



SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Everyone is Sacred

FRIDAY FLYER

8th September 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

We were delighted to welcome all the children back to school on Tuesday and hope you and your families had a good summer holiday. They all looked so smart in their school uniforms and quickly settled into their new classes. Also remember that the door is open if you have any suggestions or concerns and that all teachers are usually on the playground first thing in the morning and after school. We find this the most purposeful means of communication.



Mrs. Lansiquot's family would like to thank everyone for their love and concern and for respecting the family's privacy at this time. We are ensuring we keep her daughter, Dominique, informed of any proposed fundraising events as a mark of respect. Mrs Lansiquot is greatly missed by us all and we keep our prayers going for her to be back with us. She is a very special member of our school family and I know she will feel supported by the love and prayers of all of us.

Meet Your TEACHER



Over the next two weeks you are all invited to each classes Meet the Teacher, from 3.15pm onwards. The meeting should last no longer than 45 minutes but will give you the opportunity to meet with your child's new teacher, ask about anything and to hear about what your child will be learning this year. 11th September Year 1 (this information has been given out on the class half termly newsletter sent home on

Tuesday), 12th Year 2, 13th Year 4 (this information has been given out on the half termly class newsletter given out this week), 14th Year 3, 18th, Year 5 and 19th Year 6. We look forward to seeing you.



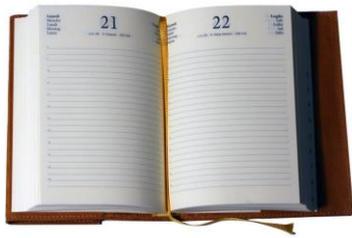
Clubs will be up and running next week and I would like to thank all the teachers, TA's and Mrs. Sutton who give their time freely to provide such a good selection of activities and to Mrs. Garside for all her organisation. For Year Six the Civic Award club will have its first meeting this Thursday after school. This is open to all children in Year Six and finishes at 4pm.

Wonderful news!! Thanks to Mr. Powell's hard work and the support of staff, children and parents we have been awarded the GOLD Sportsmark. Sacred Heart always has been pushing sport greatly within the past years. We have had great links with our sport festivals each half term. We have also taken part in lots of competitive sport throughout the year and had great successes within the football and netball teams. This has not gone unnoticed. With our application to the Sports Games Mark, we achieved the Gold Mark, the highest accreditation available. This is a fantastic achievement and one we want to continue into the coming years.



We wish you and your family a peaceful weekend.
Best wishes,
Helen Brown
Head teacher





Dates for your Diary!

New Class Information Evening's

The meetings with your child's new class teacher and teaching assistant will be at 3.20pm on the following days -

Year 1: Monday 11th September

Year 2: Tuesday 12th September

Year 3: Thursday 14th September

Year 4: Wednesday 13th September

Year 5: Monday 18th September

Year 6: Tuesday 19th September

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. **The cost of each session will increase on 1st October 17 to £2.50 but a choice of juice, cereal, toast and fruit will be provided.**

This is being run by one of our teaching assistants Mrs. English.

Application forms are available from the school office.

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



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.



Second Hand Uniform

For Sale



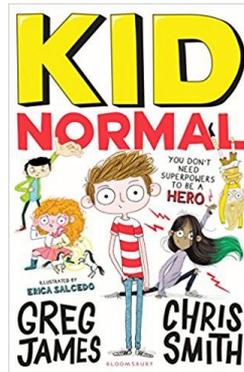
The School Council members will be holding a **second hand uniform sale in the playground in the last week of each half term.** Look out for confirmation of the date and then come and grab a bargain!!

New School Uniform is available from Riviera Schooldays

186 Union Street Torquay TQ2 5QP Tel: 01803 293650



LITERACY CORNER



Kid Normal by Greg James, Chris Smith

When Murph Cooper rocks up to his new school several weeks into the beginning of term, he can't help but feel a bit out of his depth. And it's not because he's worried about where to sit, and making friends, and fitting in, or not knowing where the loos are. It's because his mum has enrolled him at a school for superheroes by mistake. And unlike his fellow students, who can all control the weather or fly or conjure tiny horses from thin air, Murph has no special abilities whatsoever. But just because you don't have superpowers, it doesn't mean you can't save the day. Let's hope Murph realises that, and quick - because not far away is a great big bad guy who is half man and half wasp, and his mind is abuzz with evil plans...It's time for Kid Normal to become a hero!

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!*



*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



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 between 8.45am and 11am. The next session will be on Tuesday 12th September 2017. 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.

