

# **Clare Mount Specialist Sports College**



**July 2019**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As the school year comes to an end and I reflect on the fantastic year we have had, I am so very proud of all our school has accomplished.

Never a school to rest on its laurels, our achievements have been recognised nationally as Clare Mount won the Silver Pearson's Secondary School of the Year award, about which you will read further on in this issue. In addition, we are the first school in Wirral to be re-accredited with the School Games Platinum Award, recognizing our continued commitment to sport and we were shortlisted for the Education Business Awards held recently in London.

At the top end of the school, the Year 11's and 6<sup>th</sup> Form students enjoyed their Summer Prom on Friday; they danced the evening through, dressed up to the nines. They had a fantastic time and looked so incredibly grown up! It's hard to remember them as a group of slightly apprehensive 11 year olds walking into school.

At the other end of the school, members of staff and students alike have welcomed the children joining us in Year 7 in September. These students excitedly visited on their Induction days in preparation to start their learning journey with us and we look forward to welcoming them in the new academic year.

So much of what we do is supported by the parents and carers of our students and, in particular, I would like to say a huge thank you to all for supporting our Summer Fair. It was brilliant to see so many of you there. Special thanks also to the 'Friends of Clare Mount' and members of Clare Mount Staff who have worked really hard to make our main fundraiser of the year the success it was. The Friends of Clare Mount work tirelessly during the school year and I cannot thank them enough for their efforts.

We have had many visitors in school this term, as you will read further on, including the Lord-Lieutenant of Merseyside, who joined us during our British Values Week tea party.

Our Japanese themed 'Culture and Creativity' days were jam-packed with activities. A lot of fun was had by all and the hours of planning certainly paid off. Please read on to see all the fun events that went on or visit our website to see all the photographs.

Celebration Assembly was another great opportunity for us all to come together during the last few days of term. It is always a time to reflect on what has been achieved and to celebrate successes.

The end of term brings the inevitable good-byes: Mr Griffiths is retiring having given a fantastic 22 years service to the Maths department; the dynamic TA Mr Egan leaves to take up a teaching post with Oldershaw Academy; TA Ms Gillett, is leaving for University and we thank her for her support in the classroom; and Mrs Cordy, who has cooked and served our school lunches with a wonderful smile for the last 2 years. Finally, we wish all our the students leaving us from Years 11 and 6<sup>th</sup> Form, the very best of luck for the future and sincerely hope that they come back and pay us a visit.

Wishing you a happy summer break

Kim Webster

Headteacher, July 2019

## Memorial Bench

As you all know, Miss Murphy (Mrs Borland) sadly passed away on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The boys in her form 10M were very much saddened by her passing. They decided to write a memorial for her with their own words to describe their feelings for her. She was a very much loved teacher. They presented their memorial to a few members of staff and to Miss Murphy's husband, his parents and her parents. It was a beautiful and very moving memorial that touched the hearts of all.

They also fundraised, as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award work, and decided to use part of the money to buy a bench in her honour. It now sits in the Sensory Garden.

Well done boys. You have done Miss Murphy and her family proud.  
Mrs Boyle



## Congratulations Tom!



Former pupil Tom, who left Clare Mount two years ago, recently completed his Customer Service Level 2 course at City of Liverpool College. He's pictured here with his award for 100% attendance and general commitment!

Mrs Webster

## Congratulations Michael!



Michael recently took part in the 15 mile charity Bikeathon, with his Dad, to raise funds for Bloodwise, helping to beat blood cancer.

Mrs Hewitt

## Congratulations Sam!



Sam has played games for Cheshire Disability Cricket Squad under coach Chris Edwards against Yorkshire and Lancashire recently. He has been attending practice for the last year or so whilst building up to playing competitively.



# & Creativity

In February Mr Allkins travelled to Japan and visited schools and sites of interest. To celebrate this our Culture and Creativity theme was Japan! We wanted to learn more about the countries cuisine, art and traditions. Pupils took part in nine different workshops led by Clare Mount staff and outside providers.

Miss Hanley demonstrated Sushi making and pupils made their own Sushi roll using a special rolling mat and sheets of seaweed. Some pupils even tried Wasabi!



Movema Dance Company came in and taught traditional Japanese games to warm up and then pupils did a wonderful Japanese dance. The pupils were amazing and remembered all the moves and had to choreograph their own section.

Mrs Booth and Mrs Stephenson helped pupils make Hachimaki (headbands) just like the Karate Kid! Pupils created their own headbands using Japanese symbols of their choice.



