

Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

24th June 2025

As we approach the final stretch of the academic year, I want to thank you all for your continued support during what is always a packed and energetic time in the school calendar. From workshops and concerts to competitions and trips, it's a joy to see the children thrive in such a rich learning environment. With so much going on, it's easy to lose track of the days – I often find myself checking my diary twice before heading off to the next event!

As temperatures rise, we are taking steps to ensure all children stay safe and comfortable in school. This includes adjusted PE times, shaded play areas, extra hydration breaks and reminders to wear sunhats and apply sunscreen. We appreciate parents' continued support in helping the children stay cool during this warm spell. With the frequencies of heatwaves increasing parents might like to talk to their Friends organisation-FOSH about fundraising to install air-conditioning in each classroom.

We are aware that some parents were concerned by an incident that took place outside the school last week. A man was arrested by the police near the school gates. We want to reassure all families that the school responded swiftly and followed safeguarding procedures. We remain in regular contact with local authorities and the Police to ensure the safety of our community.

Y4 Athletics at Wimbledon Park

On Thursday, our Year 4 pupils took part in the Wandsworth Catholic Schools Athletics Competition held at Wimbledon Park. Despite the blazing heat the team represented Sacred Heart with pride, energy and determination—securing an outstanding 2nd place overall. We are so proud of their efforts, and grateful to the staff who helped prepare and support them on the day. The children's sportsmanship and spirit were commented on by many. Well done, Year 4!



Y5 Cricket Competition

Well done to Y5 in their cricket competition on Friday. Two wins for Sacred Heart and they made it through to the finals. The team did extremely well and won silver medals and selection to play at the Surrey tournament. Keep it up Y5!



Y5: A Week of Culture and Creativity

Year 5 are having a particularly inspiring few days. They are taking part in another ballet workshop culminating in a visit to see *Ella's Big Chance: A Jazz-Age Cinderella* performed by the London Children's ballet. 5L are taking great delight showing 5C the basics of ballet in having already performed at The Royal Academy of Dance.



In addition, our Year 5 children have been working in collaboration with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra on a very special project. As part of the Battersea Park concerts, they are helping to produce a film that will be shown at the event. It's been a truly exciting opportunity for the children to see how music and storytelling come together, and they have risen to the challenge with enthusiasm and creativity.

Eco Club Visit to Crockford Farm

Our Eco Club members visited Crockford Farm on Friday to deepen their understanding of where food comes from and the journey it takes before reaching our plates. As part of their sustainability work, the children harvested produce which they will now turn into jam and chutney to be sold at the Piccadilly Whole Foods Market. It was a powerful, hands-on experience that links beautifully with our focus on environmental stewardship and enterprise. We look forward to seeing (and tasting!) the final products.



Music Concert – 7th July 2pm

We are looking forward to welcoming families to our music concert coming soon. All children involved in additional music lessons will be taking part and showcasing their talent. From guitar to percussion, we hope this concert will inspire continued musical learning over the summer holidays. This term's concert will hold special significance as it is being held **in memory of Mr. Gash**, who sadly passed away during the Christmas holidays, shortly after our Winter Concert. Mr. Gash was a cherished member of our school community whose passion for music and dedication to students left a lasting impact. This tribute concert will honour his memory through the music he so dearly loved.

Apple Showcase – 10th July at 9am

Mr McCarten will be taking some children to show a video at the latest Apple plc showcase at the Battersea Arts Centre. Sacred Heart will join other local schools in sharing our journey with Apple and digital learning. Pupils will be demonstrating their work and presenting to visitors, including councilors and Apple representatives.

Catholic Life of the School

Feast of the Sacred Heart – Friday 27th June

On Friday we celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart—an occasion especially meaningful to our school community. My thanks to those children who have already produced beautiful artwork and thoughtful writing in preparation for the day. We encourage others to contribute their own work as we mark this important feast. The work will be displayed at the church to showcase and advertise the amazing talents and creativity in Sacred Heart school'

Y2-Y6 will attend the Parish Mass at Sacred Heart Church at 10am. Parents are welcome to join us for this joyful celebration. Children may wear their own clothes on the day if they bring in a suggested donation of £2, which will go towards our school's fundraising efforts. (Please do remember that as we are going to church children should be dressed appropriately with covered shoulders).



The Wednesday Word is **Nourish**.

"Jesus is the bread of life for our families." – Pope Francis

First Holy Communion

On Saturday a group of children made their First Holy Communion (during the weekend of the Feast of Corpus Christi). The children were indeed nourished both physically and spiritually as they took the Holy Eucharist - the bread of life – for the very first time. Well done to the children. We hope you and your families enjoyed your special day.



Key Dates for your Diary

Date	Summer 1 Events
Friday 27 th June	Year 2-Year 6, Feast of Sacred Heart Mass (End of year mass), 10.00am at Sacred Heart Church. Parents are welcome.
Monday 30 th June	Year 5 SJBC taster afternoon.
Wednesday 2 nd July	Nursery and Reception Sports Day, 9.15am-10.30am at KS2 Playground. Parents are welcome. Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day, 10.30am-12.00noon at KS2 Playground. Parents are welcome. EYFS Welcome meeting for parents at 6.00pm.
Friday 4 th July	Year 5 Peacock Theater visit.
Monday 7 th July	Music concert at 2.00pm.
Tuesday 8 th July	EYFS Parent interviews. Marie Metcalfe Reading assembly at 9.30am. Pupils to meet their new class teacher.
Wednesday 9 th July	Year 6 Performances at 2.30pm and 4.30pm.
Thursday 10 th July	Apple Showcase at 9.00am. EYFS and Year 1 End of year mass in the afternoon at Sacred Heart Church. Parents are welcome.
Friday 11 th July	Year 1 Singing festival at All Saints Church. Year 5 SJBC Sports morning.
Tuesday 15 th July	EYFS Stay and Play session. Year 6 leavers mass and party at 4.00pm to 7.00pm.
Wednesday 16 th July	KS2 Sports Day, 10.00am-12.30pm at Battersea Park Athletics Track.
Thursday 17 th July	Year 6 – Signing of shirts in the morning. Hilary House - End of year show. Year 6 - Clap out at 3.00pm.
Friday 18 th July	Last Day of the school year – School closes for pupils at 1.30pm.
Monday 21 st July	INSET Day – School closed for pupils.