

St Clare's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



21st May 2021

Mrs Charnley's Message:

In Sunday's Gospel last week we all learnt how Jesus wants us to follow His teachings, love everyone just like he loves us. He also wants us to encourage others to do the same. We are called to share God's love with others. Sharing God's love, caring for one another, helping each other and making sure that everyone can have a happy life is what Jesus is asking of us all. I know that as a school we have all worked hard on this and in doing so making a difference. It has been lovely to see so many children with acts of kindness around our school. The highlight of this week for me has to be our May Procession. What a lovely afternoon to be able to come together as a school family and pray the rosary as part of our May Procession. As a school, we did rise to the occasion, with everyone taking part with real reverence. Fr Andrew reminded us of the many journeys that Our Lady faced as Jesus' mother before we too went on a journey with Her. I truly believe she was looking down on us as the weather was perfect for us to be outside so we could be a united school family in prayer, which we have missed. A memory I know we will all treasure.

I would ask for your prayers for Year 6 ready for their residential next week...that the sun will shine so the children can all enjoy the adventures they will have at Borwick Hall. The auditions this week showed me how lovely you all are in supporting each other which will make the week so special.

Looks like we are going to need to get the board games out this weekend as the weather looks like it's going to be wet! Have some lovely family time together ready for more exciting learning next week before the half term.

Mrs Charnley and the Staff of Saint Clare's.



Headteachers Award

Rowan - Sara

Willow - Musa

Hazel - Deon

Beech - Frankie

Pine - Myli

Elder - Jack M

Cherry - Mikoo & Aryan

Oak - Emily

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

Rowan Class - If anyone has any baby dolls, cots, prams or dolls clothes that they no longer use and are happy to donate, Rowan Class would welcome these donations. Please drop into reception in a carrier bag. Many Thanks

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

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>