We welcomed Sharon from Edsential to our event to lead pupils in a Takio drumming workshop. These huge drums require a lot of energy and make a huge sound!





We also said Konichiwa (hello) to the lovely ladies from Tomorrows Women who taught pupils Origami the art of paper folding. Pupils made cups out of paper that actually worked! They also make elegant swans.



Mr Allkins was impressed with the calm respectful behaviour of pupils as they listened to the sad story of Hiroshima. Mr Allkins then taught students to make a Japanese fortune teller.

Mrs Grindrod kindly led an Anime workshop. Pupils had the opportunity to watch a bit of Spirited Away from the famous Studio Ghibli. Pupils then created their own character.



We Invited Chris from Judo Education and Wirral Tai Kwondo to teach pupils some

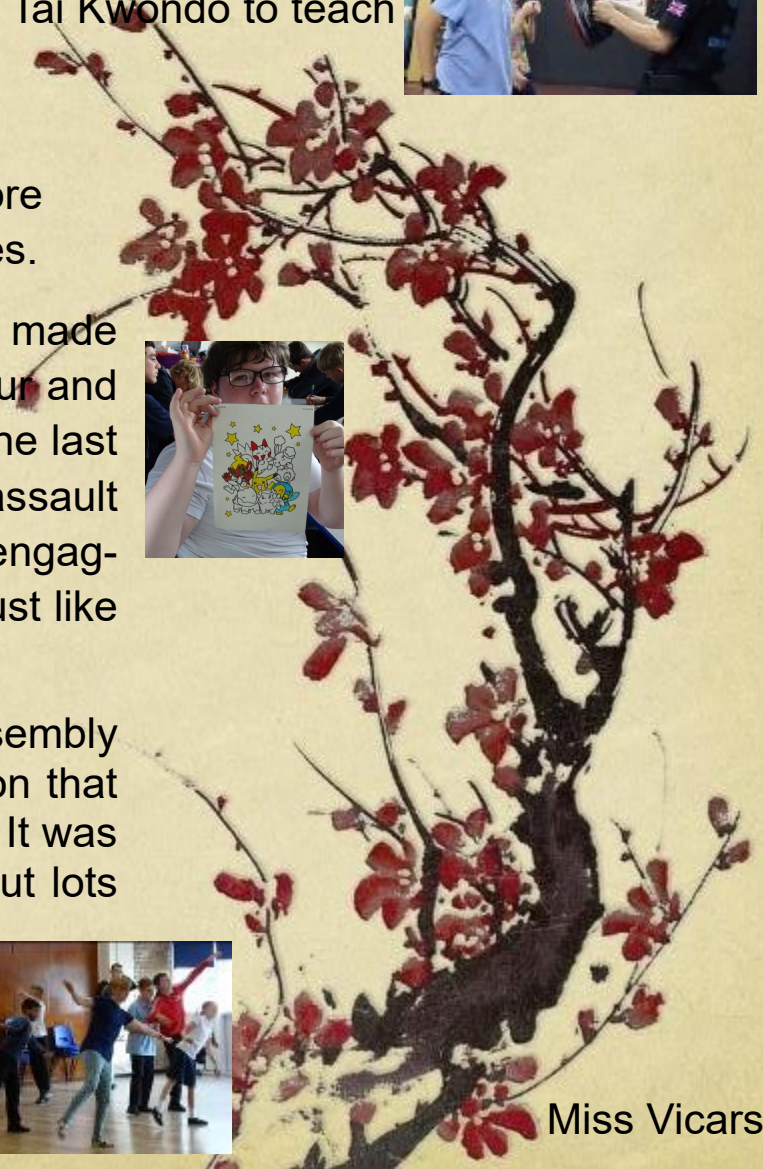


martial arts. Pupils wore Gi the special jacket and trousers before learning some impressive moves.

Once again comments were made about pupils' respectful behaviour and polite listening to instructions. The last of our workshops was a tricky assault course using light sabers and engaging in the Japanese art of Zen just like the Jedi knights!



On Thursday we had an assembly sharing all of the new information that we had learned with each other. It was a fun two days and we found out lots of new information.



Miss Vicars

# Konnichiwa

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019, the Clare Mount Japanese Club went on a trip to Liverpool to experience sushi making. The group had a fantastic afternoon at HAKU Sushi, Liverpool and learnt a lot about Japanese culture and delicacies. We tried a range of different sushi and learnt how use chopsticks.

