

Newsletter



Sacred Heart RC Primary School

19/03/2021

Dear Parents,

We come to the end of a 'joyful' week. In Assembly we celebrated 'Laetare'. Sunday or Joyful Sunday, and this week the classrooms, music rooms and playground have been full of the sounds of happy children. Attendance since the return has been 98.7% overall! This is way above the National average so I think parents are full of joy as well!!

This week we had the first after schools clubs at Sacred Heart since March 18 2020!!

It was wonderful to see children (albeit from the same year group) competing and enjoying additional sporting opportunities again. 76 children took up the offer.

After Easter we will continue to expand our after school clubs offer, although we will stick in year groups for the first half term. Mr Kriwaczek will organise some music classes and I will back at the helm of Homework aimed just at Year 5 children.



Weekly reminder:

On Thursday we had the first notification of a positive case in a school family. Fortunately the children have tested negative so they have to isolate but not their classmates. This is your weekly reminder to remember the rules. Please do observe social distancing and mask wearing particularly at drop off and pick up times. It is particularly distressing to be working so hard following rules in schools to hear from children innocently telling staff about play dates and trips out!!

School Street:

Many thanks to the parents who are volunteering and supporting the school street campaign. The observant amongst you will have noticed the new bollards that have been dug into the road but that I am having difficulty getting them working. I broke the key this week in one and had to call the council out to put the bollard back in the ground!!

Lenten Charity:

Please do remember to keep saving towards the **St Georges hospital Charity** – our Lenten charity.

Music Lessons:

Small group music lessons have started again this week. These lessons are delivered by highly trained musicians whose salaries are dependent on the



fees that the children are charged. Over the years we have worked hard to ensure that we charge the absolute minimum that we can to enable children from as many families to have the opportunity. However we have to charge and we have to collect the fees.

Failure to pay for your child's music lessons will mean they would be unable to have their lesson.



Dates for the Diary - Celebration of the Word:

Fr Hugh and Deacon Michael will be celebrating Holy Week with the school over zoom on Monday 29th March at 10am. I will send the zoom invite to parents who are welcome to join the celebration on Class Dojo School page.

End of Term:

School finishes on **Wednesday 31st March**. There are staggered pick up times for each year group:

Year Group	Finish Time on Wednesday 31st March	Pick Up Point
Nursery	No afternoon session Full time children to be collected 1.00pm	Nursery Gate
Reception	1.05pm	Cabul Road
Year 1	1.10pm	Cabul Road
Year 2	1.15pm	Cabul Road
Year 3	1.15pm	Este Road
Year 4	1.20pm	Este Road
Year 5	1.25pm	Este Road
Year 6	1.30pm	Este Road
Hilary House	1.30pm	Nursery Gate

Inset:

School will be closed for the **Monday 19th April** for teacher training. It will re-open with normal staggered times and gates on the **Tuesday 20th April**.

The Wednesday Word is FOLLOW

“Let us ask for the grace to follow Jesus faithfully, not in words but in deeds” Pope Francis.

Sacred Heart Parish Easter Services:

Because of the restrictions on numbers of people allowed in our Churches we are having to ask people to book places for our Holy Week Services.

The Services that will need to be booked are:

Palm Sunday: Mass at 9.30am, 11.30am and 1:00pm (Extra mass)
Maundy Thursday: Mass at 5:00pm and Mass at 7:00pm
Good Friday: Service of the Passion at 12 Noon and Service at the Passion at 3pm
Holy Saturday: The Easter Vigil at 8:00pm
Easter Sunday: Morning Mass at 9.30am, 11.30am and 1:00pm.

You will need to contact the parish office on 020 7223 2747 or email the office at batterseawest@rcaos.org.uk to book your places. The Parish office will confirm the availability and the places for you.

Churches are open- but Numbers are restricted.