



SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY FLYER

13th May 2016

Everyone is Sacred

Dear Parents and Carers,

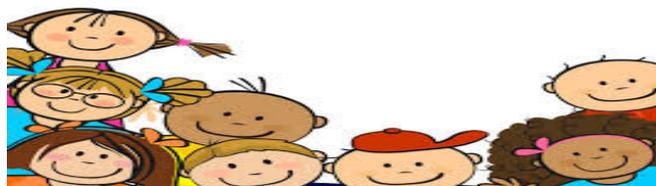
What a wonderful Year 6 class we have at Sacred Heart. They have worked so diligently this week on completing their SAT's whilst keeping their dignity and respect for each other. Well done to all our Year 6 children and a thank you to all the adults who have supported them so well. To-day they are all having a well deserved party day!!

Despite variable weather Year 5 have had a lovely week at Warren Barn. I visited them on Wednesday evening and there was a great atmosphere amongst them all. Years 3/4 had a wonderful time last week on their residential at 'Field and Sea' Beesands. An enormous thank you to all the staff who give so willingly of their time to organise and support these events, sometimes going on all of them. It is truly appreciated.

We are hoping to have an open air mass on Thursday 26th May to celebrate the opening of our Jubilee Lodge. This will be followed with a tea party to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday. Due to space we have to unfortunately restrict these events to the children only. However the school calendar has been undated and there are many events listed that we will thankfully be able to share together. On Friday 27th May the Jubilee Lodge will be open before and after school for you to have the opportunity to pop in and have a look.

As you can see we have an enormous amount of wood left over from the building of the Lodge. On Monday and Tuesday next week it will be going free to good homes. If you wish to take any please collect by Wednesday morning as we have a skip booked and it will take away the rest of the rubbish.

We wish you and your family a peaceful weekend.



Best wishes,

Helen Brown

This week in Nurserywe have been designing new underpants as aliens stole all Mrs Dickinson's from her washing line! There's been lots of different designs from spotty (and slightly itchy if I'm honest) bloomers to spangly briefs!

A space ship landed in the outside area and the children have been using it to fly to all different kinds of planets - including the moon and planet blog.

The classroom was invaded by dinosaurs and aliens wearing pants - the children have come up with lots of ideas and stories about where the pants, aliens and dinosaurs are from.

The space science pod has been popular. The children used the arms to explore different alien substances before turning it into a rocket and flying to different planets.

In maths we've been revisiting recognizing numbers, counting and exploring shapes. We are all making good progress and enjoying our learning.

Next week we will be exploring repeating patterns and making more pants with repeating patterns



FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER DROP-IN

Our family support worker Louise Loram ,will be holding a 'drop in' service, next Tuesday 10th May, between 8.45am and 10.00am. This will be held in the side room off the church hall. Please come to the school office if you have any questions.



Thank you.



BREAKFAST CLUB

We are now running our own Breakfast Club from 8.00 – 8.45 each day at a cost of £2.00 per session. Juice, cereal bars and fruit are provided.

This is being run by one of our teaching assistants Mrs English.

Application forms are available from the school office.



NURSERY PARENTS

Please could you contact the school office if your child is poorly on the days they are due to attend nursery.



SACRED HEART TODDLER GROUP

This group meets each Monday afternoon from 2.00pm to 3.00pm in the school hall. **Please note that entry is through the Nursery gate.** All are very welcome.



STAR CITIZENS, STAR WORKERS AND STAR WRITERS

Each week three pupils from each class will be chosen by their teacher to receive a certificate. These are awarded for excellent work or behaviour during the week. Certificates are given out each Friday at our special celebration assembly.

The following pupils received certificates this Friday:

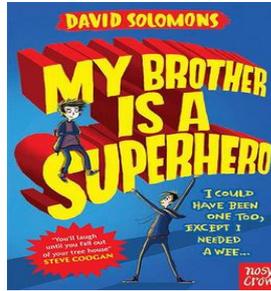
	<u>Star Citizen</u>	<u>Star Worker</u>	<u>Star</u>
<u>Writer</u>			
Rec	Toby	Izzy	Scarlett
Yr 1	Rebekah	Amelia	Lucas
Yr 2	Hayden	James	Charlie
Yr 3	Whole Class	Lily	Kaden
Yr 4	All of Year 4	Sophie	Kieran
Yr 5	Carolyn, Molly & Sam	Mrs Bouchard	
Yr 6	The Whole of Year 6		

LITERACY CORNER

My Brother Is A Superhero

By

David Solomons



Oh the anguish! Luke is a comic-reading super-hero expert, but he's gone for a wee at the crucial moment when an alien arrives in his tree-house and it's his never-read-a-comic-in-his-life brother Zach who gets superpowers and instructions to save the universe – life couldn't get any unfairer. But even super-heroes need back up, and when Zach is kidnapped, it falls to Luke to save his brother and the world. This is an excellent adventure story with real heart, that's also properly funny, with humour that comes from the characters as well as the situation. A sequel is promised and can't come soon enough.

