



St Clare's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

15th September 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



To think we are only just two weeks in to the school year and already everyone is settled and the learning buzz around school. Year 6 have risen to the challenge to their roles and responsibilities and already showing that they understand what it is to serve others in the way they are supporting their reception buddies. We were also humbled to see those who prepared and delivered their speeches as part of our 'Election Fever' for our Team Captains and Head Girl and Head Boy positions. I did not envy the children in Pine, Elder, Cherry or Oak on who to vote for as they were all so amazing. Once the class elections have finished for school council are finished I will then announce those who will be form our School Council this year. They will have a busy year as we focus on the corporal acts of mercy and look to see what we can do as a school family to make a difference in our world.

I huge thank you to everyone who joined our 'Meet the Teacher' meeting yesterday evening. It was lovely to see such a wonderful turn out as staff shared with you the curriculum, routines and expectations for this academic year for each class. I know that we have a great year of learning with joy and creativity for the children to grow. To share our wonderful results with you all was a very special moment, as it reflects the hard work of our staff and the way they serve our children. I would also like to thank Mrs Gibson, our school cook, who provided such delicious food for you to taste and give you an idea of what the children enjoy every day. By Monday all the information they shared with you will be available on the class pages on the school website.

Thank you again for your patience while we roll out the Arbor App and iron out the glitches. We are almost there with everything and once we get there it will mean that you have all the information you need in the one place.

Finally, parking! Parking has been a consistent problem here at St. Clare's. I would ask that you work together in order to ensure the mornings remain smoother, the cones are there to allow the traffic to flow with our 'drop and go' system. I would ask, that once your child has been picked up that you then leave the school yard to release parking space on the car park.

There is information on the parish website about the Confirmation program which this year takes place in this Autumn Term. First Confession and First Eucharist forms have also been given out ready for their preparation programme and need to be returned to the presbytery. We are so blessed to have Fr Steven and Fr John Mark who find the time to come into school and spend time with the children.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the weather while it is still warm.

Mrs Charnley and the Staff of Saint Clare's.

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

Headteacher Awards!



This Weeks Winners Are...

Little Saplings: Ibraheem Nanawatty

Rowan: The Whole Class

Willow: William Harding

Hazel: Emily Watson

Beech: Alice Nuttall

Pine: Arthur McVeigh

Elder: Nellie McDonald-Romero

Cherry: Francesca Keating

Oak: Kyran Waddington

The Winning House this week: *Southworth*

Well Done to all the winners this week! Keep up the great work!

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. 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.