Miss Grindrod



## Further Congratulations to Sam!



On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July, Sam Vaughan was crowned Greenbank Sports Academy (Merseyside) Young Sportsperson of the Year in a ceremony at the Academy. Sam is a keen sportsman and represents the school in cricket whilst also enjoying Swimming and his passion Taekwondo. Sam has been a member of Wirral and Chester Taekwondo Academy since April 2016, which he accessed whilst at Hayfield Primary when attending Community Sports Night at Clare Mount following a six week course ran by Inclusively 'Taekwondo.' Sam attends both Inclusive and mainstream classes, training with his Dad. He has achieved a red belt and is due to grade in September for his red belt/black stripe. After that he will aim to achieve his black belt over the next six to nine months.

He has competed in a number of tournaments in the Inclusive sections and won numerous medals. Most recently in April he competed in the North Wales Inter Club competition at Deeside Leisure Centre and gained a gold medal in sparring, a gold in speed kicking and a silver in patterns. Taekwondo has helped Sam build his confidence, his resilience and allowed him the opportunity to excel in a sport he loves. Sam loves to train with his Dad and never misses a session.

Mr Byrne

## **GREAT NEWS FOR HUNDREDS, TENS AND UNITS !!!**

Year 11 students have been supporting the Oaks School, Sierra Leone.

The children from Oaks School have really enjoyed having the opportunity to work in groups and operate the counting devices made by Mr Hughes and his Year 11 form.

The photographs below show Clare Mount students helping to make the devices and they show students from Oaks School working in groups and learning about place value.



Mr Hughes has received a lovely letter from two of the Maths teachers thanking him and the students. The teachers have suggested that Clare Mount might be able to extend the project up to Thousands, Tens of Thousands and even Hundreds of Thousands!

Clare Mount students have taken it one step further yet again: "We have discussed the idea in form time and decided we should take one step further and make the new device go up to a Million !!!"

Mr Hughes (Shoes)



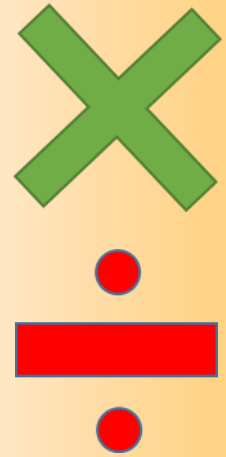
## **Thank you!**

Huge thanks to Mr Steve Howard, who has donated a shiny new wheelbarrow to the 6<sup>th</sup> form. He has also dropped off two tonnes of soil and has used the rotavator to sort out the floor in the greenhouse. Amazing! Thank you so much.

Miss Vicars



# Active Learning Week 2019



As part of the Youth Sport Trust's National School Sport Week, Clare Mount introduced 'Active Learning Week' between Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. The aim of this week was to improve activity levels during learning for both pupils and staff, and to use lesson time to do this. Having already trialled, and bought in to 'Maths of the Day' to engage pupils in Active Maths, the evidence was there to support the view that pupils feel better and engage more in lessons which require them to be active.

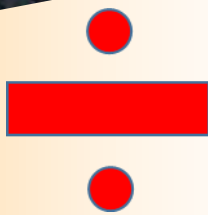
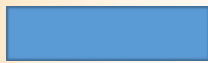
To develop on the Active Maths already taking place in school, Mr Blessing, Mrs Hewitt and Mr Byrne challenged all staff to add some sort of physical challenge or exercise to their lessons. The challenge to pupils was to engage in active learning, and to enjoy the benefits of exercise such as improved concentration, focus and increased self-esteem.

The staff at Clare Mount didn't disappoint! Mrs Perry was seen on the yard with her Year 7s, investigating Roman Roads. Mrs Boyle had her Year 9s out of their seats for some Life Skills. Mr Waters spent his form time playing Skittles on the yard, had his Year 8s out of their seats during English, and played 'Beat the Teacher' with his Year 7s. The teacher lost! Mr Gavin had some mathematical Dodgeball with Year 9s, and measured how far paper aeroplanes would travel with Year 8s.

Pupils loved the week and it was great to see so many of our pupils engaging in new activities, and so many staff teaching cross curricular lessons with less sitting in classrooms. Children should be active for at least 1 hour each day.

Hopefully this week has inspired lots of our children to keep active more than they already are.

Mr Gavin



# Spotlight on a Sports Star

Miss Badzire Interviews Esme to find out how she won her 3 medals

Esme has been having riding lessons for a few years at Wirral Riding Centre. Two years ago she started attending the Special Olympics sessions on Tuesday evenings. Over the course of the last two years, Esme has progressed from the lead rein walk & trot class to the next group where she rides completely independently at the walk, trot and canter.

