularly Mr Cummings and Mr Boardman.



We are using Arbor's free Parent **Arbor** Portal and Arbor App from September 2023

Thank you for your patience as we work to launch this over the summer holidays.

In preparation for this, there are some things that we need from you to make sure it all runs smoothly.

- 1. We need you to make us aware of any changes you may have to your contact information - especially your email address.
- 2. Login to Parentpay and clear any outstanding balances before the 14th of July 2023. Please be aware that any credit and any debts will be carried over to Arbor.
- 3. Wait to download the app during the summer holiday you will receive a welcome email that will give you all the information on how to log in. Without the welcome email, you will not be recognised and this may lead to complications later.

We will keep you updated throughout the summer.

Please remember nothing will change before the end of this term.

### St.Clare's Summer Holiday Club



It is not too late to book.

PLEASE CLICK THIS LINK: bit.ly/StClaresSummerHAF

Please note, FREE places are available to children in receipt of Free School Meal benefits, who have any SEN (or are on the pathway to an EHCP)

All the best and if you have any questions or queries, please contact me at:libby@sportscool.org or call 01254 682077

## Reading Heroes!



This summer, Lancashire Libraries are challenging children to become a 'Reading Hero' and help Dr Paige Turner to stop the evil supervillain "The Spoiler"!

Reading Heroes is the brand-new summer reading programme offered in all libraries across Lancashire, which encourages children aged 4 to 12 (although not exclusively) to keep reading through the summer holidays, offering prizes for those who manage to read five books over the summer.

We will additionally be offering free STEM activities in our libraries (check for booking requirements) and also free entry to our Lancashire Museums. REMEMBER it's free to join the library.

For further details visit <a href="https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries-and-archives/libraries/lancs-reading-heroes/">https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries-and-archives/libraries/lancs-reading-heroes/</a>