



SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL



Everyone is Sacred



FRIDAY FLYER

30th June 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, thank you to all families for being so understanding about Sports Day. It was with a very heavy heart that we made the decision. Mr. Powell has worked really hard to organize the day so we have had some alternative activities in school. After three days of almost continuous rain the ground at the Cricket Club was deemed unsafe to run on. It would also have been unpleasant to sit on for families. We were delighted to welcome so many families to join us in the classrooms for a picnic. Over the last week Mr. Powell and I have become BBC Weather watch addicts!! The one thing we do not have as a school is ready access to playing fields. A special thank you to FOSH who have ensured that every child in the school has had the opportunity to have a lollipop or ice-cream today.



As a school we have been invited as special guests of Father Mark to celebrate the occasion of him being 25 years ordained as a Priest. It is his Silver Jubilee. This is a very precious time for us as a school and I ask that all children come to school on Wednesday in full school uniform to include proper school shoes and jumpers and polo shirts with our school logo on. Thank you. Every child will receive a special blessed gift to mark the occasion.

PARKING. Thank you to all the parents who park in Churchward car park and make use of the free school passes the Council have kindly given to us. If you display one of our school car passes between 8.45-9.15 and 3-3.30 you are eligible to free parking. **WE ARE NOT PERMITTED TO USE THE CHURCH CAR PARK FOR PARENT PARKING.** Unfortunately, I have also had reports of those parking illegally in the church car park reversing whilst other families are passing. It is also not permitted to leave your car unattended at the front door of the school to pick up or drop off. First and foremost we must ensure the safety of all our children. Thank you for your understanding.



This week twelve of our Year Six Civic Award children were interviewed by Councillor Ian Doggett and Miss Kate MacMillan. I am pleased to say they have all passed and will be going to Torquay Boys Grammar School on Wednesday evening for the presentation ceremony. Well done to them all we are very proud of you.

We wish you and your family a peaceful weekend.

Best wishes,

Helen Brown

Head teacher



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.



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.

WANTED!

Our Nursery Class would welcome donations of socks, pants and trousers – in particular, boys items - for use as spare clothes for our children. Many thanks.



Please note – FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REASONS DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND.



Second Hand Uniform



For Sale

The School Council members will be holding a **second hand uniform sale in the playground in the last week of each half term.** Look out for confirmation of the date and then come and grab a bargain!!

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.



New School Uniform is available from Riviera Schooldays

186 Union Street Torquay TQ2 5QP Tel: 01803 293650



LITERACY CORNER



The Adventures of John Blake: Mystery of the Ghost Ship by Philip Pullman

High-octane action and a deep twisting mystery combine in this visual feast of a time-travel tale of adventure on the high seas.

Serena's father is on a mission to sail the world, but when their ship is struck by a storm she's swept overboard. Rescued by the mysterious schooner Mary Alice, Serena soon finds herself far from home... Lost at sea, and shrouded in the mists of time, the Mary Alice sails the endless waters, her crew desperate to find a way home. But things aren't that simple - each crew member has been ripped from their own time - from ancient Rome to the twentieth century. They must work together to find a way back to their families; to the places and years they belong to. But something is stalking them across the open oceans, an otherworldly, malevolent force hell bent on capturing the Mary Alice and her crew. And it will stop at nothing to get what it wants.

SCHOOL 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	92.7	0.333
Year 1	92.7	0.000
Year 2	93.7	0.000
Year 3	91.0	0.690
Year 4	99.0	0.000
Year 5	87.7	1.000
Year 6	95.2	1.035



For this week:

The Attendance Award goes to Year 4

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The Quick Start Award goes to Year 1, Year 2 & Year 4



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.



NURSERY

PARENTS



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

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

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER DROP- IN

Our family support worker Louise Loram will be holding a 'drop in' service, **Tuesday 18th July**, 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.



14th July 2017

Details to follow



Last Day of
SummerTerm

Friday 21st July

What's In The Box?



Too much!!

We have many unnamed school jumpers/cardigans, polo shirts and plimsolls in the lost property box. The box is in the reception office. Please come and have a look to see if we can reunite you with your missing items. Thank you.

F O S H B B Q A P P E A L UPDATE

Summer Fayre BBQ

FOSH would like to say a HUGE thank you for your generous donations to their recent BBQ appeal. You have very kindly donated an amazing sum of £71.62 towards the new BBQ! FOSH are now trying to source the new 'all singing, all dancing' BBQ ready to fire up on 14th July 2017.





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 18th July**, 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.