Esme is proud to wear her Special Olympics sweatshirt every week! Special Olympics is about competition as well as enjoyment and in order for the athletes to be eligible for the National Games in 2021 they have to have competed both regionally and locally. This has been the focus of her lessons this year. On July 8th 2019 Esme took part in the Dressage and Equitation classes at the North West Local Competition. She rode in the C1 class which means she doesn't have any leader and the test is in walk and trot. Esme ended up winning silver medals in both the Dressage and Equitation events. Esme said "Riding is hard, in fact it's very hard, but I did it and I look very smart in my uniform!"



A few months ago, Esme took on a new sports challenge. Esme's mum downloaded the App Couch to 5K. Esme struggled at first and could only manage 1 minute of running. She showed resilience and kept going, no matter the weather, or how busy she had been at school. Esme had a mantra to keep her focussed, "Just think about the medal!". Her perseverance paid off and at the beginning of July, Esme took part in a 5K run and raised over £100 for charity and of course, Esme got her medal

Well done Esme, we are all very proud of you!.



## Find Your Tribe - Girls Active

As part of the Youth Sport Trust initiative "Girls Active" the girls in Clare Mount have been taking part in a number of different activities throughout the year to promote the health and well-being of girls aiming to increase participation levels for girls in physical activity. To celebrate their achievements for the year, Mrs Grayson and Miss Webster had the fantastic opportunity to take 25 girls to the Water Sports Centre in the Albert Dock.

The girls had a great morning canoeing from King's dock through to the Albert Dock and back again, there were plenty of tired arms, but not too tired to resist jumping in the dock before getting changed.

Back at school, Megan from Spa came in and turned the Hall in to an Ultra Violet Arena; the girls and staff painted each other with UV face paints ready for UV dodgeball. It was great to see all the girls involved and having fun throughout the day.



Can we do more stuff with just us girls? Summer y9

I've had an amazing day!  
Maddy y7

This is the best day ever! Sarah-Mai y8



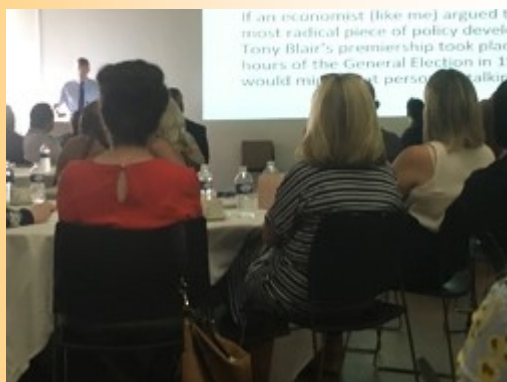
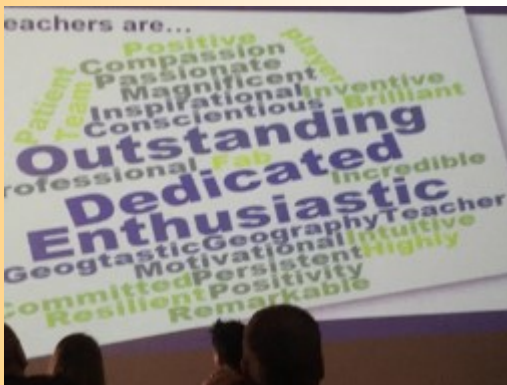
## LJMU Mentee and Mentor of the Year Award Celebrations

Clare Mount are very proud to announce that Miss O'Looney was shortlisted for Mentee of the Year. She completed her Teacher Training with us this year through School Direct and has been an asset to the PE Department and the whole school. She has been successful in gaining employment so we are delighted for her but she will be missed so much.

Mrs Grayson was shortlisted for Mentor of the Year, which was important recognition of all the fantastic work that she does to support our trainee teachers and help them become the best teachers of the future.

They both attended a celebration talk and buffet at Liverpool John Moore's University with a talk from the President of the Chartered College of Teaching. It was a lovely afternoon and it was well deserved!

Ms Evans



## CLARE MOUNT ACHIEVES THE PRESTIGIOUS SCHOOL GAMES PLATINUM AWARD

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Platinum Award for the 2018/19 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

There isn't enough space here to list the many reasons why we have achieved this award but in summary it is because of our continuing commitment to use the power of sport, physical education and physical activity to inspire our young people to be the very best learners, athletes, citizens and role-models they can be.

We were the first school in Wirral to achieve the Platinum level of the School Games Mark and we are once again the first to be re-accredited at this level. We can only achieve recognition such as this with the support of the whole school community; staff, pupils, governors, parents and our ever-growing network of partner organisations.

