



SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY FLYER

20th January 2017

'Everyone is Sacred'



Dear Parents and Carers,

Advance notice of two special events on our school calendar. On Wednesday 8th of February we will once again be holding our 'Prayer Space' event in the Parish Rooms. This year we would like to extend it to provide an opportunity for you to share the experience with your child after school should you so wish. This fits in perfectly with our whole school celebration of this term's theme 'World Faiths'. It will take place during the afternoon of the 8th. More details to follow next week.



Alongside the theme of World Faiths we are also learning about the advantages of eating and living healthily. We would like to request that if you smoke it might be best to do it out of sight of the playground in the morning. Also as you all know it is now illegal to smoke in a car with children present. Thank you for your understanding.

We have a few parents and parishioners volunteering to hear reading. We are really grateful and of course there is room for more! If you have any spare time over the next two week's Mrs. Dodd would welcome some help in the library preparing our book stock for the introduction of Accelerated Reader.



A reminder: we ask that school jumpers and cardigans have the school emblem on them. We often get positive comments from members of the public on the behaviour of our children when we are out in the community.

Has anyone got a spare collapsible picnic table that they no longer have a use for? We would like to extend the opportunities for our children to engage in colouring and board games at lunchtimes.



We wish you and your family a peaceful weekend.

Best wishes

Helen Brown

Head Teacher



NURSERY PARENTS



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

This Week in Nursery...

Friday 20.1.2017

It's been another busy week in Nursery with boat-making, number and sound work, bridge-building and trapping crocodiles!



Baby monkey is delighted with all the help he's been receiving from Nursery and has now made his way safely across the crocodile infested river.

Continuing on with our topic, 'I is for India' we have explored the tastes and smells of this wonderful country. This week the children helped to make an Indian curry and (most) thoroughly enjoyed tasting it.



Next week we will be looking at monsoons in the Indian jungle and puzzling out how to keep Baby Monkey safe and dry.

Our sound of the week will be 'u' as in 'umbrella'. The children are coming on very well with their sounds, counting and number recognition and many have said they're practising at home. Thank you for your continued support – it really does make a difference.



The children are enjoying their Write Dance, Funky Fingers, Jedi Writing and Dough Discos and they're making real progress with their pencil grips. Whenever you get the chance please encourage your child to mark-make. Even using a paint brush with water or shaving foam against a wall will make a big difference to their grip. Why not chalk some shapes on the ground and use mops, brushes and water to scrub them out? It's great fun and believe it or not it builds the muscles ready for writing.



Next week we will focusing on healthy living. This will involve discussing why we brush our teeth, wash our hands, take exercise and eat a balanced diet.



Have a relaxing weekend,

The Nursery Team



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.



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	98.3	0.000
Year 1	97.6	0.000
Year 2	98.0	0.000
Year 3	96.4	1.428
Year 4	99.0	0.345
Year 5	96.7	0.000
Year 6	95.5	1.379



For this week:

The Attendance Award goes to Year 4

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The Quick Start Award goes to Reception, Year1, Year2 and Year 5.

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	Adrian	Amy	Beth
Yr 1	Summer	Hayden	Alesha
Yr 2	Gracie-mae	Reece	Brooke
Yr 3	Bryony	Dea	Sienna
Yr 4	Nell	Lily	Krishma
Yr 5	Halina	Rio	James
Yr 6	Stephanie	Jack	Kajus

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.



Dates for Diaries

FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER DROP-IN



Our family support worker Louise Loram will be holding a 'drop in' service, next **Tuesday 21st February**, 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.

No After School Clubs on Wednesday 25th January 2017 due to Government Compulsory Staff Training. Apologies for any inconvenience.



Nathanial and Kajus in Yr6, as part of their Civic Award, are raising money for their chosen Charity – 8 Below Husky Rescue. They are asking you to 'Name the Husky' for 20p, on Wednesday & Thursday afternoons at 3.15pm in the playground. Please support them if you can. Many thanks.



Second Hand Uniform For Sale

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

New School Uniform is available from

Riviera Schooldays

We have moved, we are now at

186 Union Street
Torquay
TQ2 5QP

Tel: 01803 293650

www.rivieraschooldays.co.uk

Norovirus Season 2016/17

Public Health England has contacted all schools regarding the approaching norovirus season with guidelines to help minimise the risk of outbreaks.

