

SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY FLYER

24th June 2016

Everyone is Sacred



Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite the weather we were so lucky to be able to share a lovely Sports Day together. Thank you for your support and patience it was greatly appreciated. The children all worked so hard in preparation for the day. As you can appreciate we can organise everything apart from the weather. However the day went ahead and the children did not fail to impress us with their sporting talents! It is always a great occasion for us all to gather together. A special thank you must go to Miss While for the hours of work she puts into organising and running the event and to all the staff who so willingly support her.

As always the scores were quite close but St. Andrew's were the winning House with 277 points. Congratulations also go to all the children in our other House teams: St. Patrick's, St. George's and St. David's.

This week our school curriculum has concentrated on the European Union and on Thursday afternoon every child and adult had an opportunity to officially vote at our school polling station. The votes were then counted by our tellers and Sacred Heart's EU Referendum result was announced at 3p.m. I can confirm that we voted against the national trend with the majority of our children voting to remain in the European Union. Each class completed a book of their work and these will be on display in the front reception area for you to have a read. Thank you to Mrs. Brealey and some of our Y6 children for organising this.

Other events taking place this week included the interviews for our Y6 Civic Award candidates. During the year the children have worked hard to achieve all five elements expected of them for a pass. The results will be announced next week but I have been

reassured by the Judges that once again the standard of presentation was high. Thank you to Miss Kate McMillan and Councillor Ian Doggett for giving of their time so willingly.

Yesterday Year 4 took part in the PCSA Kwik Kricket tournament. You can read more about the event later in the flyer. Well done to all the Year 4 children who competed so well.

We wish you and your family a peaceful weekend.

Best wishes,

Helen Brown.

Head teacher



This week in Nursery



This week in Nursery we have had great fun at our sports day. It was well supported by parents so thank you so much for coming to cheer on your children.

We are continuing to look at Poland and we represented Poland on our sports day. Thank you again to all the Polish families that have so generously given food to the children – they have thoroughly enjoyed it!

Mrs Dickinson is working hard on recording Polish words and phrases for the children including numbers and shapes. If there is anyone that could help with this I would be very grateful as with the best will in the world my accent isn't very good!

Mrs Dickinson, Mrs Burt and Miss Witchell



NURSERY PARENTS

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





Year 4 enjoyed the Kwik-Cricket Festival at PCSA on Thursday and the opportunity to continue our links with the school. The children were split into three teams and developed their hand eye co-ordination through batting, under arm bowling and catching. The class enjoyed the afternoon and the qualities of co-operation, teamwork and encouragement were pleasing to see.



Unfortunately, there is a spate of chicken pox in the school. **Chickenpox is a mild and common childhood illness that most children catch at some point**. Please look out for signs – see the NHS website. Chickenpox is infectious from one to two days before the rash starts, until all the blisters have crusted over.

To prevent spreading the infection, keep children off nursery or school until all their spots have crusted over and keep the school informed.



Fiver Challenge

Our children in Year 6 have gone into business and are doing the 'Fiver Challenge' to try and raise money to purchase a lap top for their class. The 'entrepreneurs' are organizing various events/projects to raise as much money as possible. Please support them if you can. Many thanks.

Message from Jessica Higgins Yr 6



I would like everyone to know that we are doing a photo-booth with props and wigs, every day (except Tuesday) after school.

Photo - 50p

Photo frame £1.00

Large Photo Frame £2.00'

Message from J.A.F.F.C company

SMOOTHIE SALE

Today and also on Wednesday 29th of June there will be a cake sale in the hall run by the J.A.F.F.C company.

We will also have a stall at the summer fair!

Lemonade will be 50p and smoothies will be £1, all of the money will go to fiver challenge.





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.





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 Certificates

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

	Star Worker	Star Writer	Star Citizen
Rec	Scarlett	Finlay	Whole Class
Yr 1			
Yr 2	Sofia	Maisie	Lily
Yr 3	Oakley	Francesca	Taylor
Yr 4	Anna-Mai	Daniella	Robert
Yr 5	Kajus	Thomas	Stephanie
Yr 6	Laila-Mai	Thomas	Demi

LITERACY CORNER



Fox Friend by Michael Morpurgo

Clare has lived her whole life on a farm, but she's never seen a fox - until she finds a tiny, injured cub who's lost his mum. Clare cares for him herself, but has to keep him hidden from her father who thinks foxes are vermin - pests that should be shot. Can she keep the cub safe? Beautifully crafted story from the former Children's Laureate and best-selling author.

Notes for your diaries!



Sword In The Stone



On **Tuesday 28th June 2016** a theatre production company will be coming into school and involving the children in this exciting production. Please could you send in your voluntary contribution of £1.80 towards this day as soon as possible – many thanks to those parents/carers who have already sent theirs in.

School Fete

The **school fete** will be on **Friday 1**st **of July**. Please keep a space in your diary so that you will be able to come along and support the school. Further information will be forthcoming!

Many thanks for your bottle and sweet donations today!



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!

FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER DROP-IN

Our family support worker Louise Loram will be holding a 'drop in' service, next Tuesday 28th June, 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.



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	78.3	1.724
Year 1	88.0	1.666
Year 2	86.3	1.000
Year 3	86.8	2.903
Year 4	84.7	1.333
Year 5	82.0	3.333
Year 6	84.0	1.333

Parents/Carers, please can you remember to ring 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

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.