



# SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

## FRIDAY FLYER

28th April 2016

# Everyone is Sacred

Dear Parents and Carers,

To-day Year 5 attended a volleyball tournament at PCSA..... we are awaiting results of how they have got on! They continue with their weekly swimming lessons at Clennon Valley. Thank you to all the parents who came for the preliminary meeting about Warren Barn. It was an informative meeting and answered many questions. Thank you to Mr Powell and Mrs Nott.

Next week, our Year three and four children are taking part in their first residential to Beesands. On Friday there will be a FOSH cake sale after school. A reminder that we are not in school this Friday or on Monday as it is a bank holiday.

It is good to see so many children in their summer uniform and we remind you again that we expect all the children to wear the correct shoes. Thank you.

We wish you and your family a peaceful bank holiday weekend and look forward to seeing all the children on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.



Best wishes,

Helen Brown



## **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.

## **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.

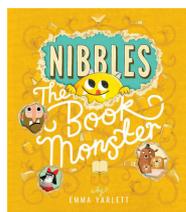
## **LITERACY CORNER**

### ***Nibbles : The Book Monster***

***By***

***Emma Yarlett***

Nibbles the monster is as impetuous and cheeky as children in their wildest dreams. On page one, readers release him from a crate, then watch as he rampages through not just his book but others too leaving anarchy in his wake. He nibbles his way into the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears, giving Goldilocks a nasty shock; Little Red Riding Hood is furious when he interferes in her story; and the giant in Jack and the Beanstalk calls him a hooligan! No sooner is Nibbles back in his crate than he's nibbled through the back cover and escaped again. This funny, clever book will be a big hit with children.



## ***This week in the Nursery...***

This week in Nursery we have been exploring African stories, learning about shapes and taking away. We've counted Handa's fruit and taken one away every time.

We have been growing our own dinosaurs from eggs and learning about change over time. We have also looked at how substances change consistency once water has been added.

The children have enjoyed exploring African music and dance and have been learning an African dance in PE. The drumming has been very popular!

Next week we will be continuing our African theme and looking at the patterns on cloth and making our own.

Please could we ask for any spare rolls of wallpaper for our Write Dance – all gratefully received as we get through so much.



**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.

## **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!***

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance %</b>	<b>% of Lateness</b>
<b>Reception</b>	<b>82.9</b>	<b>0.439</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>87.1</b>	<b>0.417</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>92.1</b>	<b>0.834</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>92.3</b>	<b>1.220</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>95.0</b>	<b>2.917</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>91.3</b>	<b>2.084</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>1.293</b>

**For this week: The Attendance Award goes to Year 6 & The Quick Start Award goes to Year 1.**



## 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.