



SACRED HEART RC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY FLYER

1st July 2016

Everyone is Sacred



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your generous donations of gifts and time given towards our annual Summer Fayre. FOSH, supported by members of staff have been busy for many days preparing for this event. An addition to this year is the Year 6 'Fiver Challenge'. We have many young budding entrepreneurs just waiting for your support.

A reminder that next Tuesday Year 6 will need to be in school for 8.15 as the coach taking them to the Central CAST Leaver's Mass at the Cathedral will be leaving at 8.30am. Please remember a packed lunch. This should be a special occasion for our Year 6 children and the lead concelebrant will be Father Mark.

On Wednesday the whole school attended mass in the Church to celebrate the Feast of St Peter and St. Paul. It was a special occasion supported by many of our parishioners. We also welcomed two members of the Devon Cricket team who gave all the children a taster. There will be a summer school run at Torquay Cricket Club during the summer holidays. More information to follow.

On Wednesday 6th July we have the Civic Award presentation at Torquay Grammar School for Boys. The children should meet at the Grammar School no later than 4.45pm for a 5pm start. Because of the popularity of the event this year the number of family members invited to attend is restricted to two if possible. Thank you. Please can parents of our Civic Award children return the permission form for photographs by Monday at the latest. Thank you.

We wish you and your family a peaceful weekend.

Best wishes,

Helen Brown

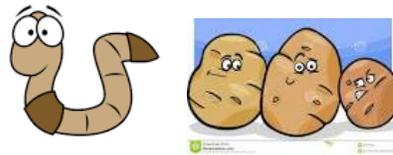
Head teacher



This week in Nursery

This week in nursery we have been preparing for the summer fayre and a visit from Bay in Bloom.

Our crop of potatoes is coming on well and our geraniums have really flourished giving lots of lovely colour to our outside area. The children have had fun carrying out gardening tasks and some even made some fabulous signs – please take a look when you can. We have been learning all about caring for God’s creatures and making sure the worms in our soil are well looked after.



We have learnt a new Write Dance about rainbows and we have been practising our writing ready for Reception in September. Some of our children have joined Miss While again for activities in Reception.



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.



Measles is a highly infectious viral illness that can be very unpleasant and sometimes lead to serious complications. It's now uncommon in the UK because of the effectiveness of vaccination; however there is currently a known outbreak at KEVICC.

Symptoms of measles

The initial symptoms of measles develop around 10 days after you're infected. These can include:

- cold-like symptoms, such as a runny nose, sneezing, and a cough
- sore, red eyes that may be sensitive to light
- a high temperature (fever), which may reach around 40C (104F)
- small greyish-white spots on the inside of the cheeks

A few days later, a red-brown blotchy rash will appear. This usually starts on the head or upper neck, before spreading outwards to the rest of the body.

You should contact your GP, by phone, as soon as possible if you suspect

- that you or your child may have measles
- if you've been in close contact with someone who has measles and you've not been fully vaccinated (had two doses of the MMR vaccine) or if you haven't had the infection before – even if you don't have any symptoms.

Please also inform the school.

Further information can be found on the NHS website www.choices.nhs.uk



Unfortunately, the Lollipop Man will not be at the Cecil Road crossing from Tuesday 5th July 2016 until the end of term. Please be vigilant when crossing the road to and from school.



Sword In The Stone



The Image Musical Theatre came into school on Tuesday 28th June 2016 and performed for the children a very professional and enjoyable show. The company had great interaction with the children and everyone had a wonderful memorable day - some children were heard singing the songs on the way home.





Chicken Pox

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.



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.

Star Certificates

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

	<u>Star Worker</u>	<u>Star Writer</u>	<u>Star Citizen</u>
Rec	Ottillie	Maisie	Breanne
Yr 1	Jaiden	Jeorgia	Sophie
Yr 2	Lucy	Tilly	Gabriel
Yr 3	Ashley	Ryan	William
Yr 4	Madison	Leo	Halina
Yr 5	Joel	Summer-May	Oliver
Yr 6	Louis	Super Summer -Squad	Amy

LITERACY CORNER



How to Look After Your Human by Kim Sears

Though it's primarily aimed at dogs, humans too - particularly those who share their home with a canine companion - will find lots to inform and entertain them in Maggie Mayhem's comprehensive guide. Maggie, a border terrier, lives with two humans - Kim Sears and her husband - and clearly has their care down to a fine art. In her debut book, she shares a wealth

of tips on such things as grooming and hygiene, nutrition - she's very good on how to get your human to share food with you - and the all-important communication ('no' she explains, is a term of encouragement). Upbeat and positive, Maggie never forgets that man is dog's best friend, particularly when Man has a pocket full of biscuits.

Notes for your diaries!



Tuesday 5th July

Year 6 Leavers Mass at Plymouth Cathedral. Coach is



leaving at 8.30.
8.15 please.

Children to be in school by

Also



Rio Olympic Workshop
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for years 3, 4, 5 and

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.



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	62.1	2.414
Year 1	88.3	
Year 2	87.0	2.000
Year 3	87.4	0.968
Year 4	86.7	2.667
Year 5	84.7	3.333
Year 6	86.0	0.667

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



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.