

Newsletter



Sacred Heart RC Primary School

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Dear Parents

My New Year's resolutions to do the Newsletter on a Friday is failing!! It is a Friday but a week late. However it is a bumper edition detailing some of the forthcoming projects that the children are going to be involved in, experiences they should remember for a long time.

Welcome to the first Newsletter of the New Year.

Could I take this opportunity to thank you all on behalf of myself and the staff for your generosity and kindness!! I was overwhelmed with your Christmas gifts of cheese, socks, drinks and many other wonderful items and I know the staff felt the same. Secondly may I wish you and all family a peaceful and successful happy New year.

Clubs

After school clubs have recommenced and one of those has already generated our first success of 2018. Yet again Sacred Heart are the Sportshall Athletics champions of Battersea. Congratulations to Miss Ormonde and Mr Thomas and all the children.

There has been some talk on social media about the Clubs that the school offers after school. We have always prided ourselves on the variety of clubs that we have been able to offer given the constraints of internal space. These clubs represent excellent value especially when you compare them to those provided by external providers. One of those external providers Precision Gymnastics has given notice that it intends to move out of Sacred Heart in search of bigger premises. As luck has it I have been able to keep them in the federation but nevertheless I have worked with Michelle for many years and it is great sadness that she cannot be accommodated at Sacred Heart. Miss Ormonde is already in active talks with other gymnastics providers to ensure that we are still able to offer a gymnastics after school club following Precision's departure in March.

The Uniform provider: 'School Uniform Direct' is closing its Tooting shop and moving its South London operation to its Mitcham base. They are however prepared to bring our school uniform to its Fulham shop which is slightly closer. It depends what parents want. Ms Mustafa in the office would be interested in your opinion. You are of course still able to order using their click and collect service and then pick up from either shop. <https://www.schooluniformdirect.co.uk>

Support for school's meals checker: Parents are able to check whether they might be eligible for financial support to towards their meals costs by using a new checking system. Simply follow the link and add you National Insurance number. If you are entitled to support for school meals please let us know as the school can then £1000 for child to go towards additional support.

<https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/>

Time Explorer's Project at The Tower of London



We have been given the fantastic opportunity to take part in a cross-curricular project at The Tower of London this year. The project is based around the incredible, true story of a Jesuit priest, imprisoned for his faith, who managed to escape the infamous Tower and his ghastly fate using just a feather, some rope and an orange! Years 1 to 5 have all been given a free visit to the Tower which will include a tour with the Tower's actors as well as a drama workshop. Back at school all children will produce work based on their experience and we will send this off to be judged in a competition. All winning schools will have their work published and will be invited to a special party at the Tower later in the year.

Deacon Michael and Father Gerry are very excited and will be going with the children to hear the priest's story!

Zeraffa the Giraffa

Year 2 performing at the Omnibus Theatre Clapham!!

Year 2 have almost completed their Friday afternoon workshops based on the book and performance of Zeraffa Giraffa with the Omnibus Theatre. They have created sets, written a script and this week will be directing REAL - yes - REAL actors to perform their script as they want it! The final performance for Year 2 children and their parents will take place at the Omnibus Theatre on the afternoon of Sunday 4th February. We just can't wait to see it!



Mrs Christie, meanwhile, has been meeting someone very famous. He is the former Children's Laureate and all things poetry! It is, of course, Michael Rosen famous for writing 'We're going on a bear hunt'. Perhaps you could read some of his poetry this week and turn your favourite Michael Rosen poem into a brilliant poster which Mrs Christie will display. I look forward to hearing and seeing your Michael Rosen poems. If you are feeling really creative why not write your own version of one of his poems?



School Council Update

Playground buddy interviews were held before we broke up for Christmas. We were really pleased by how many of the year 5 children showed a willingness to give up their playtimes to spend time on the infants' playground; teaching them new games and helping them to play.



The interviews were tough – not unlike the semi-finals of “The Apprentice”, but the confidence of the year 5 candidates shone through and they answered the questions well.

Congratulations to:

Children in 5G: Alexis, Monie, Amelie, Catalina, Nicole, Jamie D, Victoria, Athenais, Tosia, Leah and Daved and in 5F: Ellen, Anna, Hermon, Miyanna, Kelly, Anu, Aaron, Margarida, Olivia, Cartier, Brit, Alexandra, AJ, Jacob, Leon, Aron T and Tori