Novovirus causes viral gastroenteritis, characterised by the sudden onset of vomiting and/or diarrhea. It can spread rapidly in closed environments such as schools, childcare settings, hospitals and nursing homes. **However, most people do not require treatment and recover at home within one or two days.**

Novovirus is easily transmitted from person to person and by consuming contaminated food or water or by contact with contaminated surfaces or objects. *Therefore*

If your child develops novovirus please help avoid the spread by

- Staying away from school until they have been free from symptoms for at least 48 hours and avoid contact with others where possible.
- Keep hydrated by drinking fluids as tolerated.
- If symptoms persist (more than 48hours), phone the GP or the NHS non –emergency number 111 for advice.
- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water regularly but particularly after toilet visits and before eating/handllng food. Alcohol hand gel is not effective against novovirus.

What's In The Box?



We now have a **Lost Property** box located in the reception office.

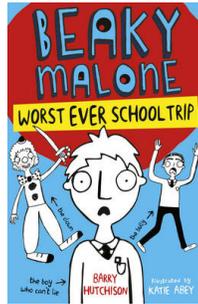
Inside there is currently:-

A furry gilet aged 7-8, a bear beany hat, a green khaki H&M duffle coat, TU grey school trousers aged 11yrs, leopard print earmuffs, 'Cars' blue scarf, 'Angry Birds' Red combined scarf/hat, one multi coloured striped glove, one grey and black striped glove, an angel halo, school plimsolls size 12, school cardigan 6-7yrs, school book bag, M&S school trousers age 9-10yrs, burgundy PE bag, Sacred heart logo's PE bag, school jumper aged 5-6 yrs, a Slazenger pink drinks bottle, Next ecru cardigan aged 4-5, a PE T-shirt aged 7-8, a grey & blue tassel hat, a navy bobble hat, shopkins drinks bottle, black scarf, black marl hoody, a small red England football top

....Phew!!

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

LITERACY CORNER



Worst Ever School Trip by Barry Hutchison

It's been 92 hours since Beaky last told a lie. So far he's survived two full days of school with only three light beatings, two telling-offs and one wedgie ...but the annual school trip is going to take Beaky's survival skills to a whole other level - especially as a mix up in the school office means that Beaky and his class are on a trip to Learning Land, an educational theme park aimed at eight-year-olds. And home to cheery-but-creepy Clumso the Clued-up Clown whose job is to dish out fascinating facts to one and all.

But there is worse to come when Beaky's partnered with Wayne, a.k.a the school bully, who has a morbid fear of clowns. With Beaky unable to tell a lie and Wayne intent on beating him up, things aren't looking good. And that's before they find themselves on the run from a manic clown who'll seemingly stop at nothing to track them down...



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.

I will be holding a 'drop in' service on **Tuesday 21st February**, 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.

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!



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.**

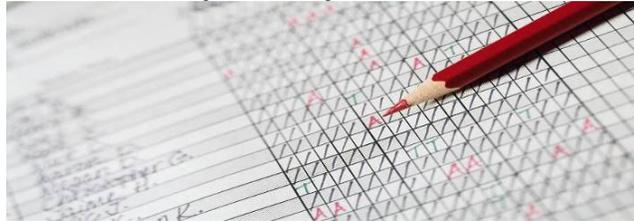
Some things that help

- 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.



Cook's Corner



Meatballs (Soyaballs), Pasta and Tomato Sauce

Ingredients:

500g lean mince beef OR soya mince

1 Onion chopped

Mixed Herbs of your choice

Garlic Paste

1 box Passata sauce

Pasta of your choice

Method:

In a bowl put the beef/Soya mince, chopped onion and seasoning, mixed herbs. Mix together with your hands and roll into balls, about the size of a walnut.

Place on to a baking sheet.

Bake in the oven at 180°C for 20 minutes.

Meanwhile cook the pasta to the instructions on the packet.

For the sauce:

Put the passata into a saucepan, add the garlic and herbs, and heat through.

Spoon the pasta into a bowl, add the meatballs/soyaballs and pour some sauce over the top.

Serve with garlic bread.

Delicious!