

St Clare's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



9th July 2021

Mrs Charnley's Message: Sometimes good things happen when you are patient, and believe me some of our Year 4 have been very patient...and on Saturday they did! After being cancelled, a group of our Year 4 children received the Eucharist for the first time. With the current constraints there was always the worry that the morning wouldn't feel as special and that the experience would feel less important. As soon as the families started to arrive at church these worries floated away and, as the mass was said, there was a perfect simplicity which felt so intimate. Father Andrew spoke so eloquently about the journey they have been on and every child seemed to be in the moment, thinking about what they were about to receive and the stark beauty and the holiness of the occasion. Sometimes different is good and does cause us to reflect and recognise that some changes can bring real joy and be blessings in disguise. Congratulations to Hattie, Jack, Eloise, Connor, William, Eden, Amber, Santino, Nathan, Alessio, Mila, Caitlin and Malaki. (I know that Maddie will be making hers soon too.)

Throughout this week the sounds of Peter Pan have floated through the school as our Year 6 children have slowly put together their play. Yesterday the cameras were rolling and I can truly say it has been lovely to hear the voices of children; something we've missed this year. I cannot wait to see it myself on Monday, while the rest of the school can't wait to watch during the final week.

With only four days left we are planning to squeeze every learning moment out of the time left! Have a lovely weekend and dare I say – enjoy both the football and the tennis... We could well have victories in both... we can dream!
Mrs Charnley and the Staff of Saint Clare's.



Headteachers Award

Rowan - Libby, Leah MT

Carl and James

Willow - Willow Class

Hazel - Muhammad Zayn

& Nellie McD

Beech - Ellie

Pine - Macie

Cherry - Jeremy &

Ethan B

Oak - Betsy

Diary Dates

13th July - Party day

15th July - School closes for Summer at 1:30pm

2nd September - School Re-Opens

Office News

Dinner Money - From September the cost of a school dinner will go up to £2.35. Please could any outstanding dinner money arrears be cleared before the end of term.

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

Party Day - Tuesday 13th July will be party day. There will be a vegetarian buffet lunch, including pizza and vegetarian sausage roll. For children in KS2 If you would like your child to have lunch on this day please make payment as you normally would for a school dinner via Parentpay.
Children are welcome to come in their own clothes.



Our Preschool is opening in September 2021 and accepting the vouchers for 15hours and 30 hours. Please contact the Mrs Wiggins in the office if you need any information and spread the word to everyone you know who may need a place for their 3 year old.

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>