



SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY FLYER

14th October 2016



Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly thank you for all your kind donations of produce for our Harvest Service and Harvest mass. It was so lovely to see so many families at our Harvest service in the Church last Sunday. The parishioners were delighted to see so many of us.



Teegan and Stephanie would like to say a big thank you to everyone for supporting their non-uniform day. They organized the event as part of their Civic Award. The total raised was £127.70 to be divided between Cancer Research and Macmillan Cancer Care. Well done to the girls and thank you to everyone for your support.

After many years we us we are sorry to say that Mr. Pepper will be leaving us at half term to work as a qualified electrician. We will all really miss him and give thanks for all the hard work, support and care he has shown over his years with us. Thank you Mr. Pepper.



We would like to thank those who have offered to hear readers during the afternoons. If anyone else has a spare afternoon or an hour or two to spare we would be delighted to welcome you in.

After half term we are hoping to start a 'Monday Morning Meet'. It will be an opportunity to come and join other parents and grandparents for a cup of tea and a piece of cake after you have dropped the children.  More news to follow soon. We are also in the process of updating our website to make it more user friendly. Emily, our ICT technician is busy working on it ready for its launch soon after half term.

We wish you and your families a peaceful weekend.

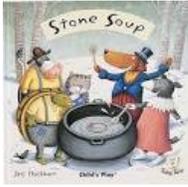
Best wishes,

Helen Brown

Head teacher

This week in Nursery

Friday 14.10.16



The children and staff are all looking forward to welcoming in parents, carers and grandparents next **Thursday 20th**

October from 2:30 'til 3:15 to come and see what has been happening in Nursery this half term. The children will be 'performing' Stone Soup and any parents that feel they'd like to join in are more than welcome! ***The Nursery gate will be open at 2:30 even if your child doesn't usually attend on a Thursday, so please do come along.***

We have been looking at lines of all kinds this week; making marks on the playground and then using mops and brushes to wash them off. The children have created some lovely pictures of lines using string, wax, paint and a range of mediums – please take a look at them as you come in through the Nursery gate on Thursday.

We continue to explore shapes and their properties and the children are becoming more confident, often seeing shapes in the environment. Please continue to encourage your child to spot shapes when they're out and about.

There have been some lovely creations using our autumn loose parts – wood, acorns, leaves and fir cones. The children have enjoyed punching holes into autumn leaves and cutting using hole punches and scissors. This is not

only great fun but builds good fine motor skills.

Write Dance is going well and the children are already beginning to develop pincer grips on their crayons.

Today there's been lots of 'naughty' writing breaking out with mark making on boxes and on the blocks in the playground!!! The children also found lots of milk and added some red and yellow powder paint making some interesting swirly patterns and orange milky paint.

If you haven't already done so please remember to register your child on their Interactive Learning Diary so you can see all the exciting activities they take part in at Nursery. You will also need this after half term when we will be asking families to post photographs onto their pages. If you can't find your letter or have lost your password then please just let one of the Nursery staff know and we'll make sure you're issued with a new one. If you would like to talk to a member of staff about any problems with registering then please come and see us after school or on our open afternoon and we'll help get you set up. The accounts can be accessed via mobile phones as well as computers and

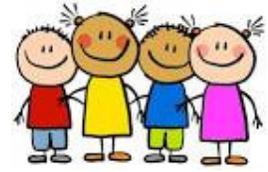
Thanks again for taking the time to write your child's interests on the board – this helps us to plan activities that really engage the children. Many thanks for your continued support.

The Nursery Team





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.



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.



Parents/Carers, please can you **telephone** the school **BEFORE 09:30** to inform that your child will be absent from school and give the reason for that absence. Please ring **each day** that your child is absent unless there is a definitive timescale of absence i.e. there needs to be **48 hours** clear from the last bout of sickness and/or diarrhea.

REMEMBER to also send in a letter when your child returns to school, confirming the dates and reason for their absence.

Star Certificates

Each week children are chosen from each class to receive recognition for their achievements;

	 <u>Star Worker</u>	<u>Star Writer</u>	<u>Star Citizen</u>	
Rec	Preston	Beth	Suzy	
Yr 1	Olivia	Samantha	Chloe	
Yr 2	Oliver	Brooke	Emily	
Yr 3	Millie	Maisy	Lucy	
Yr 4	Evie	Fallun-Leigh	Daniel	
Yr 5	Jessica	Sean	Halina	
Yr 6	Thomas	John	Edward	

FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER DROP-IN

Our family support worker Louise Loram will be holding a 'drop in' service, next **Tuesday 15th November**, between 8.30am and 10.30am. This will be held in the side room off the church hall. Please come to the school office if you have any questions.





Second Hand Uniform For Sale

The School Council members will be selling second hand uniform in the playground on Friday afternoons at 3.15pm. Come and grab a bargain!!



School 2017 Calendars



...will be on sale for £5 and are available to order now from Year 5. See email advertisement sent out today.

What's In The Box?!!



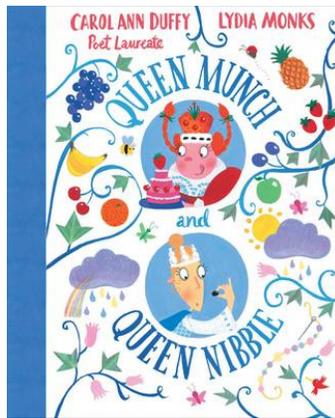
We now have a **Lost Property** box located in the reception office. Inside there is currently:-

- A **school jumper** – age 7-8. It has the name ‘Sophie Burke’ inked on the label....
- A school cardigan – age 7-8. Name no longer clear on label.
- A school jumper – age 7-8. Name no longer clear on label.
- Burgundy school raincoat – age 7-8.
- One black ‘Next’ sock.
- One patent black ‘Graceland’ shoe size 29
- A pink/black multicoloured hair band
- A springy neon pink hair bobble



Do they belong to you....???

LITERACY CORNER



Queen Munch and Queen Nibble by Carol Ann Duffy

Bold, bouncy Queen Munch loves nothing more than eating delicious cakes and enormous breakfasts, whereas Queen Nibble is pale, quiet, and likes making necklaces out of raindrops. So when Queen Munch decides to invite Queen Nibble for a visit and win her friendship, the mission seems doomed to fail. But there is more to each Queen than meets the eye and soon a friendship begins to blossom.



PARKING!

We appreciate parking is limited at the beginning of the day and at the end of the day when parents are dropping off and collecting children from school. **However** we must remember that the school is placed in a residential community and local residents do have the right to be able to enter and leave their homes at all times of the day

If you have not already done so, you can collect a permit from the school office which will allow you to park in the Churchward Road car park free of charge during the drop off and pick up times.





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	93.3	0.667
Year 1	97.9	1.379
Year 2	99.0	0.000
Year 3	95.9	1.360
Year 4	88.0	0.667
Year 5	95.0	1.333
Year 6	87.4	2.258



For this week:

The Attendance Award goes to Year 2 & The Quick Start Award goes to Year 2.

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.