Our FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER



Hi my name is Mrs Louise Loram, I'm your friendly Family Support Worker at your child's school.

I have supported families and children for the past 20 years and throughout this time have supported families with a range of issues, concerns and challenges. Being a mum myself I understand that parenting is probably the hardest job in the world, and sometimes we all could do with a little support to steer us in the right direction.

I am here to support you with any aspect of family life which is concerning you and your children at the moment. I don't claim to have all the answers but I have a lot of knowledge, experience and contacts within agencies and organisations I can signpost you to if need be.

My support will mostly be done through home visits; however I will also be attending groups within school so you can access me freely.

There's a possibility that other groups may start up, so watch this space!

If there is any aspect that you would like me to contact you about, let Mrs Nott or the school office know and they will put me in touch with you.

Sometimes a worry shared is a worry halved!

ATTENDANCE



Do you know that if your child has a record of 90% attendance what it actually means?

- ***Half a day missed every week***
- ***Nearly four whole weeks of lessons missed in a school year!***
- ***Half a school year missed over five years!***

Class	Attendance %	% of Lateness
Reception	93.2	0.714
Year 1	99.3	0.333
Year 2	98.7	0.667
Year 3	86.1	1.290
Year 4	93.7	0.333
Year 5	98.3	0.667
Year 6	99.7	0.00

For this week: The Attendance Award goes to Year 6 & The Quick Start Award goes to Year 6



Information for parents/carers about punctuality

Punctuality is a good thing!

Being on time:

- gets the day off to a good start with everyone in a positive frame of mind;
- sets positive patterns for the future;
- helps your child to make the most of his/her learning;
- helps children to develop a sense of responsibility both for themselves and for others;
- helps your child make and keep friends;
- leads to success and self-confidence.

Lateness is a bad thing!

Being late:



- gets the day off to a bad start, can put everyone in a bad mood and can be stressful;

- can be embarrassing for your child;
- is noticed by others who might make negative comments;
- may damage your child's confidence;
- your child will have missed out on vital instructions, information and bits of news at the start of the day, this may lead to them feeling confused;
- disrupts the learning for everyone;
- means children can fall behind in their learning;
- can create a bad habit that can be hard to break in the future;
- can lead to poor attendance.

Types of lateness

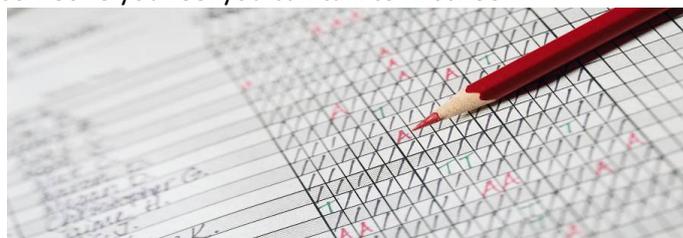
- Late **before** the registration closes – when your child is a few minutes late.
- Late **after** the register closes – **counts as an unauthorised absence.**

Some things that help

- Helping your child to get everything ready the night before (e.g. PE kit, reading book, school uniform).
- Finding out what your child will be doing each day.
- Allowing plenty of time to get to school.
- Making arrangements with neighbours, family or friends if you have problems getting your child to school.
- Making sure your child has breakfast or arrives at school in time for breakfast club.
- Helping your child organise homework.
- Establishing a good bedtime routine. Even simple things like making sure the room is dark enough to enable your child to sleep well can make mornings easier and less of a struggle.
- Making sure your child gets enough rest and is not distracted by too much time on the computer or watching TV.
- Setting an alarm clock!
- Taking care of yourself!

What should you do if you have a problem getting your child to school on time?

- Talk to your child first.
- Talk to your child's teacher.
- Ask for help from someone you feel you can talk to in school.



Remember we are here to help. We want to work together to find solutions so that little problems don't become BIG ones.

