

# St Clare's Catholic Primary School



## Newsletter



11th November 2022

**Mrs Charnley's Message:** This week has been as busy as always, more so with our autumn term parents meetings. I hope you found them informative as I know how much our staff value the time in which we share in your child's progress.

I hope you have found the time to walk round to see the 'Poppy Parade' of art work around the school. All classes have 'window displays' for you all to enjoy. Thank you for your generosity to the British Legion Poppy Appeal which is quite humbling. I would also like to thank Mrs Rossall as again this year she has made the crochet poppies, how lovely to share your talent to help others Mrs Rossall. COP27 conference has been going on in Egypt. We have all been thinking about how our actions impact our world. Imagining a world without certain elements as we slowly lose some of our animals and plants have made us all reflect carefully. Year 6 have posted their letters to members of COP27 to challenge them to make a difference and we are looking forward to seeing how successful these are. The children are certainly leading the way!

This is often the most magical half term for both children and parents. As we travel through the half term we will be exploring and growing our faith to travel through Advent together as we wait for the birth of Our Lord. Our youngest children are busy getting the various Nativity plays ready. We would ask that you encourage the children to practice getting changed independently ready for the performances. Please check the term dates for the various Advent and Christmas events as I know how precious these memories are which parents do not want to miss.

I know that the trip to see Robin Hood will be a real highlight this year as the children have talked about missing our annual trip to the Dukes in Lancaster. As we are going as a whole school it will be a unique time to make lasting memories with the children. Have a lovely weekend together and please read about parking ready for next week—something has got to change as no-one wants the worst to happen!

**Mrs Charnley and the Staff of Saint Clare's.**



### Headteachers Award

**Little Saplings - Derik**

**Rowan - Safa**

**Willow - Ivy May**

**Hazel - Ariana**

**Beech - Carl**

**Pine - Sera**

**Elder - Sophie**

**Cherry - Dillon**

**Oak - Daniel**



## Diary Dates

30th November—Reception Class Vision Screening

13th December - Key Stage 1 Nativity  
- Little Saplings Nativity

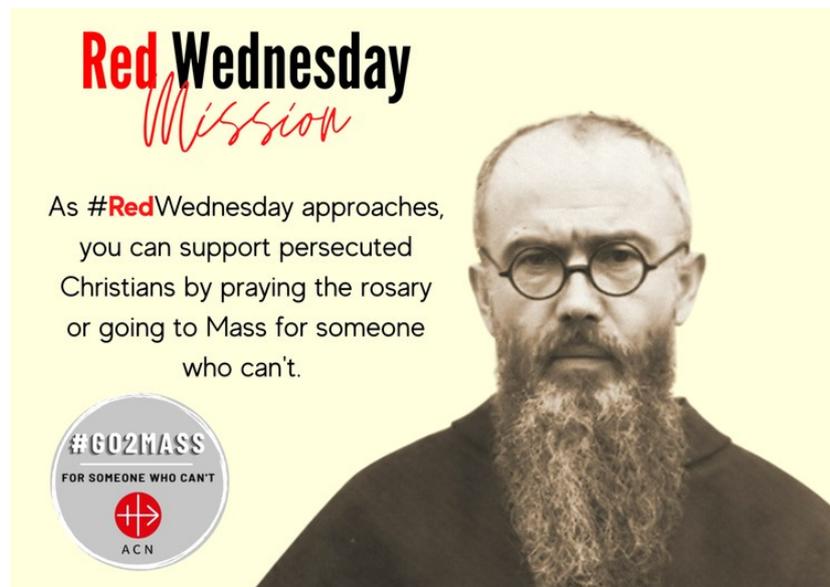
14th December - Rowan Class Nativity

15th December - Whole School Pantomime Trip

21st December —School closes for the Christmas break

9th January—School re-opens

**Our Weekly Mission** - Below 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.



**Red Wednesday**  
*Mission*

As #RedWednesday approaches,  
you can support persecuted  
Christians by praying the rosary  
or going to Mass for someone  
who can't.

#GO2MASS  
FOR SOMEONE WHO CAN'T  
ACN

**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.

At the moment parents are ignoring our one way system—parking cars to take children to the playground which leads to the car park becoming gridlocked as they try to reverse to leave. There have been times this week as the traffic on the road cannot move, so cars cannot leave the carpark which then stops cars getting on! Can I reassure you that I am always there at the Church steps to help the children safely walk along the path to the playground gate. There will always be a member of staff at that gate to ensure that children continue across the playground to their class safely. Equally Mrs Ronson is always on the bottom gate to ensure children cannot leave the school.

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.

**Indian Dinner** - ACN Fundraising event to be held on Friday 18th November 2022 at 7pm at St Clare's Parish Hall.

Tickets are £10 for an adult and £5 for a child and will be on sale after mass. If you are unable to get a ticket after mass please contact the school office.

**Reception children – due to start primary school in September 2023.**

The **statutory closing date is 15 January 2023.**

The application to be made by the closing date using this direct link

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

Should you need any help, support or guidance, the Pupil Access Office Contacts are listed below

Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley 01772-532109

**Borwick Hall** - The final balance for Borwick Hall is due on 1st December 2022.

Instalment's can be made via Parentpay up until this date.



**mind Lancashire**

## Mental Elf 2022 FESTIVE FUN RUN

Is back, bigger & better!

**Sunday 4th December 2022**  
Witton Park, Blackburn 10-2pm

**New Mini & Mega Routes!**

- New 2K Mini Elf
- New 10K Mega Elf
- Our famous 5K Mental Elf
- Surprise festive boosts along the 5K & 10K routes

**Support & celebrate wellbeing with us!**  
Enjoy a day of free entertainment - including face-painting, storytelling, samba band and choir performances.

**Find out more here:**



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## JINGLE BELL JOG

**Sunday 11th December 2022**  
Arrive from 11am • Jog starts 12 noon  
With special visitors including Santa and the North West Ambulance Service Choir

**£10** for a family of 4

**£3** per entry

Join us for a fancy dress, 1-mile toddle, walk, jog, or run around the UCLAN running track at: UCLAN Sports Arena Tom Benson Way, Preston PR2 1SG

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