

St Clare's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



14th May 2021

Mrs Charnley's Message:

Jesus' message last weekend was simply to love each other as He loves us. It sounds so easy, yet it is a daily challenge for each of us as we strive to open our hearts with true acceptance. Ultimately, this is what makes us kind and, at a deeper level, opens up the possibility of being loving through our just and merciful actions and forgiving words. The more we love others, the more we are truly human and most truly ourselves. Throughout this term, we have nurtured the virtue of love alongside compassion, supporting the children as they meet their own daily challenges. It has been a real delight to see the many acts of kindness this week with the children following Jesus' message, well done everyone.

Next week sees us marking the Month of May and our adoration of Our Lady. Our annual May Procession is on Tuesday 18th of May and this year will be live-streamed so parents and parishioners can join us. The children have been very busy making the flowers that we will use - so you do not need to send any from home this year. The link to be able to watch will go via our app on the day so you can join us.

This week has been very busy, you must take time to look at the class pages on our website. There has been an Anglo-Saxon day, Bikeability, Worm Charming and map work to mention just a few of the many 'busy' learning activities around our school. I hope you have a lovely weekend and pray for the sun to shine next week for more busy learning.

Mrs Charnley and the Staff of Saint Clare's.



Headteachers Award

Rowan - Aaminah K

Willow - Mathew

Hazel - Able

Beech - Harry

Pine - Joshua

Elder - Amber

Cherry - Anne & Ethan O

Oak - Jenson & Ava

Diary Dates

24th May - Year 6 Borwick Hall

28th May - School closes for half term

8th June - School re-opens

14th June - Year 5 Castlerigg

Covid-19 testing information for education settings: for parents

What tests are available: There are two main types of test to check if you have coronavirus:

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) tests are for people with symptoms and must be run through a laboratory to get a result.

Lateral Flow Device (LFD) tests – which are commonly referred to as rapid tests – are for people without symptoms and can yield results within 30 minutes of taking one.

The type of Covid-19 test you should take depends on whether you have any symptoms.

Testing for people without symptoms: People who do not have any symptoms can test themselves for coronavirus with rapid tests. Free rapid testing is available to everyone in England, with people encouraged to test themselves twice a week.

How to get a rapid test The main port of call for accessing rapid testing will usually be through your school or college.

However, there are a number of other ways you can access rapid testing: Order home testing kits online, Many business offer workplace testing programmes, on-site or at home, You can collect a box of 7 rapid tests to use twice a week at home at participating pharmacies. Find your nearest site.

What to do if you test positive using a rapid test

If you or your child's rapid test result is positive, you and your close contacts will need to self-isolate immediately and book a confirmatory PCR test via the NHS as soon as possible. You will need to communicate this with your child's school.

Testing for people with symptoms If you or your child have one or more of the following Covid-19 symptoms you must isolate immediately and book a PCR test via the NHS: a high temperature, a new, continuous cough, loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

What to do if you don't have any classic Covid-19 symptoms If you or your child have other new or unusual symptoms or if in doubt, you can still get a PCR test. However, you do not need to immediately self-isolate for 10 days.

How to get a PCR test If you or your child has any of the three classic symptoms, you can get a PCR test here: <https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/essential-worker>. If you or your child do not have any of the three classic symptoms, proceed through the questions and then tick the box that says: "My local council or health protection team has asked me to get a test, even though I do not have symptoms". What to do if the PCR test is positive

If the result is positive, you and your close contacts must self-isolate immediately for 10 days from the day you took the test.

What to do if the PCR test is negative If the result is negative, you do not need to isolate.

Outbreaks in education settings

In the event of an outbreak of Covid-19 at a school, your child may be asked to self-isolate for 10 days if they have come into close contact with a positive case. The Infection Prevention and Control Team have produced a short video for schools with information about hand hygiene ready for the WHO Hand Hygiene day on 5th May 2021. The link is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QFV0xjKHrp4>

St Clare's 50th Anniversary Cookbook!

Are you a budding chef? A baker? Does your family have a favourite meal? Who wears the chef's whites in your house??? Mums, Dads and all the children - it's time to get cooking.

The PTFA is putting together a school cookbook as part of the 50th Anniversary Celebrations for St Clare's.

We're looking for a good mix of sweet and savoury dishes.

Get your thinking caps on and cook like you're on Masterchef! Bake like a Bake-Off star! Send us your recipes and we will choose as many as we can for the published book.

Submit your favourite dish by email to stclaresptfa@gmail.com.

You can attach a photo of the finished dish, its preparation, its presentation or everyone pitching in to help eat it!

Please do not send the recipe an attachment to the email, just write the recipe in the body text of the email.

Numbers are limited so the sooner you can let us have it, the better.

DEADLINE : half term - 28th May 2021