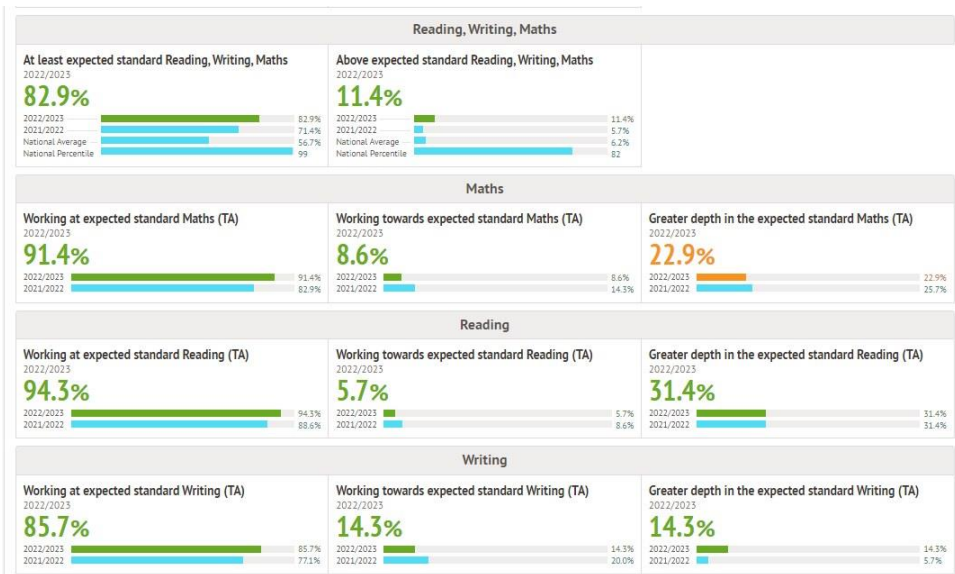
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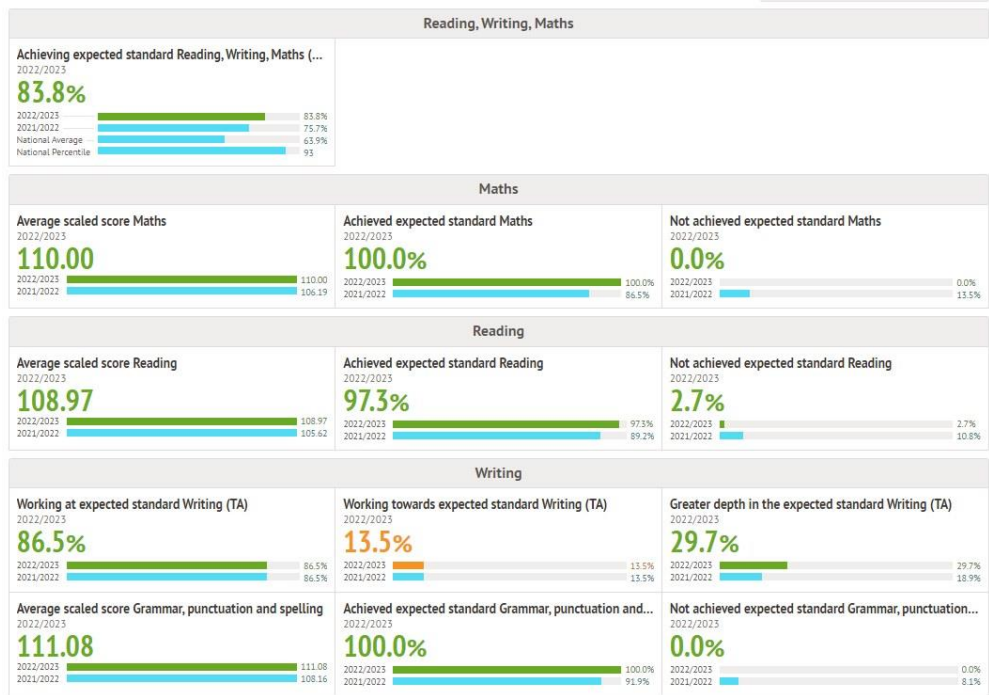
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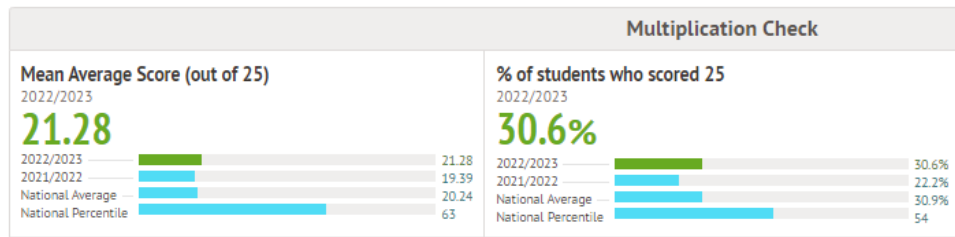
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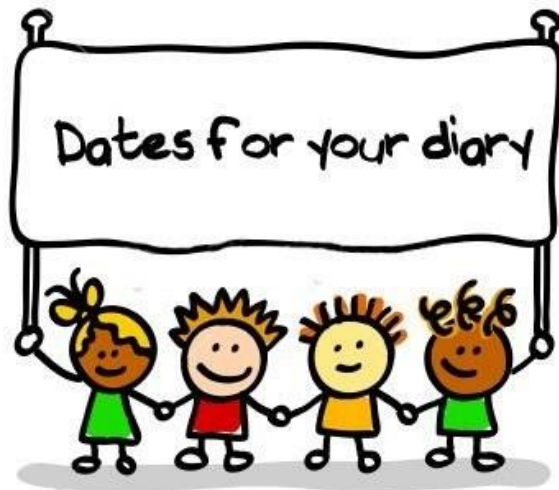
Year 6 Statutory Assessments (SAT)



Year 4 Multiplication Check (MTC)



Dates for your Diary



Tuesday 19th September - School Photographs.

