

**21 November 2025 - Autumn Term - Week 10**

### **Principal's Blog**

Please read Mr Wilding's latest blog: ["Strength does not come from winning. Your struggles develop your strengths" – Arnold Schwarzenegger](#)

### **School Closure**

Following the flurry of snow we saw on Wednesday morning, a reminder that if school is closed due to weather conditions or any other reason, an announcement will be posted on our website, so please check there as your main source of information. Depending on the circumstance for the closure we will also communicate via text message or email and separate communications will be sent directly from Vectare regarding coach operation.

### **This week at Nursery...**

Learning new vocabulary is occurring all the time in the Nursery and this week the children have been learning what it means for an animal to be nocturnal, diurnal and crepuscular.

Miss Green has played some fun games where she has described an animal and its habits and the children have had to decide which animal she is talking about. She has also played for them the noises which certain animals make. That was tricky!!!

I enjoyed some time in the classroom too, playing a number game. Amazing that so many can recognise their numbers to five and some can recognise beyond.



## **PE**

Calculated risks are important in the Early Years. It is important for building essential life skills such as resilience, problem solving, independence and confidence. By allowing children to navigate challenges in a safe environment, adults help them to learn to assess and manage risks, cope with setbacks, and develop crucial physical coordination and body awareness.

During their weekly PE lessons and Forest School, Miss Reeves and the nursery staff are consistently encouraging these skills.



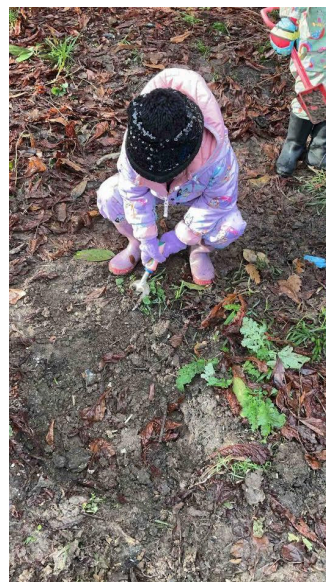
### **Forest School**

With the temperature dropping so drastically this week, a lot of the children really struggled. This is mainly due to clothing. Please can we ask that all children are wearing the following, even if it is not uniform:

- thick trousers/leggings
- multiple warm layers
- thick, winter-style coat or snow suit
- thick socks
- warm waterproof gloves which are easily put on and which children can still manage tasks whilst wearing.
- hat and scarf

We will then remove these layers and warm clothing when they come back for the afternoon. This week, Mr P's objective was to try and get the children to create channels to make a stream. They used spades, sticks and anything else they could find to dig at the soil.





### **Bumble Bees**

Tea with the Gruffalo anyone?



The children love the story of The Gruffalo and The Gruffalo's Child and this week have been using their amazing language and vocabulary to recreate the stories.





...and they have created characters from The Gruffalo.



## **PE**

During their PE session, they were learning to have control over a moving object.





### **Dates to remember**

#### **Wednesday 10 December**

Nursery Christmas lunch with all the trimmings. The children can wear a Christmas outfit on this day

#### **Monday 15 December**

The PTA have treated the children to a Christmas entertainer. This is an annual event and the children absolutely love it.

#### **Tuesday 16 December**

Nursery Christmas singing. Please see the letter [here](#).

#### **Wednesday 17 December**

Last day of term for Beehive class

**NO after school care** on this day for any children. Pick up is at 3.30pm

#### **Thursday 18 December and Friday 19 December**

Last two days of term for the Bumble Bees class.

**Nursery and the whole school reopens on Thursday 8 January.**



## Christmas Trees For Sale - They're Tree-Mendous!

Get your Christmas tree and support the Claires Court Boat Club this festive season!

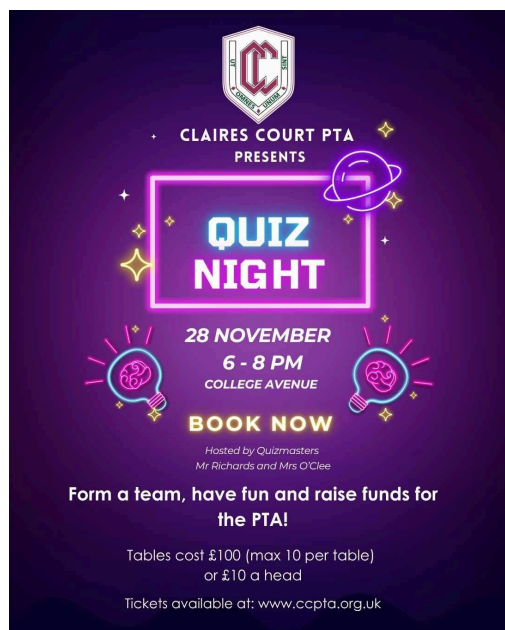
- **How to Order:** visit our [PTA website](#) and order by **Tuesday 25 November**
- **Pick-up:** from Claires Court Senior Boys (SL6 8TE) Friday 5 December (4.45pm-5.45pm) or Saturday 6 December (10am-12pm)

Please look out for further Christmas and End of Term information in next week's bulletin.