This accolade has topped-off what has been a truly amazing term for the Clare Mount community.



# Year 11

Work  
Experience

Yet another successful year was enjoyed by all of our students on Work Experience:

*23 Different companies used with lots of different job roles we had PE Technician, Catering Assistant, Retail Assistants, Engineering, Farm Assistants, Mechanics, Support Workers, Library Assistant and Classroom Assistants*



Reeve Customer Service Assistant,  
The Light Cinema



Owen, Jade, Leah & Joseph—  
Farm Assistants Woodchurch  
High School Farm



Kacey Retail Assistant New Life



Ben Library Assistant Moreton Library

# Year 11

Work  
Experience

We have had excellent feedback from the employers this year here is an example of some of the comments.

Merseyside Car Hospital *"Jamie has been a good addition to the workforce"*

Pets at Home *"Connor has performed well and is a very nice young man and we wish him all the very best"*

Autism Together *"Thank you Jamie for all your hard work it has been a pleasure working alongside you"*

Woodchurch High School PE *"Khi's work ethic has been excellent and his confidence has grown every day well done Khi on an excellent week"*

Well Done Year 11, you have made me very proud!!!!

Miss K Magnall WRL Coordinator



Ben - Classroom Assistant, Stanley School

# MULTICULTURAL

## market

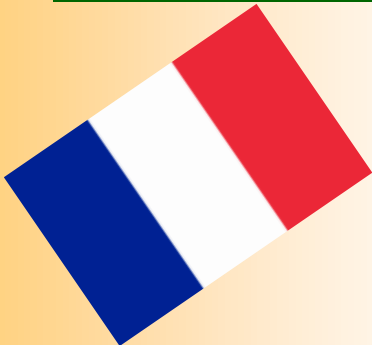
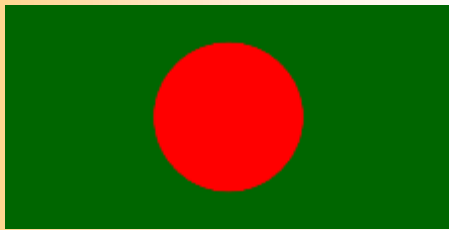
On 14<sup>th</sup> of May, during Refugee Week when we celebrate being a School of Sanctuary, we had visitors in from MEAS (Minority Ethnic Achievement Service), who helped deliver a multicultural market to our Year 8 and 9 students.

We had visitors in from Bangladesh, Portugal, China and France, with staff representing Mexico, Poland, Pakistan, Syria and the UK.

Students were able to visit four different 'countries', learn about their traditions, language, food and life, while taking part in different arts and crafts activities.

It was a very interesting, informative and fun morning for all who attended.





# FRANCE

31 pupils and 10 staff have just returned from a “fantastique” trip to France. We managed to pack in a trip to a market, a river cruise, the Eiffel Tower, the Champs Élysée, the Arc de Triomphe, a trip to Disneyland Paris and a visit to Sacre Coeur at Montmartre too! The weather was extremely hot; 42\* when we climbed the Eiffel Tower!

I would like to say a massive well done to all of the pupils – you were amazing during what was an action packed and busy week. Also, a big thank you to all the staff who made the week go so smoothly.



# SUMMER FAIR



The weather was kind to us this year and we had a fantastic Summer Fair and raised just over £1000 – and we're still counting.

This year we had a lot of various stalls including a Book Stall, Crystals and Reiki, Bric-a-Brac, Tin Can Alley, Hook a Duck, Bottle Tombola, Cake Sale, Hot Dogs, Ice Cream, Bouncy Castle, Plant Sale provided by the 6<sup>th</sup> form, plus our raffle.

Everyone had an amazing time. A wonderful turn out from visitors, stall operators and everyone else who helped.

Thanks to all who supported the day and especially to Mrs McCannon and Mrs Stephenson, who put in so much work to make the day a success!



## British Values Week & The Lord-Lieutenant of Merseyside's visit

Clare Mount dedicated the week of 17<sup>th</sup> June – 20<sup>th</sup> June to British Values Week, where students learned about British Values in PSE lessons.

This year's focus was on the value of 'Mutual Respect' and 'Accepting Other's Beliefs'.

On Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> June, Friday, all students were invited to take part in the Clare Mount Street Party.

It was a fantastic week, which was highly enjoyed by all. It was especially exciting this year as it was attended by various guests.

We had visitors from the Upton Grange Care Home who took part in a tea dance with Clare Mount's Active Age Leaders lead by Mrs Poynton, as well as stayed for our street party. The visitors were asked to describe the day in one word and the feedback was I asked all 6 of my residents to describe the day in one word and the feedback included, 'wonderful, brilliant, and fantastic!'

