



St Clement's and St John's CE Infant School Newsletter

20th March 2024

Thought for the fortnight

~To inspire learning for life; to give you a future and a hope~

"Let all that you do be done in love."

1 Corinthians 16:14

Facebook page

We will use it to share information and celebrate children's learning.

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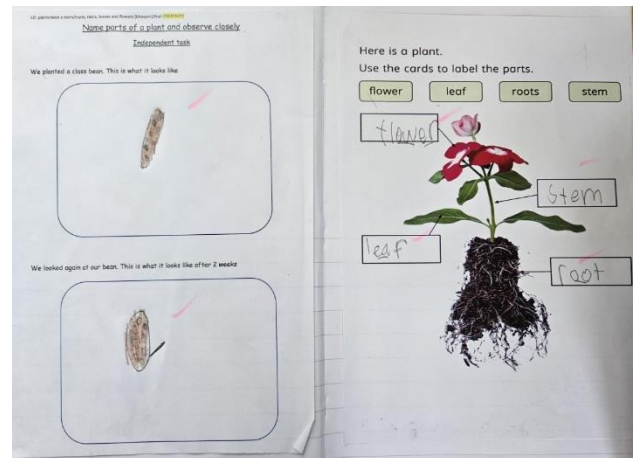
Welcome to March's issue of the school newsletter.

Sadly we seem to be having a lot of rain at the moment! We try to get the kids outside at playtime if we can, so please make sure your child has waterproof shoes and a coat.



Great Learning – Year 1

The Year 1 children are learning about plants and observing how they grow and change over time. To be successful in this half terms learning the children need to be able to name the parts of a plant and the describe and observe how they change and grow.



Diary Dates

Thursday 21 st March	Family Worship in St Clements Church	Thursday 28 th March	NO FAMILY WORSHIP School closed at 1.15pm
Monday 25 th March	Easter Bonnet Parade @ 2.15pm	Friday 29 th March til Monday 15 th April	School closed for the Easter holiday.
Wednesday 27 th March	End of Term Easter Service at St Clement's Church @ 9.15am	Tuesday 16 th April	First day back to school for the children @ 8.40am

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Please come to our Easter Family Worship

Our Easter service is on WEDNESDAY 27th March @ 9.15am.
St Clement's Church (next to school)

There will be NO Thursday service on the 28th March.

Please come along and share in the Easter Celebration.



Easter Bonnet Parade

Come and watch the children take part in an Easter Parade.
Monday 25th March @ 2.15pm (entrance through the playground gates)

The children will make their bonnets at school and then celebrate them with a parade in the playground. Prizes will be awarded to 2 children in each class.

Times of the Day



School Starts at:
8:40am

School Ends at:
3:10pm



Celebrating Birthdays Reminder

We love celebrating birthdays and know how special the occasion is for a child. We love to sing happy birthday and enjoy hearing all about their day.

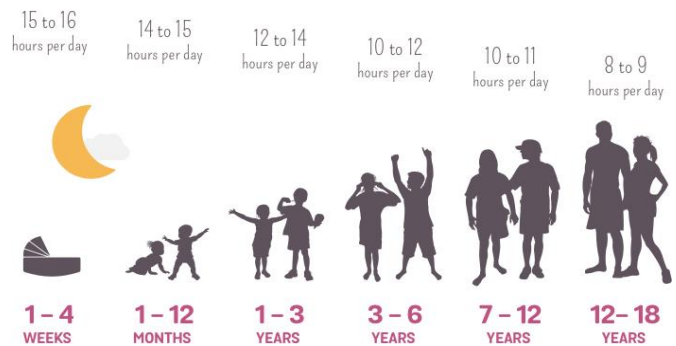
However, we have made the **decision that we will do not allow children to give out party bag type gifts to children in their class.** This includes sweets, cakes or toys. Thank you for your understanding.



Bedtimes

Sleep is really important for children (and us grown ups!) as it aids growth, concentration and improves social skills.

Try to keep to the same routine and timings Each day. Keep bedtimes calm, dark and quiet. Make sure they can't hear the TV in another Room for example.



CHILDREN Sleep Tips!



Bedtime Routine

with activities & habits the same every night



Consistent Bedtime

that allows the needed amount of sleep – during weekend too



Daily Exercise

to burn energy & increase body temperature



Set the Scene

with a calm atmosphere in a room that's cool & dark



Small Snack

before bed that is light & healthy - so not hungry



TURN OFF DEVICES

at least an hour before bedtime

It can be hard to do, but, stop them from watching or playing devices for the hour before they need to go to bed. Try playing a game, reading a book or having a nice bath.

Remember...the better your Children go to sleep the more quiet time you get!

Attendance Corner

We know that the better a child's school attendance is, the better they achieve at school.

At St Clement's we support parents to ensure their child attends well. Here is the process of support:

1. A letter is sent to you to make you aware that your child's attendance has fallen below expected. This gives you an opportunity to improve attendance yourself and/or speak to Tanya Shenton for advice.
2. If attendance does not improve or continues to decline, you will be invited into school for a meeting to discuss what can be done to improve things and if we can support. This meeting will be with Tanya Shenton our Parent Support Worker.
3. In some incidences, where there are significant concerns, you may be put onto a 'Parenting Contract'. This gives you clear actions and is reviewed over a period of time.
4. If poor attendance continues and there is not medical evidence to support these absences, then the school can request a fixed penalty notice from the local authority and you will receive a fine.



If during the Easter holidays you have any concerns or worries here are some useful numbers that could help, whilst school is closed:

Children's Social Care (MASH):

If you are worried about the welfare of a child.
01202 123334

NSPCC:

If you are worried about a child but do not want to contact social services on the above number.
0808 800 5000

Samaritans:

A free listening service. 116 123

BCHA:

Abusive situations and escape advice.
24/7 helpline. 01202 710777

Easter Holiday

The school finishes for the holidays on Thursday
28th March at 1.15pm
(Bethany Junior School finish at 1.30pm).

School is closed on Monday 15th April for staff
training

Children start back at school on Tuesday 16th
April at 8.40am



Parent/Carer Coffee Morning

Friday 26th April 9am

Jenny Gerrard (Our Early Help Navigator) will be attending if you want to discuss any issues you have with parenting, housing or finances. Also the school nurse, Maria Coombs will be there to chat through any medical worries you have.