Wednesday 20th September to Friday 22nd September - Year 5 trip to Castlerigg.

Thursday 28th September - Key stage 1 Film Night 15:20pm to 16:20pm.

Friday 29th September - MacMillan Coffee Morning for Rowan (reception) Children. 10am - 11:30am.

Friday 29th September - Key stage 2 Film Night 15:20pm to 16:20.

Tuesday 10th October - Year 4 trip to Liverpool Cathedral.

Thursday 12th October - School Open Day for the 2024 reception class intake. Anytime between 9am-11am & 2pm-6pm.

Wednesday 18th October - Year 6 Harvest Bingo at 10am.

Wednesday 18th October - Harvest Service at 1:45pm.

Thursday 19th October - Last day of term.

Corpus Christi High School Open Evening Invitation



The governors, staff and pupils of Corpus Christi would like to invite Year 5 & Year 6 pupils and parents to our open evening!

This will take place on Wednesday 20th September 2023 from 6:00pm - 8:30pm.

Our Headteacher will give addresses to prospective parents from 6:30pm.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

St Vincent's Road, Fulwood, Preston, PR2 8QY. 01772 716912

School Photographs



A reminder that School Photographs will be taking place on Tuesday 19th September.

If you would like to take any sibling photographs then these will take place at 8:30am.



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.

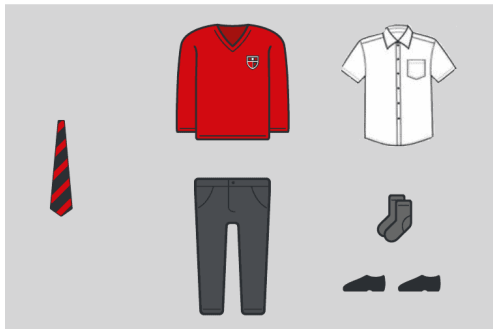
PE Kit

- 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



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



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:

USE THIS SPACE TO LIST YOUR SCHOOLS ACHIEVEMENTS With a total of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, 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 look forward to applying once again in 2024!

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



Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Arbor App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Download the Arbor app and Log in to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go!

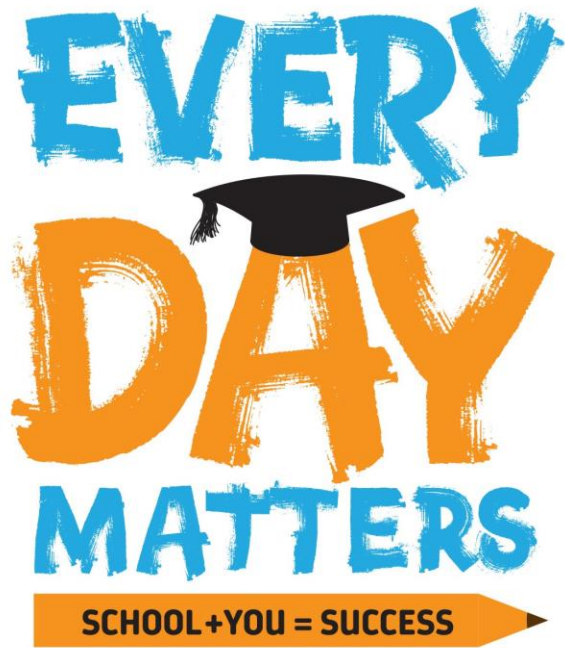
We are no longer using Parent Pay or our ParentApp. This will mean that you will only have one place to let us know about absence/illness/pay for dinners/trips/before school club and so much more.

In order for this to run smoothly we need you to make us aware of any changes that you may have to your contact information, in particular your email address.

Please be aware that any credit and any debts from Parent Pay will be carried over to Arbor. Any future payments paid via the parent pay app will be refunded apart from the Castlerigg trip and the Borwick trip Hall trip, these will remain on Parent pay.

During the summer holidays you will have received 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. Please check your junk email as it has been known to go into this folder.

Attendance



This year, We will be focusing on the schools attendance.

At the end of each term those children who have got 100% attendance will receive a certificate!

Any children who have got 100% attendance at the end of the school year will receive a prize!

The whole schools attendance this week was 97.86%.

Well done to Year 1&2 (Hazel), Your class had the highest attendance this week with 99.56%!