

Clarendon Road Primary School

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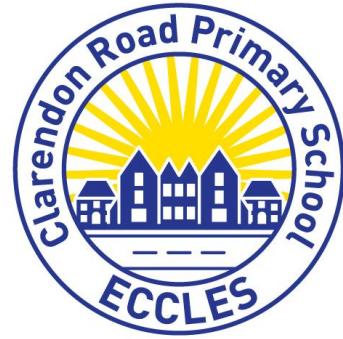
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Filled with pride!

Dear Parents & Carers,

Before I get into the practical details I need to share with you this week, I just want to express the sense of complete **pride** I have in our Clarendon Road community right now.

Faced with yet another challenge, yet another hurdle to overcome due to Covid-19, yet another set of restrictions placed on our lives, our school community has risen YET AGAIN to achieve something amazing TOGETHER.

From the staff in school and staff at home providing high quality learning for all of our pupils;
To the parents trusting us with their keyworker children while they go out to do essential jobs;
To the parents taking on the role of teacher on top of the many other roles they already hold in their home;
To the support staff keeping attendance records, making calls to check our families are safe, keeping our school clean to prevent the spread;
To the kitchen staff keeping our children fed, THANK YOU!

TOGETHER, we have welcomed our keyworker children into school with smiles on our faces, ready to teach and ready to learn.

TOGETHER, we have managed to create home learning that makes us proud, makes our children happy (most of the time!) and that SHINES!

TOGETHER, we have given all of our children, in home and at school, a continued sense of belonging to our Clarendon Road family.

THANK YOU to each and every one of you.

It is your determination to make this work, to support us even when times are hard, to make the very best of a rubbish situation, which keeps us going every day. We couldn't do this without you.

The practical bits!

DEVICES

A short ParentApp survey will go live today. If an extra device at home would help with your home learning, please let us know by 4pm on Wednesday 20th and we will try and get it to you this week to help.

DATA

We still have some free data packs available to use in any device to support your home learning. If you haven't received one, but one like one - just email to let us know.

CELEBRATION AWARDS

Thank you for all the lovely nominations last week – it was wonderful to be able to share these in our celebration assembly and end the week on a high.

Keep sending these each week to celebrate pupils at home and in school. This can be for their work, general attitude or even how they are coping with the changes.

You can nominate your child for a Spirit of School award (Passion, Teamwork, Resilience, Self-belief, Determination, Respect or Honesty) by sending us a message through the school [Facebook messenger account](#).

Please let us know **why** they deserve the award, send a **picture** if you can and **which** spirit they have shown. Send these in each week by Thursday at 4pm ready for assembly on Friday.

You may even want to nominate yourself or a member of your household for supporting the home learning effort or being a critical worker!

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We are switching to the national online voucher scheme from next week. Families who are entitled to benefit-related free school meals will receive vouchers for any child who IS NOT attending school. Please keep an eye on your emails (and junk inbox) from Monday 25th January.

The voucher that you receive will be £15 per child entitled per week until half term
e.g. if you have 1 child you will get 3 x £15 - £45 voucher
if you have 2 children you will get 3 x £15 x 2 - £90 voucher.

If you have not received your email by Wednesday 27th January, please contact the school office.

NURSERY

Our Nursery will be open wider from tomorrow, 20th January, in line with the updated guidance from the DfE.

I contacted all of our Nursery parents yesterday and discussed their options with them. We are looking forward to having some more of our Nursery pupils back with us from tomorrow.

ROAD SAFETY

A member of the public has reported a near-miss to us in the area surrounding school with one of our pupils. Please take care on the roads and remind your children of the road safety rules, especially as it is still quite dark in the mornings and early in the evening.

COVID-19 TESTING

Please continue to follow the guidance for testing even if your child is staying at home.

If a child is unwell in any way, the Salford guidance is to have them tested to rule out Coronavirus. If you cannot book this through 119, please ring the Spirit of Salford helpline and they will book a test for you: 0800 952 1000.

As always, if you have any questions or queries, please contact school:

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Stay Safe,



Mrs R Gallagher
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