

Newsletter



Sacred Heart RC Primary School

30/09/16

Dear Parents, without wishing to alarm you, there was a serious knife related incident on Wednesday afternoon in the park during a school netball match. The victim was able to enter the school premises because the front gate had been left open by a parent (I have since removed the catch). This horrifying event has underlined that it is imperative to secure the school and it has reinforced the need to reduce the entrances and access to the school. I am reminding parents that on the completion of the reception works there will only be one entrance to the school (through Este Rd) and that will be carefully monitored.

I am also asking parents not to hang around school in the playground whilst their children are at after schools clubs. With up to 600 adults authorised to collect children it is impossible to recognise everybody and unless you have a valid DBS you shouldn't be on site after dismissal. Please leave and return at 4.30pm

On Monday a group of pupils, all of whom play instruments, visited the 'Virtual Orchestra' installation at the Royal Festival Hall. This gave the children the chance to experience a world-class symphony orchestra, *The Philharmonia*, from the inside. The pupils firstly had a short introduction and warm up, run by one of the Philharmonia staff, before entering the *Universe of Sound*. This is a specially filmed performance of Holst's *The Planets* where each section of the orchestra was projected into different rooms, and you literally walk through the Orchestra, focusing on each group and even getting to play along with the percussion section! They also then had the

On the 27th of September 2016 the orchestra from Sacred Heart School went to the Southbank centre to see the virtual orchestra.

We travelled by train from Clapham Junction to Waterloo station.

We saw every instrument in an orchestra while listening to classical music.

Later on we were able to use technology with an app about the instruments and what they sound like. It was a very interesting, inspiring and educational experience.

Finally we caught a train back to school just in time for lunch.

Sophia year 5G



opportunity to have a go at being a conductor on a simulator interactive screen, and to use an advanced virtual reality headset which allowed them to experience sitting in the middle of a top orchestra, looking around in all directions -truly immersive. Please visit <http://www.southbankcentre.co.uk/whatson/festivals-series/virtual-orchestra> to find out more. See above for what Sophia from 5G thought!

Parents' Evening

Tuesday 15th November will be parent's evening. School will close at 1.50 and appointments run 2.00-7.00pm.

Scooters and Bikes

Please can we remind parents not to ride bikes and scooters on the premises. Thank you.

Uniform

We have had parents ask about the school uniform policy. Please refer to the website 'under parent's info' 'documents and letters' for full details.

<http://www.sacredheartsschoolbattersea.co.uk/documents-letters/>

Photos

Next week Individual photos are on the 5th October. Please make sure your child/children are wearing the correct uniform. If you would like siblings/family photos please come to the new office, and we will escort you to the MPR room. This will start at 8.05am and it will be on a first come first served basis. Thank you.

We are recruiting!

Fruity Club is open Monday to Friday 3:30pm-6:30pm, in term time only at Sacred Heart Primary School.

We are looking for someone to assist in the day-to-day activities of the club, whether it is working one day or all five.

Parents are welcome to apply. Please contact John Cronin on 07970 488 437 or email admin@fruityclub.co.uk

The Sacred Heart, Battersea is looking to recruit someone on a part time basis to assist in the administration of a busy parish. The role is to provide comprehensive support to the Parish Team in all administrative matters within the Parish and will cover secretarial, financial and office management work. Previous secretarial experience is essential - along with some knowledge of bookkeeping/financial work. The successful candidate will be fully conversant with current office software such as Outlook, Word and Excel and be generally comfortable with IT and office equipment. He/she will have excellent telephone skills and a good understanding of the workings of a Roman Catholic Parish. Hours are 9.30am to 11.30am Monday to Friday. Salary is £13.00 per hour. Ideally they would like someone to start in October.

Application Forms available from the Parish on:

0207 223 2747

School Dates

October

4th 3.30pm - 4.00pm Y1 Meet the Teacher

4th 9.55am 5T Class Assembly

4th 3.30pm Y2 Open Class

11th 9.55am 5G Class Assembly

15th 12.00-2.00pm EYFS BBQ

November

15th Parent's Evening