

news



Weekly news at your school

This Week at Clare House

We recently had our *Governors' Planning Day*. The governors spent the day in school, they met with the Sarah Lewis (CEO) to hear about priorities for the Trust and discussed the school's priorities. They had lunch with some of the children and listened to children read 1:1 across the school. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to our governors, led by the Chair, Anna Clough, who give up a lot of their time to govern the school and ensure the school is doing its best to serve the children in its care.

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the *Cross Country* event at Crystal Palace on Saturday, they should all be very proud of their achievements. Thanks also to Mr. Leonard for organizing our team and other staff who supported at the event.

We are hoping to have live audiences at some of our Christmas performances this year, but attendance will be restricted due to current Covid infection rates and we want to ensure that we do not increase risk to children and staff that may affect their Christmas break. It may be necessary to cancel at the last moment in which case the performances will be recorded and shared via TEAMS.

Please be aware that the usual end of term Carol Concert will not be taking place. It would have been unwise with the ongoing Covid situation but, in any case, we are unable to use the Church this year as they are having some essential maintenance work carried out.

Have a good week.

Mrs Holland

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Holiday Activities and Food Programme

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[Bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme](https://www.bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme)

Winter Programme

A free and exciting holiday programme for children and young people aged 5 to 16 in receipt of benefit-related free school meals. Take part in sport, music, drama, art, cooking and much more during the winter holiday 2021. Free, nutritious meals will be provided for each session.

Have fun with your friends, learn new skills, gain confidence and get involved!

To find out which activities are near you and to sign up please follow our website link: [Holiday activities and food programme | Holiday activities and food programme | London Borough of Bromley](https://www.bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme)

Or contact: HolidayActivitiesandFood@bromley.gov.uk

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St Christopher's Reindeer Dash – Friday 3rd December 2021



A reminder that on Friday 3rd December, we will be organising our very own Reindeer Dash to support our local hospice, St Christopher's. The children and our staff will be dashing around the playground wearing fabulous fun reindeer antlers kindly provided by St Christopher's.

Please see details below as to how you can support this cause:

- Our online fundraising page is now accepting donations at www.justgiving.com/Clare-House-Primary
- Share details about our Reindeer Dash and the fundraising page with friends and family members and encourage them to sponsor your child/children.
- It would be amazing if you could give your child/children a pound coin to bring with them on the day of the Reindeer Dash.

St Christopher's Cake Sale – Friday 3rd December 2021

Year 5 will be holding a cake sale on Friday 3rd December after school at 3.20pm on the

playground to raise further funds for St Christopher's. Cake donations would be greatly appreciated and should be brought to the office on the morning of the sale. Thank you for your support.

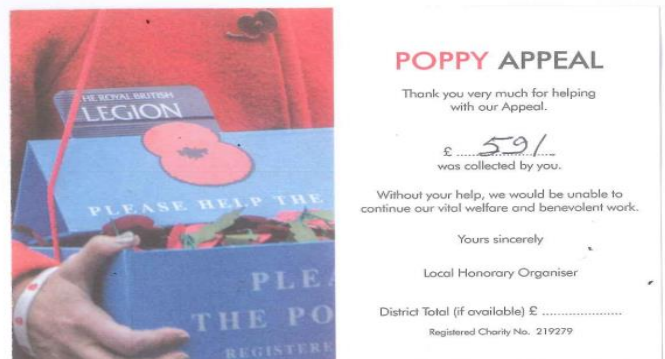
Raring2go

Please find below the link to the Winter edition of Raring2go. Raring2go are running a Book Bundle Competition in this edition. There are some great quality, educational and fun books for children across a wide age range to read. To enter all you need to do is click on the advert on page 25.

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/bromley/winter/>

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone that contributed to the Poppy Appeal this year. The school raised an £591 for the British Legion.



Dates for your Diaries

- Friday 26th November – Y6RB Class Assembly
- Friday 3rd December – St Christopher's Hospice Reindeer Dash
- Friday 17th December – Break for end of term

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Christmas Fair Donation Week

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone that bought in their hamper donations, 'No Adults

Allowed' gifts, and jolly jars last week. The amount of donations was amazing!

This Tuesday at pick up, members of the PTA will be holding a second-hand clothes sale where you will be able to buy festive jumpers and nativity costumes. So come along and see what's on offer.

On Friday we will also be collecting bottles for the bottle tombola and the children may come into school in their festive or own clothes.

Christmas Raffle

This year's Christmas Raffle is our biggest yet with amazing prizes waiting to be won, thanks to the generosity of local businesses. Our prizes include a £250 Vanity Lab London voucher, LED Micro Scooter, £100 Cash, Google Home Hub, Yoga Pass and much more. Please return your completed ticket stubs and cash to the school by Thursday 2nd December. All unsold tickets are also to be returned by this date.

Christmas Trees

Pre-order your Christmas Tree for collection at the Clare House Christmas Fair. Trees will be netted and ready for collection between 2-3pm at the Fair. There are a range of trees available from 5-10ft, and pot grown trees. Order online on our PTA-Events site.

Volunteers Still Needed

Thank you to all the parents that have offered to help at our Christmas Fair. We really appreciate it because we can't run events like the Fair without your help.

We need volunteers to help between 1-2pm and 2-3pm at the Fair taking place on Saturday 4th December. Could you volunteer one hour of your time to help cover a stall?

If you would like to help make this event happen and get involved with fellow parents, please click on the link below to volunteer your time, as we are not sending paper volunteering slips this year.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/clarehouseprimary/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=40511#.YYAqoS-l17M>

Christmas Party (Adults-only) - Friday 10th December

Looking to have an end-of-term social? Come and join our adult-only Christmas Party being held in the school hall on Friday 10th December. The PTA will run a licensed bar and there will be classic party tunes from our very own 5-piece 'Beckenham Band'! Bookings can be made now via our PTA-Events booking link below.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/clarehouseprimary>

We are also on the lookout for a sound engineer to help our band on Friday 10th December. Email pta@clarehouse.bromley.sch.uk if you are able to help.

Christmas Art Fundraiser - My Child's Art

There is still time to check out your child's artwork if you haven't already. The children have produced some amazing designs and you can now order cards, tea-towels, mugs, water bottles, candles, sweet jars, jigsaws, tote bags and much more! Goods will be delivered to your home. Below is the direct link for the online portal. Order by Wednesday 8th December to guarantee delivery before Christmas.

<https://mychildsart.co.uk/order/parent-portal/login/?username=ClareHouse&password=DRn6DnN6>

Thank you
Clare House PTA