



# Sacred Heart Catholic School



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Dear Parents,

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2019

## Gospel of Sunday –

### On Line Safety



We live in a world where our children have access to all kinds of social media. It is important, particularly with younger children that access to the internet and social media sites, whether they are using a PC, phone, tablet/lpad, that they are closely supervised and monitored. We have received information from parents and pupils of inappropriate and unpleasant messages sent which have obviously not been supervised by a responsible adult. Children should be reminded that if they would be unwilling to say something face-to-face it is not suitable for a txt/Instagram/whatsapp communication. Please support us in keeping all of our children safe.



**Your  
Contact  
Details**

### CONTACT DETAILS

There are occasions when we need to make contact with parents during the school day – if children are poorly for example. It is extremely important that we have at least **two contacts; with relevant contact details** and that details are checked and up to date. If you are unsure or think that school may not have your most recent details please call into the school office to check and update where necessary. It is a matter of safeguarding that we are able to make contact with parents/guardians in an emergency.

### COMMENDATIONS, ATTENDANCE and PUNCTUALITY

This week the following children have received commendations; Well done and congratulations to; **Niyah Smith Bennett, Lucas Netabay, Valery Osagi Osamunamen, Mallika Morton Best, Egonghon Uzeh Okebi and Nayilon Mayika.** Well done to all of them – it was lovely to hear about their achievements last week.

We are always trying to achieve 100% attendance every week. Best attendance for week ending **18th January – Class 5 with 99.4% attendance** –Well done to Mrs Smith and class 5 for such a good start to the term. Class 5 were also the most punctual class (98%)

The winning House this week was **St John.**



### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

#### CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES – IMPORTANT

We look forward to seeing the children who are preparing for **Confirmation at 10.00am Mass this Sunday.** Parents should collect certificates of Commitment from Mrs Walker at the end of Mass.

If you have a child who is preparing to receive the Sacraments of **Reconciliation and First Holy Communion** (Class 4) or **Confirmation** (Classes 6 and 7) please see the list of important dates.

It is really important that parents attend meetings and that both parents and children attend the Masses as indicated – even if you would normally attend Mass at another Parish.



### HOME READING

Reading is one of the most important skills that we learn and develop. It is important that all children read regularly, preferably every evening, and that reading records are completed and signed every evening. Please encourage your son/daughter to read in order to develop their skill level and a love of reading.



### REMINDERS



During the course of the term we accumulate a lot of lost property. Please make

sure that all clothing and P.E./swimming kit is clearly labelled. PE kit should be left in school, tidily in the cloakroom.

### HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES



We have a number of children who have severe allergies. **It is important that NO products containing nuts are brought into school.** Lunchboxes should contain a healthy variety of snacks and a non-fizzy, low sugar, drink. **Sweets and chocolate are not appropriate.** All children have access to water should they prefer this.

### ASTHMA INHALERS



It is absolutely vital that children who require an asthma inhaler (or an epipen) have them in school. Inhalers should be clearly labelled with your child's name and class and should be handed in to class teachers and will be stored in classrooms for easy access. Epipens should be regularly renewed, clearly labelled and handed into the school office.



<b>Autumn 2018</b>	<b>Spring 2019</b>	<b>Summer 2019</b>
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September To Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October <b>-Half Term-</b> Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> November To Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January To Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February <b>-Half Term-</b> Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February To Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May To Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May <b>-Half Term-</b> Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June To Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July

### Teacher Training

#### Days:

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019  
Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019

NOTE: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR BANK HOLIDAY

With every good wish for the weekend and the week ahead.  
God Bless

Mrs C E Walker