



SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY FLYER

6th May 2016

Everyone is Sacred

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all enjoyed the extended bank holiday weekend. The forecast for this weekend seems very promising and I know Mrs. Mulloy, Mrs. Sumner and the children are looking forward to working in the garden over the next few weeks. The building work for our Jubilee Lodge is nearly completed and we hope to be using it after half term. I am sure you will agree it only enhances the look of the school.

Children from Years 3 and 4 should be returning from their first residential this lunch time. They have been staying at the 'Forest and Beach' educational site at Beesands. By all accounts they have been kept really busy, so more news to follow next week.

A gentle reminder about parking. Please do not park anywhere that stops residents from being able to move their cars or blocks anyone in. Also we ask that cars are not parked in the Church car park and that, unless an agreement exists, all children enter school through the school playground entrance. The gates are open early and the children are welcomed in to school before registration at 9am. Thank you. We are fortunate that the council have offered free parking for 30 minutes every morning and afternoon in the Churchward car park. All you have to do is get a sticker from the school office and display it whilst parking.

Well done to all the girls in our football team. Throughout the season they have worked hard to achieve a place in the finals that were held at Torquay United's ground on Wednesday. There was a terrific atmosphere and we would like to thank all parents who came to support especially those children and parents who came even though they were not in the team. The girls played valiantly against a team of Year 6 girls from Babbacombe. We are very proud of our runner's up cup. A special thank you to Mr. Powell and Mr. Hunt.

Year 6 have been working exceptionally hard towards their Key Stage 2 SAT's and we will keep them in our prayers during the next week. This is the first year of a new type of testing and assessment regime so the expectation is now even higher. We have a wonderful group of Year 6 pupils and we are very proud of them and their commitment to their work.



Best wishes,

Helen Brown

FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER DROP-IN

Our family support worker Louise Loram, will be holding a 'drop in' service, next Tuesday 10th May, 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.



Thank you.



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.

GIRLS' FOOTBALL

On Wednesday evening the Sacred Heart girls' football team went to the Torquay United football ground to compete in the Girls' Small School South League finals against Babbacombe Primary.

Our team played outstanding, showing true sportsmanship, working together as a team. Despite a 5:1 victory to Babbacombe, the girls' still came away with a trophy and did us all proud.





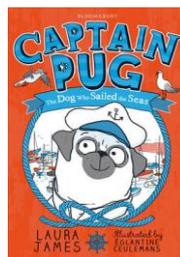
STAR CITIZENS, STAR WORKERS AND STAR WRITERS

Each week three pupils from each class will be chosen by their teacher to receive a certificate. These are awarded for excellent work or behaviour during the week. Certificates are given out each Friday at our special celebration assembly.

The following pupils received certificates this Friday:

	<u>Star Citizen</u>	<u>Star Worker</u>	<u>Star Writer</u>
Rec	Hayden	Maisie	Olivia
Yr 1	Toby	Dexter	Oliver
Yr 2	Sienna	Nate	Ava
Yr 3			
Yr 4			
Yr 5	Ava	Teegan	Ella
Yr 6			

LITERACY CORNER



By

Laura James

Deliciously madcap doggy adventure for Pug, the pampered dog of the even more pampered Lady Miranda. When Lady Miranda determines that Pug will be the ship's captain when they go for an outing on the boating lake and dresses him accordingly, she forgets one important thing: Pug is afraid of the water! But when Pug gets pug-napped as he is foraging in someone else's picnic he finds himself off on a very watery adventure indeed. Highly entertaining, wittily illustrated and fun to read alone. 6+



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!**

Class	Attendance %	% of Lateness
Reception	92.4	1.339
Year 1	88.3	0.417
Year 2	79.2	0.417
Year 3	87.5	2.823
Year 4	99.6	1.250
Year 5	92.1	2.917
Year 6	96.1	2.586

For this week: The Attendance Award goes to Year 4 & The Quick Start Award goes to Year's 1 & 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

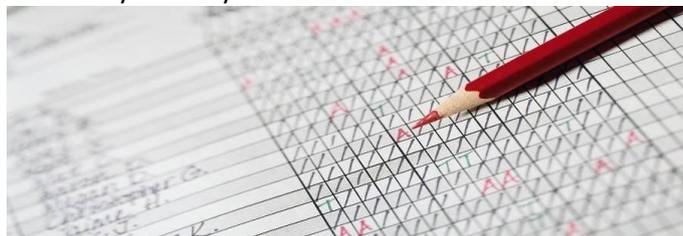
- Late **before** the registration closes – when your child is a few minutes late.
- Late **after** the register closes – **counts as an unauthorised absence.**

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.