

Newsletter



Sacred Heart RC Primary School

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Dear Parents, Carers and Students

I write this as London is about to move a higher tier of Covid alert. From midnight I won't be able to meet friends or indeed my mum, in a house, pub or restaurant.

No play dates! No parties! No sleepovers! No more than 6 in an outside gathering!

There is however one exception and **that is school**. We will stay open throughout the higher restrictions unless there is a dramatic change. We will continue to provide your children with the chance to socialise, play, exercise, talk and enjoy wonderful learning opportunities.

School Street

May I thank parents for embracing the School Street closures! We are still waiting for some changes to the roads but I am really grateful to those parents who have swapped to walking, scootering and cycling. I know there are parents who have to drive and I am really grateful to them for parking further away and walking the rest of the distance.

After half term we will look at changing the direction of queuing in Cabul Rd to take advantage of the quieter road. Parents and children do still need to be aware of other road users like cyclists and electric scooters.

Parents Evening and Christmas

With everything these days we are going to make Covid changes to all sorts of areas. Parents Evening will be conducted over the phone and it will be a 'virtual' Christmas I'm afraid.

More details will follow after half term.



Black history month

As part of our celebrations of the achievements of Black men and women we welcomed Oli Moore from the Chelsea Foundation into Year 6. Oli did a wonderful presentation on past and present black male and female players in the club and the history of their participation.

The children were really engaged and have been given a project looking at the career of Drew Spence who has experienced racism during her time with the English ladies team.

The same year group have been looking at the impact and contribution of black men and women in the English industrial revolution of the 19th century.



The Wednesday Word

The Wednesday Word is currently online only and can be found on the school website along with other helpful information.

The word of the week is Gratitude

“A heart that knows how to say thank you is a good heart,” Pope Francis



Holy Communion

We wish all the children of the school who are making their First Holy Communion a holy and joyful day.

On Saturday Lilly, Rishon, Nel and Nina will receive Jesus into their lives.

They are in our thoughts and prayers.



Reading

We cannot stress enough how beneficial it is for your child to be read to by you. Reading books aloud is one of the best ways you can help your child to learn to read. This can be fun for you too! The more excitement you show when you read a book, the more your child will enjoy it.

During half term there is an excellent online event for parents and carers.



THE OPEN UNIVERSITY PARTNERS WITH MACMILLAN CHILDREN'S BOOKS TO EXTEND ITS READING FOR PLEASURE WORK TO FAMILIES.

The Open University (OU) is launching *Book Chat: Reading with your Child*, a resource which comprises three short films and support materials to help parents, families and carers read books conversationally and creatively to children.

The new films and support materials can be found at: <https://researchrichpedagogies.org/research/supporting-rah> (live from 09:00 on Thursday 15 October).

#helloyellow

Many thanks to all the parents and children who supported the children's mental health day by wearing yellow. All the money raised will go to Young Minds UK.

