



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents and Carers,
Apparently, it has been the wettest January on record, and it has rained every day somewhere in the UK. But, that has not dampened our spirits at St Clare's! The children have been fantastic this week representing the school at Football, producing beautiful writing and art work. Well done to all of you!
You all deserve a very restful half term.

Don't forget to check out the Winter Warmer Hub on Monday and the upcoming events in the dates section.

God Bless, Mr Whiteside




Each class voted for their **LOVE** core value champion—well done to all the winners this half term!



Well done to all our award winners this week!



These helpful Year 6s supported Mrs Bailey this week with tidying the bark so that it didn't escape across the playground. Well done to you all!



Today in year 3 and 4 it was Art Day. They were looking at the patterns created and recreating these by printing using polystyrene styles and ink.



Poppy in Year 4 has created a wonderful Kennings poem about Fireworks this week! She has worked really hard on this and thought the “snazzy” silver pens made her writing beautiful.

Well done Poppy.



Football



Our boys football team narrowly lost 1-2 against St Osyth last night. After leading through **Freddie** at half time, the boys conceded two goals in the second half. They play again on **Monday 23rd February away to Holland Haven.**





This week, we got a **special delivery of tyres and tractor tracks** to enhance our imaginative play .

We would like to thank **Target Plant Hire** who donated them. The children have already started playing with them and are really enjoying them.



Mia won the Golden Welly award this week for helping the MDAs in the hall with the younger children! Well done Mia—what a great role model!



St Clare's Dates for the Diary

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| 16 to 20/02/2026 | Half Term |
| Monday 16th Feb | Winter Warmer Hub |
| 17 & 19/03/2026 | Parents Evenings |
| 26 & 27/03/2026 | Easter Performance |



LUNCH MENUS FOR Autumn
23/02/2026
Week 2

All meals for EYFS & KS1 are free and for those entitled to FSM



BCCS

Certificate of Appreciation

Thank you
St Clare's
Catholic Primary School

Please accept this acknowledgement and thank you for your marvellous fundraising efforts raising ~~£2000~~ as part of the Joint Schools Christmas Concert.

We are truly grateful for your support and assure you that this donation will go directly towards helping children and families in our community who turn to us in need. This is essential work and could not be undertaken without the support and kindness of our friends.

Yours sincerely

Bernadette Fisher
Director

On Tuesday, **Martyna and Aurelia** got to help present Bernadette Fisher, the director of Brentwood Catholic Children's Society with a cheque for £3000 to support families who attend Catholic schools.



Bernadette was once again "blown away" with the amount of money raised by the four schools at the Christmas carol concert and wanted to share her gratitude to all who took part and families that attended. BCCS supports 90 schools over the

Brentwood diocese and this money will go towards supporting families.

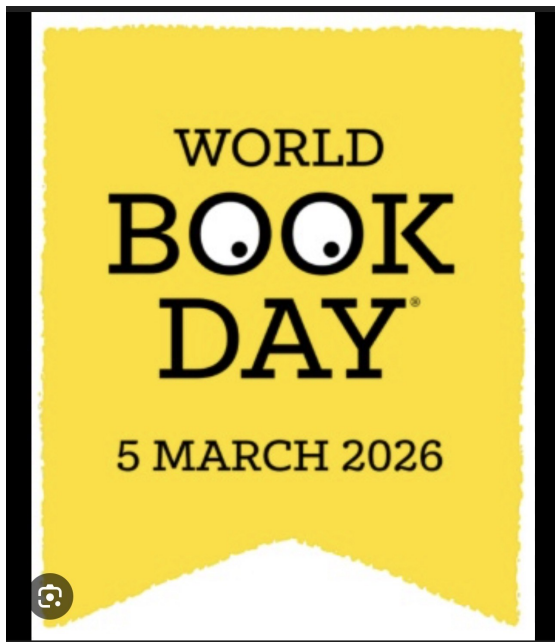


Martyna and Aurelia said: **On Tuesday, we went to support BCCS, which is a family charity which helps children, families and schools. Four other schools came together to ask questions and learn about this charity at St Thomas More's. BCCS has been a charity since 1984. We have raised over £3000 for this successful charity from our parents supporting our carol concerts at St Benedicts. The children who were performing the carol concert worked very hard to do it perfectly, so we are deeply thankful**

for you supporting and donating us money for families in need. Hopefully we will earn even more money next year with all the children's and parents help. Thank you for all your help. Aurelia and Martyna learnt a lot and we are grateful we can share it with everybody.



The best attenders this week were Owls with 95.5%. We want to get every class to this number—the more days in school, the better the learning outcomes and more fun at school with their friends.



Decorative pink and green floral garlands at the top.

FEBRUARY HALF TERM FAMILY WARM HUB

St Clare's Primary School
Cloes Lane, Clacton CO16 8AG
Monday 16th February 2026
10am-1pm

Free

- Breakfast/ lunch and refreshments
- **Local information & support for families**
- Winter Warmers
- **Smoke alarms**
- School Uniform bank
- **Term-time programmes / Activities**
- Library services
- **Children's services and activities**

All families welcome
(children must be accompanied)

