



St Clare's newsletter



With Jesus, we learn to love and love to learn.

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Welcome back

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to see all the children back in school looking super smart and ready to learn in their new school uniforms. The children have been settling in nicely and we are looking forward to seeing them next week.

Classroom Highlights

Year 6 off to a spooky start



We have started our autumn term with the David Almond novel – Skellig. As we hadn't yet been introduced to Skellig himself, using clues, we created our own 'Gallery of the Unknown' based on information we had been given from the blurb and the first couple of chapters. The children are really engaged and we are really enjoying our first English unit!

Headteacher's Award



The children have all been working super hard this week and showing their resilience skills! We are super proud of these hardworking children! Keep up the good work.
Well done to our golden boot and welly award winners too!



Important Dates

9th Sept – Whole School Mass

14/15 Sept – Bikeability Year 6

12th Oct – Year 6 Residential

19th Oct – 30th Oct – Half-term

School Lunch



SUMMER MENU

04/09/2026

Week 2

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

Please see menus on the website and in the school noticeboard

The Gift of Prayer



This year, Mrs Konikowska would like to offer each child at St Clare's the chance to pray with their friends and family. Each bag contains: a candle, Word of God, Word of God wooden stand, cross, daily prayers, prayer stand, white cloth and a Prayer Journal. Please encourage your child to write a prayer or a reflection in the journal. Younger children can create a drawing instead. We would be grateful if you could take some photos of children praying at home and send them to your child's class teacher.

School Uniform - Swap Shop

It was fantastic to see so many pupils looking smart in their uniform this week.

The expectation will be that children come in summer uniform as described in our policy.

We are hoping to be able to offer a fully stocked “swap shop” very soon wherein pupils will be given the correct uniform from the swap shop if needed instead of needing to purchase extra.

We are in need of black trousers, shorts, skirts and shoes. If you have any uniform from last year that the children have grown out of please do bring it in to the school as we can use it in our shop.

Many thanks

<u>Boys Winter uniform</u>	<u>Girls Winter uniform</u>
White shirt	White shirt
School Tie	School Tie
Brown V neck jumper (with school logo)	Brown cardigan (with school logo)
Black coat	Black coat
Brown/black woollen hat (optional)	Brown/black woollen hat (optional)
Black school trousers	Black skirt/pinafore
Smart black shoes	Smart black shoes (No heels)
White or black socks	White/black socks or black tights
Summer uniform can be worn from the start of the summer term until October half term	
<u>Boys Summer Uniform</u>	<u>Girls Summer Uniform</u>
White polo style shirt/white short sleeved shirt	White polo style shirt/white short sleeved shirt
Black shorts/trousers	Yellow and white checked dress
Smart black shoes (No open toe sandals)	Smart black shoes (No heels or open toe sandals)
White/black socks (Not trainer socks)	White/black socks (Not trainer socks)
<u>PE Kit</u>	<u>PE Kit</u>
Gold PE shirt	Gold PE shirt
Black PE shorts	Black PE shorts (No tight cycling type shorts)
Brown sweatshirt for PE (Plain- no logos)	Brown sweatshirt for PE
Plain black sweatpants	Plain black sweatpants
<u>Black plimssolls</u>	<u>Black plimssolls</u>
Dark coloured trainers for outdoor games	Dark coloured trainers for outdoor games
Drawstring P.E. bag	Drawstring P.E. bag
Jewellery is not permitted in school with the exception of a watch and small gold/silver studs which the child must be able to remove and insert by themselves for PE.	
If earrings are not removed, the child will not be able to take part in the PE session. The wearing of any make-up including nail varnish, gel nails and false nails is strictly forbidden. Parents will be contacted and asked to remove nail varnish. False nails will not be allowed in school as a matter of health and safety and parents will be contacted and asked for them to be removed.	
Please ensure that any hairbands / hair accessories are plain and functional rather than fashion accessories. Jo Jo bows, large clips/clawclips are not allowed to be worn. Small bows may be worn that are the school colours (black/brown/yellow)	
Uniform will be checked and where deviations from the above are worn a letter home will be sent requesting conformity.	
Hair colour to remain of a natural colour at all times with the exception of charitable days where glitter/washout sprays are permitted.	