



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Invitation to parents

We are very lucky at Sacred Heart to have Father Stephen come and celebrate mass with us each week. During Holy Week, a few parents joined us for mass which was lovely. Parents and family members are always welcome to come to mass each Thursday at 9.10am. It sets a wonderful example to your children of being witnesses to Christ.

Office area

Please feel free to come and take a look at our office/reception area that has been newly decorated and now shows the importance and meaning behind our virtues. It is a lovely display that shares the message to all about what Sacred Heart Catholic School is about.

Congratulations

The class with the best attendance this week was – **Year 6** with 99%.

Congratulations to **Year 6** for also achieving 98 % punctuality.

The winning houses this week were: St Luke and St John.

Commendations

Congratulations to the following children this week: Kymani Evelyn, Nabeeha Ahmer Siddiqui, Shakayla Cooper, Josiah Rodriguez, Tiana' Li Younis, Kian Gordon, Kah'vanni Lincoln and All of Year 6

Gospel Virtues

This half term, the children will be thinking about the virtues of being Curious and Active. Please help the children to be curious about everything and active in their engagement with the world, changing what they can do for the better.

These children have been praised for their virtues this week: Tomass Lusi, Lucas Netabay, Isatou Sillah, Princely Okonofua, Alyssa-Jai Gordon, Michael Frimpong and Kyrone Walsh.

Say it with a smile! - *Message from the KS1 staff*

These days, we all have very busy lives and it is easy to forget to even say good morning or good afternoon to people we pass. Mobile phones and earplugs often stop us engaging in good old fashioned 'chit chat'. We are challenging the children to remember how important these little snippets of conversation are and how they might fill someone's heart with joy on a bad day.

As parents, we are encouraging you to try and do the same! At the end of school, try and greet your child with a smile, hello and a question about what they have enjoyed at school. It will make their day!

End of Key Stage 2 Tests

It has been a tiring week for Year 6 as they completed their SATs tests. A huge congratulations and well done to all of the children who showed amazing focus and perseverance during the assessments. We have been so proud of how they conducted themselves. Always remember that these tests do not show the world all the other wonderful talents and skills God has given you.

Dates for your diary reminders

There will be a meeting for the parents of the children making their First Holy Communion on **Monday 20th May**.

Please remember that school will be closed for a teacher training day on **Monday 3rd June**. The first day back after the 'whitsun' ½ term break will be Tuesday 4th June.

Hairstyles

Thank you to all parents and carers who have followed our school policy regarding hairstyles in school. We have noticed a decline in the number of children attending school with inappropriate hairstyles. This positive home-school partnership is such a good example for your children to see. Please can girls remember that long hair must be tied back for health and safety reasons.

Uniform

Reminder that all children should wear black shoes to school and not trainers. Children should also leave school at the end of the day in their school shoes.

Water bottles

The children have really enjoyed playing outside in the warm weather this week but it is important that they have water to drink. Children in KS1 have water bottles in school that are regularly washed and filled by adults. KS2 children need to bring a water bottle to school that can be taken home to wash each day and refilled.

‘Westmid Kid’s After School and Holiday Club’

For parents who are seeking childcare for before and after school, the ‘Westmid Kids Holiday Club’ currently has spaces available. Mrs Bent is working at this club so there would be a familiar face there for the children. Please speak to Natecia on 07894163994 if you have any enquiries. The club is located at Holy Trinity Academy, Havelock Road, Birmingham.

Parent Mail

All parents have already received a letter and an email regarding registration for Parent Mail. Parents can now use this system for dinner money payments.

Sports for Champions UK

Each child will receive an additional letter and sponsor form today.

We are very lucky that on 18th June we will have a visit from a member of the GB Olympic team coming to speak to the children about the importance of fitness and the dedication it takes to be a champion. During the day, all of the children will take part in various sponsored exercises. We are asking parents if they could try and raise some money to help support the training of these athletes as they are unsponsored and not funded by any grants. Every penny helps to ensure that these talented athletes have the opportunity to reach their full potential and possibly become future GB gold medallists- it could be your child one day!

Mr Miller- PE Lead, Coach and Teaching Support

I am pleased to inform you that from the 4th June Mr Miller (children often called him Mr Weston) is returning back to Sacred Heart School as our PE Lead, Sports Coach and organiser and Teaching support to both the staff and children. I am sure you will make him welcome on his return.

May is the Month for honouring Mary the mother of God in a special way.
We build altars and shrines in her honour and say prayers to her more so than at other times.

Memorare



**Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary
that never was it known
that anyone who fled to thy protection, was left unaided,
implored thy help or sought thy intercession,
Inspired with this confidence,
I fly unto thee,
O Virgin of virgins, my mother;
to thee do I come before thee I stand,
sinful and sorrowful,**





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**O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions,
but in thy mercy hear and answer me.
Amen,**

Yours sincerely

Mr G M O'Hara
Executive Principal