



# The Anchor News

25th September 2015

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Hello Everyone!

What a lovely week we have had — the children have been working hard and producing some amazing display work! We hope everyone who celebrated Eid yesterday had a fantastic time and enjoyed spending time with their families. Thank you to everyone who contributed in some way to the Macmillan appeal this afternoon. The money raised will be going to a very worthy cause – helping to fight cancer. Please remember if you didn't make it to the coffee event but would like to donate to this worthy cause you still can!

We have some important information in the Newsletter today— particularly about our Harvest Appeal this year so please take a look and if you can support us by sending food for the Foodbank that would be fantastic — the Aston Nechells Foodbank has provided valuable support for some of our families in need over the last 2 years and we would really like to enable even more people to access it in the future.

Have a great weekend everyone!  
Miss Shryane, Acting Vice Principal.

Q; What's a cow's favourite past time?  
A: Going to the moovies!

## Harvest Festival Friday 2nd October

Next Friday 2nd October will be our Harvest festival. Once again this year, we will be collecting food to pass to the Aston & Nechells foodbank. The food bank serves a wide range of ages and ethnicities, families and individuals in the local area. Please check your child's book bag for a list of suggested items for collection. This year we have been asked to particularly collect **tinned fish, tinned rice pudding, cartons of fruit juice, fruit squash and bags of sugar.** Any donations you can send would be greatly appreciated.



## Spotlight Programme

As you are aware attendance is a high focus here at St. Clement's. To enable us to uphold a high level of attendance at school we run the Spotlight programme.

Letters about this programme were sent out to all families last week highlighting the importance of being in school and the consequences of term time absence.

Leave during term time will not be authorised (except where the circumstances are exceptional) If you take leave that has not been authorised this may end up leading to a penalty notice and legal action being taken.

We have previously had families that were identified as having children with persistent unauthorised absences and through the Spotlight Programme these families were fined over £500 each for continued unauthorised absence.

This is something we do not like to do but is necessary for the welfare of all children attending St. Clement's. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that the Spotlight is still running at school and attendance of all children is monitored on a weekly basis.

Mrs Dowling - Pastoral Manager



Thank you to everyone who donated cakes and contributed to our coffee afternoon today. Please look out for our grand total of money raised in next weeks newsletter.

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## Year 4 Class Trip....

On Monday, Year 4 went on an amazing class trip to Lunt Fort to learn about the Romans.

When we arrived we were greeted by real Romans soldiers and were given a tour of the Fort. We learnt all about how Romans trained in the gyrus and why they were so successful. Raqeeb and Zaara dressed up as a Roman soldier wearing heavy armour and helmets.

In the afternoon, everyone took part in a Roman battle drill and attacked the Celts. Although the weather was rainy and cold everyone had a great time.

Miss Hughes and Mrs Fox



## Book Bags

In both Key Stages 1 & 2 children are given a book bag and Reading Diary and always have reading books. It is important for children to take these home to read with someone in their family **every night**. We encourage family members to write in the Reading Diary to tell us how the child's reading is going and whether they have had any problems or successes.

Please make sure to check your child's reading bag everyday for information sent home by teachers, especially on a Friday when the school newsletter is sent home.



**DON'T FORGET**

We are still waiting on some forms to be returned to the school.

In the last few weeks we have sent out ...

- Health Check forms
- Data Sheets
- Photograph Permission

Please make sure you return these as soon as possible if applicable. If you have any questions please talk to the school office.

# ★ STAR PUPILS

|              |                          |                      |
|--------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
|              | Azaan Khan               | Sana Kiani           |
|              | Shaimaa Sharif           | Kaif Sarfraz         |
|              | Jun Hee Fong             | Ramesah Akhter       |
|              | Makayla Moyo             | Mina Maged           |
|              | Mohammed Ali             | Dhakiyah Warrican    |
|              | Zara Khawaja             | Sayhan Khurshid      |
|              | Muhammed Diba            | Zoab Kiani           |
| Sports Stars | Tyler Billingham-Roberts | Mohammed Hamsa Mahee |

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