We had other visitors taking part in our street party this year: members of the Friends of Clare Mount, our Catering staff, who worked hard making the food for the street party, our Chair of Governors, Breda Dutton, and Governor Gaby Crolla.

Gary Rothlisberger, a representative from Pearson Education, was also present, who came to inform the school of our success at winning a Silver Award, in the National Pearson Education Awards, in the category of Secondary School of the Year: "Making a Difference".

Finally, we were privileged to have Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant Mr Mark Blundell, as our honoured guest, for which all staff, students and guests stood up when he arrived and when he left. He presented the Pearson Silver Award to Mrs Webster, along with Gary Rothlisberger and Breda Dutton.

We had performances from our signing choir and George Murphy, who sang an incredible rendition of Calvin Harris and Rag'n'Bone Man's 'Giant'.

With this being a celebration of British values, it was fantastic to give each pupil a carton of Vimto – donated from a great British company and it is with grateful thanks that we received these.

It was an amazing street party this year, where we celebrated appreciating and valuing the life and freedoms that being a British citizen gives us all, as well as understanding the British Values that makes this country great.



# COMMUNITY NEWS

As part of working with the community Audrey Stocker, Mariners Park, Activities Coordinator, has been working with Jon White PE and Sport Specialist at Clare Mount Sport College.

Audrey and Mr White asked the boys and the residents if they would like to get together for a bowling and Boccia afternoon. On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June the boys and residents got together, one group of residents showed the boys how to play crown green bowls, and a group of boys showed the residents how to play Boccia. After a few games the residents and children had some lunch before continuing and swapping over.

This project is about using the power of physical activity and sport to help different generations combat loneliness, inactivity and make strong community links.

Audrey said that the afternoon was a great success and that both the residents and the boys seemed to really enjoy themselves. Her hope is to continue working with Clare Mount Specialist Sports College.

Mr White



# Science<sub>6</sub> = mc<sup>2</sup> Club

This term our theme has been 'Summer' and we have had lots of fun doing activities with a summer holiday twist.

One of the most popular weeks was when we made ice cream using custard, zip lock bags, ice and salt. There was a record turn out and everyone enjoyed eating what they had made.

A special mention needs to go out to Evan and Elijah in year 7 who have been to every single Science Club since they began which is a fantastic achievement. Well done!

Also a big thank you to Mr Garvey who has helped to set up Science Club each week.

Science Club will return in September and will be open to all students in KS3.

Mrs Fogarty





## World Inclusive Games 2019

Clare Mount pupils were invited by the International Sport Federation (ISF) to represent England in the 1<sup>st</sup> World Inclusive Games in Portugal. Mr Gavin and I flew to Porto on 12<sup>th</sup> July for 5 days with 6 athletes to compete in the games.

The athletes had an exciting 5 days ahead of them, with not only competing in a world event and representing England but also having a unique opportunity to meet peers from other countries and find about their school life.

During our time in Portugal we competed in individual and team events in 100m, shot put, and long jump. The athletes got to try different water sports including paddle boarding, sailing, canoeing, and motor boats. We had a guided tour of Porto, visiting the historical boat museum and admiring the views from the top of city. We took part on a cultural presentation of England, where George Murphy sang in front of all the delegation.

On Day 2 and Day 4 we competed in the athletic events in the Stadium of Varzim, all athletes achieved personal bests in their events. Caitlin Carter from Year 10 achieved a silver medal in the Long Jump with a jump of 3.62m, Caitlin also achieved gold in the 100m with a winning time of 15.9secs. During the team competition each athlete represented England in two separate events.

Every pupil did themselves, their school and their country proud. It was a pleasure to be there watching them develop as young adults, and the support they gave each other was amazing to see. We would encourage everyone to step out of their comfort zone in the way Caitlin, Rachel, George, Liam, Alfie and Sam did.

Mrs Grayson

Some of our favourite moments:

Watching all the athletes get a Personal Best in their events

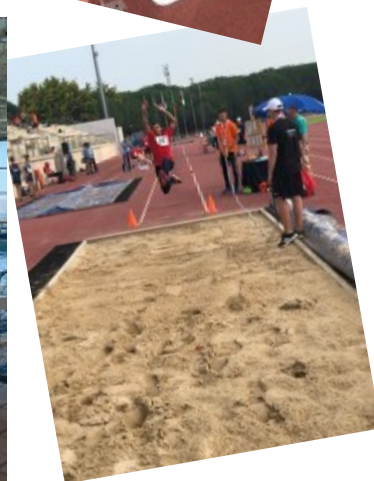
Sam trying to open the wrong room with his key

George singing Giant for our cultural presentation in front of 5 other countries

Nearly losing Rachel and Mr Gavin on the motorboat

Watching all the kids make friends with the

The support and encouragement all pupils gave each other throughout our time away!





