

St Clare's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



14th January 2022

Mrs Charnley's Message:

What a fab week...I have enjoyed seeing the children on the playground and how kind and considerate you all are playing together.

It is hard to believe that we have already completed nearly two weeks of the spring term! The children have arrived back after Christmas fired up and ready to face the new challenges of the spring curriculum. As I walk through school, I continue to be amazed as I see so much learning going on all around and the thirst for discovering new things which so many children display! Our Reception children are now so well established as part of the school community and are just flowing with brilliant vocabulary and so much confidence, their 'wanted' posters for Goldilocks are a delight. They are grasping new challenges and developing their independence which is fantastic to see!

It has been lovely spending time in Little Saplings this week too. They have been busy outside building their recycled green house—if any one has any spare long garden canes they would be glad of them.

At the other end of the school our Year 6 children have come back ready for any challenge which our residential week to Borwick Hall will bring. I know that this will be a special week but we will need your prayers for a sunny and safe week.

I know how much you all enjoy seeing all the exciting learning happening in school, especially having had so much time when because of restraints, we have not been in a position to. To help we now have ...



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Have a look and follow us too. We are working with the PTFA and will be having our own preloved uniform on there too. Have a lovely weekend rested ready for another very busy week.

Mrs Charnley and the Staff of Saint Clare's.



Headteachers Award

Little Saplings - Muhammad

Rowan - Theo

Willow - Paul

Hazel - Jayden

Beech - Ayaan

Pine - Mason W.

Elder - Georgia

Cherry - Esha

Oak - Ryan



Diary Dates

7th —11th February: Year 6 Borwick Hall

14th—18th February: School Closed for Half Term

21st February: Inset Day

22nd February: School re-opens

Keeping Children Safe Online - There will be a zoom session on the 31st January at 6pm for parents on keeping children safe on line. Details for the session are;

Time: Jan 31, 2022 06:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85770597895?pwd=WGJtc0ExWmxmMnhJYk1EejdheGIFZz09>

Further details on the sessions can be found in the letters section on the school app.

School Admissions

The deadline to apply for a primary school place for September 2022 is:

15 January 2022 for primary schools

Apply Online at <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-online-for-a-school-place/>

World Book Day - Thurs 3rd March

We are busy planning for our World Book Day . On this day children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book characters.

Watch this space over the next couple of weeks to find out more about our fun plans.

Dinner Money - A reminder that dinner money should be paid for in advance of the meals being taken. Payment is made via Parentpay and can be done weekly, monthly or termly.



I am delighted that Little Saplings is growing from strength to strength. As such there is a 15hrs variable hours TA2A contract available to help support our growing numbers. If you are interested then please contact either Mrs. Ronson or myself.

Closing date for applications will be Friday 28th January with a proposed interview date of Thursday 3rd February.

Academy Information

All the Catholic schools in the Diocese of Lancaster have been invited by our bishop, Rev Paul Swarbrick to consider converting to an academy and join a Catholic Multi Academy Trust (CMAT). Please see his introductory letter below.

There will be three CMATs in the diocese (which stretches from Preston to the Scottish Borders). Our CMAT will be the Mater Ecclesiae (Mother of the Church) and will eventually be made up of the 23 Catholic primary and secondary schools in the greater Preston area. Bishop Paul has asked everyone to convert and join one of the CMATs by 2026.

The Governors of Saint Clare's Catholic Primary School feel that this is an exciting opportunity and are considering being in Phase 1 of the schools converting to an academy. This process will take place this school year in readiness for a potential September 2022 conversion.

As part of the conversion process the Governors will consult all school stakeholders; which includes:

Parents
Staff members
The Parish of Saint Clare's
Lancashire County Council

The consultation period commenced on Monday 6th December 2021 and finishes on Friday 21st January 2022 at 3pm.

Please see [here](#) for the additional information which details Bishop Paul Swarbrick's vision for academisation along with the consultation letter and FAQs.

Any questions or feedback can be sent to bursar@st-clares.lancs.sch.uk

Following the close of the consultation period the Governing Board of St Clare's Catholic Primary School will consider all the responses received and make a final decision as to whether they wish to start the academisation conversion process this school year. We will keep stakeholders updated of the Governors' decision and next steps.

If any parent wishes to discuss this further please email the address above or contact the Headteacher, Mrs A Charnley.

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Children's Events



Monday

Toddler Rhyme Time 10:00-10:30

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Baby Bounce & Rhyme 14:15-14:45

Wednesday

Baby Bounce & Rhyme 10:30-11:00

Arabic Storytime 14:00-14:30

Friday

Storytime & Activity 14:00-14:45

Saturday

S.T.E.A.M Saturday 10:30-11:30
(Science, Technology, Engineering,
Art and Maths)

Suitable for ages 5-11 years



All events are free but space is limited so booking is recommended. Drop in or email fulwood.library@lancashire.gov.uk to book!