## **\*REMINDER\* - FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER - [PTA QUIZ](#) - 6pm-8pm - [Book your tickets now!](#) - Only 2 tables remaining**

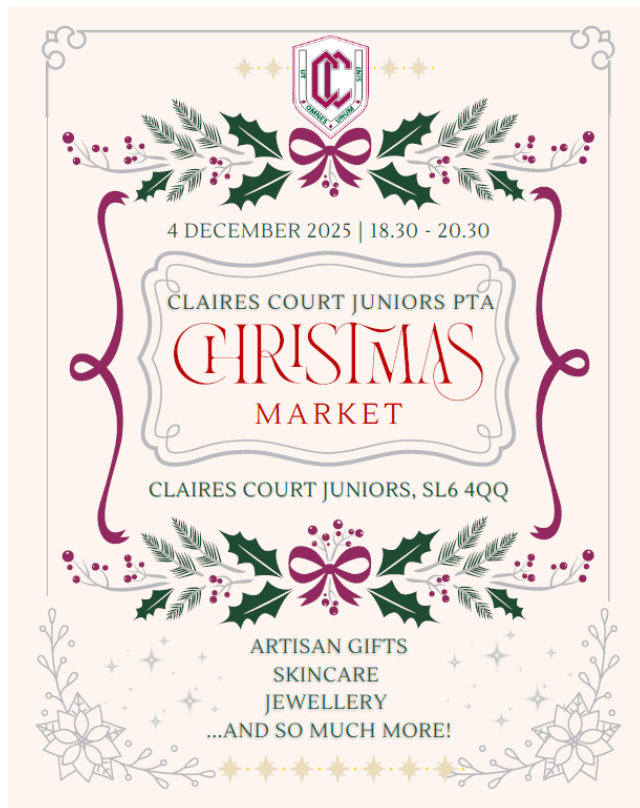
It's time to dust off those thinking caps, rally your friends, and get ready for a fantastic night of fun, friendly rivalry, and fundraising at the annual Claires Court PTA Quiz Night! Come on down to College Avenue from 6-8pm on Friday 28 November.

Hosted by our brilliant Quizmasters, Mr Richards and Mrs O'Clee, this is your chance to form a team (up to 10 people per table), have some fun, and raise funds for the PTA! We'll have a bar run by the PTA selling refreshments, and you're invited to bring your own picnic dinner or takeaway to enjoy during the evening. Tables cost £100 (max 10 people) or £10 per person. Don't miss out on this great community event. Book your tickets and table online now at [www.ccpta.org.uk](http://www.ccpta.org.uk)!



**Thursday 4 December - [PTA Christmas Market](#) - 6.30pm - 8.30pm**  
Join us for our annual Christmas Market and enjoy some festive shopping!

Whether you're looking for that special, unique present or some perfect stocking fillers, there's something for everyone. All ages are welcome.



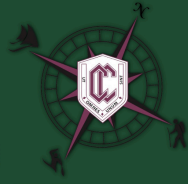
### **Wednesday 3 December - [CC Sailing Christmas Wreath Making Evening](#)**

CC Sailing department and the PTA warmly invite you to a Christmas Wreath Making evening on Wednesday 3rd December at Senior Boys. Ticket price includes: drinks, nibbles, an oasis ring and small decorations. Bring your own foliage and clippers and any additional decorations that you would like to add to your wreath. Book [here](#) via the PTA website.





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# Christmas FUNDRAISER



Tickets at  
**£35**pp

Mulled wine  
and mince  
pies  
included

## DATE & TIME

3rd December 2025  
18:30-20:30

**Book by Wed  
26th Nov**



CC Sailing Department and the PTA warmly invite you to a Christmas  
Wreath making evening with drinks and nibbles.  
(Oasis ring and small decorations provided, BYO Foliage and clippers.)



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