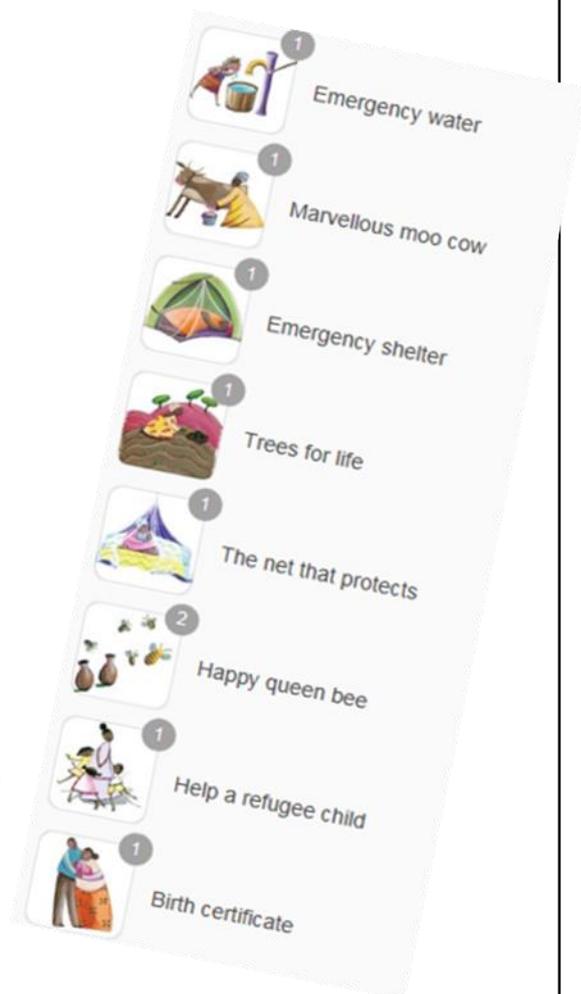
Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for all of your support with this.

School Council teamed up with the **Faith Friends** to raise money for CAFOD too. Our “Christmas Jumper Day” was well supported and each class were able to order a World Gift from the CAFOD catalogue to send to families in other countries. Our gift list is opposite and the cards are around the school

We have been busy looking at the feedback from the children in our pupil questionnaires and trying to make sure that every child is heard at Sacred Heart School. We have a full agenda for the spring term... look out in future newsletters for what we have planned.

from School Council



News from the PE department

The Battersea Football League being organised by Sacred Heart & St Mary's Federation kicked off this week with wins against Chesterton and Christchurch. Eight schools are involved and will play each week to see who will be crowned the winners!



The Wandsworth Schools Sportshall Athletics final will be held at Southfields on Monday

The netball team will play their final tournament of the season against the rest of the schools in Wandsworth. After some fantastic performances so far this year, I am confident that they will continue with this success.

I'm sure you'll join me in wishing all three teams the very best of luck.

Beat It! Weight Management & Healthy Lifestyles Programme will be returning to run a programme at Sacred Heart at the new time of 4.00-5.30pm. This programme is designed to help families who are worried about their children's weight and or eating habits. The programme is FREE to attend and involves a 45 minute nutritional session, followed by a fun 45 minute physical activity session, which is led by our very own Mr Thomas. The programme is very informative and over the 10 weeks, it covers topics such as; portion sizes, sugars in drinks, good fats and bad fats, food labels and how to read them and much more. The Beat It! Team will be holding a coffee morning at Sacred Heart on Thursday 18th January from 9.00-9.45am in the John Bosco Building (New Build) for those parents wanting to find out more. Please do come along!

Beat It!

FREE Weight Management & Healthy Lifestyle Programme for young people

For children aged 5-11
Weekly sessions include healthy eating activities, tips on how to make healthier choices as well as fun physical activities.
Sessions are for 1.5 hours per week and parents are required to attend with their children. Places are subject to the children meeting the programme criteria.

For teens aged 12-17
Weekly sessions include tips on how to make healthier choices, practical food activities fun physical challenges and team building exercises.
Sessions are for 1.5 hours per week and places are subject to the participant meeting the programme criteria.

For more information on this FREE Programme please contact Leisure & Sports Services on 020 8871 8386 or www.enablelc.org

Wandsworth enable Leisure & Sport

The poster features a large, smiling cartoon clock character with arms and legs, wearing sneakers. The clock face has a friendly expression with large eyes and a wide smile. The background is white with orange and blue accents.

Our school has been selected by Sport England to complete a survey to help them find out what types of sport and physical activity children from Y1/3/5 are doing inside and outside of school.

The survey will be completed in school by children in the selected classes over the next few weeks. We've also been asked to get parents of children in Y1 to complete the survey and for every parent that completes one, the school will receive £50! So please do help us in raising as much money as possible by completing the survey when requested. Any parents that do not have access to a PC or ipad, we can arrange for a time for you to pop in and complete it here at school. Further information regarding this will be sent out shortly.

Unity Service in Sacred Heart Church

Sunday 21st January 2018 @ 6.00pm

Parish Dance

Live Music: "Grand Parie"

Friday 26th January 2018 in

Rua hall at St John Bosco

College

Tickets: £3 individual

£10 family



Fr Pat McGrath sdb Memorial Lecture Series

Monday 22nd January @ 7.30pm Don Bosco

Room (Sacred Heart Church)

January	Dates
Don Bosco Federation Mass KS2	Wednesday 31st 10.00 am SH
SATS Family Learning Y6	Maths - School Hall 24th 6 - 7.30 pm English - School Hall 31st 6 - 7.30 pm
Y3 swimming	Spring term
Class assemblies - 9.00 am	17th Nursery 24th 1N 31st 2H

February	Dates
Y1 Family Learning	Thursday 8th - pm
Inset Day - school closed	RE Monday 19th
Lent Retreat Morning Y3 (Matilda theme)	Thursday 22nd
HH Parent workshop	Wednesday 28th
Class assemblies - 9.00am	7th 5G 28th 5F

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