# Sign Language Choir



The Sign Language Choir are going from strength to strength this term. We have been working on a fantastic medley of songs including 'Bohemian Rhapsody' and 'Nine to Five' to name just two. We then started working on Ed Sheeran's 'Photograph' and were excited when we were asked to perform it in front of the Lord-Lieutenant Mark Blundell, as part of our British Value celebrations. We also decided at the last minute to perform 'God Save the Queen' which went down a storm! We were inspired by George Murphy's performance of 'Giant' by Rag 'n' Bone Man and Calvin Harris, so we are now working on this song. Perhaps we will be able to perform it at the end of the year - watch this space!

Mrs Hewitt

## Fit Fun Fest #3:

### Girls Get Active With Kin-Ball!



On Tuesday 2nd July we hosted our final 'Fit Fun Fest' of the academic year; welcoming pupils from Grove Street PS, Orret's Meadow PS and Holy Spirit PS. The theme for this event was 'Girls Active' and the aim was to introduce a brand new activity to a special group of girls in our primary schools. The sport; 'Kin-Ball' is one of Clare Mount's favourite sports; ever since our Healthy Lifestyle Champions introduced it to us in January this year. Here, pictured you can see Ryan from Kin Ball UK and the participants from the three schools. All the girls had a fantastic afternoon, learned plenty of new skills and made friends in the sunshine! Thank you to Mrs Corcoran for 3 brilliant Fit Fun Fests this year and to our wonderful sports leaders for acting as perfect role models as ever!

Ms Corcoran

Clare Mount Sports College are honoured to be involved in the Youth Sport Trust's 'Active in Mind' programme for a second year running. Our athlete mentor Neil Danns spent two half days working with 11 of our pupils back in November, training them up to be Clare Mount mental health ambassadors and mentors for pupils throughout school.

Neil returned for another half day of training with the mentors on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November. The focus on the afternoon was preparing the mentors to be able to deliver some activities around deep breathing to a group of young people in school, which would help them to relax. With support from Mrs. Stephenson, Mrs. McCannon and Mr. Gavin, the mentors showed amazing maturity to take on board all the advice Neil gave them. Over 6 months, the mentors have delivered weekly sports sessions to the nurture group. These sports included mini table tennis, football, dodgeball and Ultimate Frisbee. As well as these sports, pupils were given the option of Walk 'n' Talk, and board/card games. The benefits of the programme have been felt by both the mentors and the nurture group, who have reported feeling a sense of belonging and having someone to talk to over lunch time, when things can get a bit busy on the yard.

Morgan, one of our Mentors in Year 9, believes that Active in Mind is somewhere "...for people, adults and kids, to get involved, have a chat and have some fun..." He also sees it as somewhere that pupils with low self-esteem can leave thinking they have achieved something in life.

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, pupils who participated in the Active in Mind programme will be lucky enough to take part in a workshop run by some of the Great Britain Ultimate team, developing the skills they have developed each week. Well done to all the pupils who took part this year.

Mr. Gavin



## MERSEYSIDE PARALYMPIC PANATHLON

JUNE 26TH 2019

On 26th June, 15 of our Year 9 students represented the school at the annual 'Panathlon' in Wavertree Sports Complex in Liverpool. Luke, Elliott, Ethan, Harvey, Nathan, Matthew, Brandon, Bailey, Matthew, Nathan, Sam, Alfie, Max, Luke and Harry took part in multiple sports including Wheelchair Basketball, Boccia, New-Age Kurling, Football, Basketball and Athletics. The event was attended by 8 schools from across Merseyside.

Our basketball team gained bronze medals in the morning event and we had multiple medals in the athletics; Luke M (Gold), Harvey (Silver) and Ethan (Bronze) with the highlight being a 38.3m 'vortex' throw by Luke. The Boccia squad did brilliantly too winning some of their games.

In the afternoon our football squad finished runners-up in their pool (Silver) and the New Age Kurling team were champions! All of the boys behaved impeccably all day and it was great to see some real teamwork skills developing throughout all of the activities and squads.

Well done boys!

