



Newsletter-Issue 20

LEARNING THROUGH FAITH

Learning develops independent thinking children,
through exciting challenges,
expecting success with faith at the centre of all we do!

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had lots to celebrate over the last couple of weeks. We have had two wonderful liturgies led by Year 3 and Year 4. Thank you to everyone who attended and who stayed to the end of the liturgies.

Easter Gardens

Special thanks goes to our Year 1's and their families who have worked so hard to create beautiful Easter gardens to retell the Easter story. You can see these on our Twitter page.

Welcome Back...

Welcome back to our Year 6 children who have had an amazing week at the Briars, creating engaging collective worship that harmonises with our liturgical tradition. Thank you to the staff who gave up their family time to ensure that the children had an incredible week.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Our annual Easter bonnet parade was a massive success once again, which is due to you the parents, for working with your children to create some innovative creations. Well done to the school council who were excellent judges for our competition. Thank you to everyone who donated cakes. We raised a total of £124.00. Check out our twitter page, where you will see how talented our children are- <https://twitter.com/StClaresPrimar1> or our school website- <http://www.st-clares.leics.sch.uk/>

Stations of the Cross

Thank you to all the children and adults that joined us for the stations of the cross during Lent.

Football

The final Rose Bowl fixtures have been rearranged for the summer term due to unpredictable weather. We will be in touch with parents soon with the new fixture dates.

Polite Reminders

Year 2 and Year 6 SATS tests will be taking place during the month of May.

Year 1 Phonics Screening tests, plus those who are repeating the test in Year 2, will take place week beginning 10th June. **As these are extremely important tests, would you please refrain from taking your children out of school during this time.**

SATs Revision for Year 6

Don't forget the Year 6 SATs revision class on Wednesday 24th April from 10am-2pm. Remember to bring a packed lunch!

Calling all green fingers....

This week we sent out a letter about Garden Club starting weekly from Friday 3rd May. If your child is interested in attending this, please complete the form and return it to us by Monday 29th April 2019. The cost of the club is £3.50 per week.

Attendance for the last week

Attendance for the last week is as below-

Reception-86.25%

Year 1-91.79%

Year 2-100% (Well done)

Year 3-92.07%

Year 4-98.46%

Year 5-100%

Year 6-99.29%

Be Considerate

Could everyone show some consideration to the neighbours of our school. Please refrain from parking outside their houses on zig-zag lines or white lines blocking their driveways. Parking can often get quite chaotic and poor parking can prevent those who live on Convent Drive from getting off their drives plus it means that an ambulance could not get through should an emergency occur. Can we also ask that parents and children do not sit on neighbours walls or put rubbish in their gardens.

Save the date

The PTA summer fair will be on Friday 28th June after school -We will be asking for donations of quality toys, teddies, second hand uniform, books, DVDs and plants. If you would like to run a stall on the day please let the PTA know-FOSC@st-clares.leics.sch.uk More information to follow nearer the time.

Uniform

We would like uniform to look smart and to be consistent across school, therefore we are asking you to ensure that your child follows the school uniform policy.

All uniform, shoes, coats, PE kits etc. should be named.

Coats should only be **black or navy**.

The children should be wearing plimsols as their indoor shoes and these should be kept in school at all times.

Please note: after the Easter holidays children should be wearing their summer school uniforms.

For further information on the school uniform please see the attached link-

<http://www.st-clares.leics.sch.uk/pupil-information/uniform>

P.E Uniform

Please ensure that your child is wearing the **correct** P.E uniform and no variations on this. (See the uniform policy on the school website)

Health and Safety during P.E

Children are only permitted to wear stud earrings at school. On P.E days we need children to be able to take these studs out by themselves. If they are unable to do this, then they will be provided with medical tape to put on their ears.

Books for Africa

If you would like to support The Fundanami Trust please read the attached letter. They are currently looking for-books that are in good condition and which are suitable for children from 2 - 13 years old. Pre-school pop up books are great and are welcomed by the nursery schools we also support. Reading books suitable for 9-13 year olds. Reference books that would be suitable for a key stage 2/3 school library. Dictionaries/atlasses for example are always welcome. Text/course books are not normally of any value but any sets of key stage 1/2/3 reading schemes are great. The deadline for these is the beginning of May.

School Library

After Easter the school library will open to children and parents from 3.15pm-4pm on Mondays. Please feel free to come along with your child and read for pleasure.



Congratulations to Year 4 who achieved the silver award with 74% and to Year 5 who achieved the gold award with 92%.

Places Available

We have spaces available across the school in various classes. If you or someone you know is interested in a place, please book an appointment with the school office and we would be happy to show you around.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open every day from 7.45-8.15am, the cost is £3.50 per session. Children arriving after this time **will not** be able to have breakfast. You can drop your children off from 8.30 am onwards for a charge of £1.00.

After School Club

After school club is £3.50 per hour. This includes a snack. The club is open until 5.30 pm every day. It has come to our attention that not all parents are paying for After School Club in advance. If this continues to be the case, then **children will not be able to attend** after School Club.

Bookings need to be booked in advance and paid for in advance-This includes those children who receive pupil premium. If you have booked a place but your child is unable to attend or you need to collect your child early, please let the office know so we can free up a place for others.

Parents must let the staff know daily who the adult is that will be picking their child up from after school club. This can be done via the school office, the class teacher or the After School Club staff.

From after the Easter holidays you will have to ring the doorbell at the side of the hall door and wait outside to pick the children up.

The staff at St. Clare's would like to wish you all a happy and holy Easter. Enjoy spending quality time with your beautiful children. Thank you for your continued support.

Key Dates:

St. Clare's Primary School

Part of the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Academy Trust- Term dates for 2019

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| Easter Break – 2 weeks | Monday 15 th April to Friday 26 th April 2019 |
| Summer Term | |
| School opens | Monday 29 th April 2019 |
| May Day Bank Holiday | Monday 6th May 2019 |
| Last day of half term | Friday 24 th May 2019 |
| Half Term Break – 1 week | Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May 2019 |
| INSET - school closed to pupils | Friday 21st June 2019 |
| Last day of Summer Term | Friday 12 th July 2019(1/2 day) |
| Summer Break | Monday 15 th July 2019 |

Teacher training days=School closed to pupils

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| Teacher Training Day | Friday 21 June 2019 |
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