



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

This week has been a particular busy one for the children and staff in Year 6 as they completed a week of SATs tests to assess their knowledge and understanding as they come to the end of their time at Primary School. Since the introduction of the new curriculum over 2 years ago these tests are now more challenging than they used to be and test the children on all aspects of the curriculum. I could not be more proud of every single child in the year group. Not only did they try their best but their attitude and effort was commendable. I have told the children that they should be proud of everything they have achieved at this school and they can end the week knowing that they worked extremely hard to 'be the best that they could be'. They should be congratulated for their efforts and I am sure everyone is as proud as I am of each and every child.



It was lovely to see so many children working hard this week and as the weather improved at the end of the week, Year 1 were doing some lovely work in the garden area. As a school we are so lucky to have such a wonderful school environment both inside and outside and I love walking down the main corridor seeing children enjoy the outside space in the garden and the animals. I am sure as the weather continues to improve more and more classes will take learning outside!



Yesterday, you will have received a letter regarding the change to the start of the school day to make up the time lost during the extra week off in October. The changes are now under consultation and I would appreciate your feedback. Please send all responses to the school office – [admin.abp@stcleres.coop](mailto:admin.abp@stcleres.coop) – by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

During drop off this week I have been informed of a number of incidents that could potentially be quite dangerous. Some children are getting out of the car and then walking across the road and through traffic. Some cars are also over taking others because they are finding some cars taking too long. As ever, my number one priority is the safety of the children and I am quite concerned that there could be an accident if people are not patient. Please remember not to spend too long when your child is getting out of the car and also remember that they should only leave the car when the car is parked in the designated area adjacent to the school building. The 'Drop Off' facility is an extremely useful way to get traffic around the school and I would hate to have to change it, but the children's safety is my main concern!



Next week is the 'National Walk to School Week' and all of the children will be asked each day how they travelled to school. Please try to walk to school whenever possible and remember that we have a fantastic walking bus. There will also be a number of activities in school for the children to take part in.

The children in Year 2 will take part in their SATs Tests next week. The children and staff have worked extremely hard this year and I am positive that they will continue to work hard to demonstrate the true potential that they have – Good luck to all of the children and remember to **'be the best you can be'!**

Have a lovely weekend!

*J. A. Bryant*  
Headteacher



This week the **Attendance Trophies** have been awarded to

**KS1**

**Class 3**

**Miss Pugh**

**100%**

**KS2**

**Class 13**

**Miss Reeve**

**99.7%**

***Congratulations to all classes!***

**Whole School Attendance**

**97.8%**



### **Children Coming Into School Late**

This week the amount of learning time lost by 5 children combined was 1 hour and 25 minutes.

Children can enter school from 8.45am and there are some learning activities for them to carry out the moment they enter class. Registration closes at 9am and the first lesson starts at 9am. If children are late they potentially miss the start of the learning process.



### **Bronze Headteacher Award**

This week 10 Bronze Headteacher Awards were presented in assembly. Congratulations to Phoebe Olney, Lily Curd, Roganna Adikaram, Maddie Lewsley, Bethany McCusker, Riley Dowson, Elijah Parkes, Grace Channon, Bradley Allsop-Marsh and Alfie Lawrence. They are now the proud owners of a new ruler! Congratulations!



### **Silver Headteacher Award**

Congratulations to Lucy Hubbard, Amy Gjoni, Mason Sargeant and Mahira Ullah as they were presented with a Silver Headteacher Award for receiving 10 Headteacher Awards. They are now the proud owners of a pen to go with their ruler. Well done!



### **Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers**

Don't forget that we are still collecting the vouchers issued from Sainsbury's. These help us to provide additional sports and cooking resources for the children. **The last date for sending in the vouchers is now the end of May – Keep sending them in!**



### **Cricket Update**

This week the Cricket season got off to a fantastic start with an excellent performance from the girl's team who just missed out on a victory by 26 runs! Mr Heard was impressed with the start made by the girls and he is confident that they will continue to make progress throughout the year.



### Reading Challenge

This ends today!!!

All sponsor forms and money should be handed into the office ASAP. A huge thank you to everyone that took part.



### Date Changes

Please note that due to some unforeseen circumstances we have had to move some key dates towards the end to this term:

Year 6 End of Year Production – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (9.30am and 6.30pm)

Year 6 Leavers Trip – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017 (Information to follow)

Year 6 End of Year Assembly – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 2.15pm

Year 6 Leavers Party – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017 (4pm – 6pm)



### LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

Bikeability – Year 6 – 10<sup>th</sup> May.

SAT's – Year 2 – sent by ParentMail – 10<sup>th</sup> May.

Walk to School Week – All Years – 10<sup>th</sup> May.

Choir Competition – School Choir – 11<sup>th</sup> May.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...



May	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 SATS (No Holidays)
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	SEN Coffee Morning
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 1 School Trip to Colchester Zoo
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 4 School Trip to Colchester Zoo
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 School Trip to Hadleigh Castle
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Uniform Day (Bring a donation for Summer Fete)
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>Holiday</b>
June	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Return to School
	Maths Week

Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Class Photos
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fete
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Phonics Check (No Holidays) Year 2 Phonics Re-Check (No Holidays)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	SEN Coffee Morning
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Father's Day Shop
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sports and Health & Fitness Week
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sports Day
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS – Year 1 Transition Meeting (2.20pm)
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 – 3 Transition Meeting (2.20pm)
	Year 6 End Of Year Production (9.30am and 6.30pm)
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Non-Pupil Day</b>