Mr Byrne / Mr Kwiecien



## INSPIRATIONAL VISIT FROM BEN SMITH FROM 'THE 401 CHALLENGE' AND PARALYMPIC LEARNING AND DISCOVERY DAY

The 25th June was a very special day for our students as we received a visit from Ben Smith, Athlete Mentor from The Youth Sport Trust and official Ambassador for National School Sports Week 2019. Ben's story is truly inspirational, not least his incredible endeavour of running 401 marathons in 401 days in 2015-2016. You can read more about this incredible feat and what inspired it here: [www.the401challenge.co.uk/about/inspiration](http://www.the401challenge.co.uk/about/inspiration)



Ben spoke to our community in assembly before joining in with Year 7 PE; his first (and probably last!) ever experience of dodge-ball!! He was given a lesson by our Year 7s, especially Kai!! Ben then listened to some fantastic questions from the students before going for a run with them all outside.

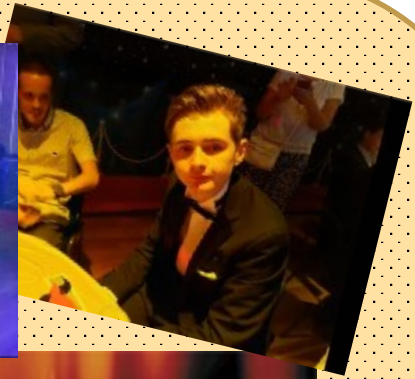
From there, Ben and the team from The Youth Sport Trust joined ANOTHER amazing athlete mentor; Charlotte Hartley from the England Hockey team that won Commonwealth Bronze in 2006, along with Mr White, Mrs Corcoran, our 6th form 'Healthy Lifestyle Champions' (HLCs) and 50 primary-aged pupils from 6 schools across Wirral in a Paralympic learning and Discovery Day at Leasowe Recreation Centre. Our HLCs were perfect role models and sports leaders as the pupils got to experience inclusive badminton, fencing, 'New-Age Kurling,' Boccia, VI Athletics, sitting-volleyball and goal-ball.



An absolutely unforgettable day. We are looking forward to following Ben on his amazing challenge next year; to run 50 marathons, one in each state of the USA in just over 100 days (cycling in-between each one!) totalling 18,500 miles. You can find out more about Ben's charity and USA-2020 here: [www.the401challenge.co.uk/usa-2020](http://www.the401challenge.co.uk/usa-2020)

Mr Byrne





# The Prom

Year 11 & 6th Form Leavers' Prom 2019



Prom Queen  
Mollie  
&  
Prom King  
Oliver



# TRANMERE ROVERS JUNIOR DISABILITY TURN UP & PLAY

INDOOR FOOTBALL AT THE RECREATION CENTRE, BOROUGH ROAD, CH43 9PY

## SUMMER 2019



BE PLACED INTO RANDOM  
TEAMS AND PLAY!

### DATES:

WEDNESDAY 31ST JULY  
WEDNESDAY 14TH AUGUST  
WEDNESDAY 28TH AUGUST

GREAT WAY FOR PLAYERS TO  
DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS.

### CONTACT DETAILS:

COMMUNITY@TRANMEREROVERS.CO.UK  
0151 608 2354

1PM - 3PM  
BOYS & GIRLS AGED 6 - 14  
£5 PER SESSION



## Active All Sports Holiday Programme

Activities being provided for children and young adults with disabilities and specific needs

***This summer Wirral are running an Active all Sports Programme for Summer for children and young people with disabilities and additional needs. Places are limited and are based on a first come first served basis. Further information can be found on the school website: [www.claremountssc.co.uk](http://www.claremountssc.co.uk)***



More people. More active. More often.



# Term Time Schedule 2019 – 2020



## Autumn Term 2019

Open (Staff only)	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> (closed to all students)
*Open ( <u>Yr 7 &amp; P16 students only</u> )	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September (closed to Years 8 to 11)
Open to all students	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Close for half term	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Half Term	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
Open	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November
Closed to students	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November
Close for Christmas	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Holiday	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January

## Spring Term 2020

Open (Staff only)	Monday 6th January
Open to students	Tuesday 7th January
Close for half term	Friday 14th February
Half Term	Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February
Open (staff only)	Monday 24th February
Open (students)	Tuesday 25th February
Close for Spring Break	Friday 3rd April
Spring Break	Monday 6th April to Friday 17th April

## Summer Term 2020

Open	Monday 20th April
Close for May Bank Holiday (VE Day)	Friday 8th May
Close for half term	Friday 22nd May
Half Term	Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May
Open	Monday 1st June
Closed to students	Friday 19th June
Close for Summer	Monday 20th July