

# Newsletter



**Sacred Heart RC Primary School**

**22/09/2017**

Dear Parents

At the core of our professional standards and Catholic ethos, here at Sacred Heart, is a commitment to the well-being, happiness and safety of the children in our care-both in the classroom and in the playground.

We hold regular meetings with the lunch time supervisors and are always looking at our practises at playtimes. However, accidents do occur at school, as they do out of school. Children run into each other, fall over and bump into things. These are unavoidable. What is avoidable, is the sort of play that can be unsafe and can lead to accidents, and as a school, we continue to regularly monitor and review playground activities and procedures.

This term, I will also be making changes to parts of the playground. Slow areas will be put in and more use will be made of the fenced-in areas in KS1. The paved area will be made a quieter zone in KS2.

Having said all the above, this week a squirrel fell from a tree, scratching a child across the face!! You couldn't make it up!!



## **Year 5 school Journey**

This year we will be again taking the children to Sayers Croft outdoor environmental centre for a week's residential journey. Please keep a look out for the letters and parent mail communications.

The children will be leaving on the 27<sup>th</sup> November and returning on the 1<sup>st</sup> December. The cost for the week is £130



## **Year 6 Secondary Transfer**

By now many of you will be visiting schools and forming ideas about the schools to put on your list. There is a meeting at school on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm, to discuss the process and answer any questions you might have. I am hoping to have a member of the Parish team and a secondary Headteacher available to give their perspectives.

## **Dinner money**

It has come to my attention that a small number of families have run up large debts for dinner money. We will be sending letters out to anyone who owes more than 2 weeks in arrears. If you do not pay your child's dinner money you will be asked to switch to packed lunches until you have cleared your debt. We will be passing a number of the larger debts to the Wandsworth Debt collection agency.

The money owed is taken from the schools budget for books and other children's activities.

## **School meals entitlement**

Please, if you are entitled to support with dinner money, then do claim it. The school receives £1200 for each R-Yr 6 child entitled to dinner money support. That is an awful lot of raffle tickets!!



This week, Mrs Rowlandson gave us some reading homework from "First News" (a newspaper for children) all about "William's Syndrome", a genetic disorder that affects one child in every 30 – that's the same as one child in every class. In the report it mentioned that this Friday is national "Jeans for Genes Day" and how the money that has been raised in the past has made a big difference to the lives of children who are born with genetic defects. We decided that we would like to get involved and so asked if our school could participate. Mr Brading and Mrs Byrne agreed that it was a good idea.

Thank you to all of you who came to school in your jeans today and brought in £1. Hopefully, we reached our aim of raising over £500 for this worthy charity! Lynden, Robel, Rene-Sue, Donrea, Pharrell, Shannon, Michaela (6C) Brian, Charlie, Eulalia, Keira, Kurt, Rebecca, Kevin (6H)

## Blessing of the Animals



SACRED HEART CHURCH, Trott St SW11 3DS

SATURDAY 30th September 2017

11.30am

ALL (creatures great and small) ARE VERY WELCOME



FRIDAY 29th September

SACRED HEART CHURCH ATRIUM

10.30am join us for a coffee morning and raise funds for  
McMillan Cancer Support

Can you bake a cake?

Can you buy a cake?

Can you help support this excellent event?

See Fr Gerry sdb for full details



Individual photos will be taking place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, please can your child wear their correct uniform. For family photos, please arrive at 8.15am in the new building on the right hand side. Please note that this is run on first come basis- thank you.

## Calendar of Events

*Please note whilst we aim to follow all of the calendar of events listed below, there may be unforeseen circumstances which arise, resulting in changes to publicised dates.*

<u>September</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Secondary transfer meeting Y6 parents	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 6.00pm
HH parent workshop	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>
Y4 swimming	Autumn term
<u>October</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Parents Evening	Hillary House Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> (3.30-5.30pm) Nursery – Y6 Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> (2.00-7.00pm)
EYFS Open Day for parents applying for reception places 2018-19	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> – 9.15-10.15am
EYFS BBQ Reception and Nursery	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> 12-2.00pm
Class assemblies – 9.00am	4 <sup>th</sup> 3C 11 <sup>th</sup> 4B 18 <sup>th</sup> 6C

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