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Executive Principal: Mr. G M O'Hara

28th May 2021

Dear Parents,

This Sunday is the Feast of The Most Holy Trinity. Saint Patrick used a three-leaved clover (a shamrock) to illustrate the mystery of the Trinity: it has three leaves but is just one plant. He did this to explain that in the one God, there are three divine persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. These three persons are bound together

in love.

The Wednesday Word this week is 'Friendship.' Before his death, Jesus was deserted by his friends. In this Sunday's Gospel we read how, after his resurrection, he assured his friends that he would be with them always, regardless of their weaknesses and faults. This same promise of eternal friendship is also offered to each one of us. Friendship is one of life's great blessings. What could we do to be better friends this week?

## "Lord, open my heart, mind and ears to receive your Word."



The eleven disciples went to Galilee. They came to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them after he had risen to new life. When they saw him they bowed down before him, though some hesitated. Then Jesus spoke to them. "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me," he said. "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; teach them to keep all the commandments I have given you. And remember: I am with you always; yes, to the end of time." *Taken from the Gospel of Sunday 30th May 2021 Cf. Matthew 28:16-20* 



"There is nothing on this earth more to be prized than true friendship." St Thomas Aquinas

## The Wednesday word is Friendship



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### Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation

We have been very fortunate over the last few weeks to have been able to celebrate these special sacraments with some of our KS2 children. Both masses were lovely and the children were so reverent; all their families should be very proud of them. We hope they feel strengthened by receiving the Body of Christ during Holy Communion and able to demonstrate the fruits of the Spirit as the disciples did at Pentecost.





### **Class Photographs**

EYFS, Year 2 and Year 6 will be having their class photographs taken on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June. They must be wearing their school uniform on this day.

### Grammar School Tests- Year 5 children - Entry to Year 7 in September 2022

If you are interested in your child taking the optional Grammar school tests, parents can now register their child for the test by applying online before 4pm on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021. The test will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021. To register, parents need to visit www.birminghamgrammarschools.org Please speak to Mrs Barnett to check if this would be appropriate for your child.

#### **Term Dates**

#### Please remember that the first Summer Term ends today on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May.

### Please remember that Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June is a staff training day and school is closed to all pupils.

Summer 2 starts Tuesday 8th June Summer term ends Wednesday 21st July 2021

### Vacant places for September 2021 FY

We currently have some vacancies in our EYFS class for September 2021 if any families are looking for places for their children. As a faith based school, we welcome children of all faiths so please spread the word so children do not miss out. Contact the school office on 356 4721 to enquire or by email enquiry@sacredheart-sch.net. We currently have some vacancies in EYFS, Years 1, 3 and 4.

### **Ordering new school Uniform**

Please find attached to this letter details of ordering new school uniform. It's essential, especially for new parents to school, to be aware of uniform delivery expectations and relevant cut off dates which you'll find in the attached leaflets. During the holiday we strongly advise, to ensure uniform is received in time for back to school, that orders are placed online by Monday 2nd August. Please follow the link to the school website for details. https://www.sacredheart-sch.net/website/school uniform/5938



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### Punctuality

Arriving at school on time is just as important as attending each day. Parents will be receiving a letter after half term if punctuality is a concern to school.

Poor punctuality can lead to your child to:

- feeling embarrassed in front of their friends
- missing the beginning of vital lessons
- missing important instructions for the rest of the school day
- learning bad habits which could affect their employability in the future.

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days' worth of teaching lost in a year		
5 mins	3.4 days		
10 mins	6.9 days		
15 mins	10.3 days		
20 mins	13.8 days		
30 mins	20.7 days		

If your child's level of punctuality is of serious concern, the school will offer advice and support to improve attendance. After this, any unauthorised absence may result in the School and the Local Authority taking legal action.

If you have concerns about your child's school punctuality, or attendance, please contact the school urgently. They may be able to assist you or even offer you an Early Help Assessment.

Again, we would like to thank those parents who make sure their children are attending school regularly and are therefore benefiting fully from their educational opportunity.

## **Gospel Virtues**

This half term, the children are learning to be loving and compassionate. Pupils will be growing to be compassionate towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate; and loving by their just actions and forgiving words.

Congratulations to the following children for living out these virtues: Eliyanah, Adeola, Kymani, Zinhle, Injacio, and Janna.

### Commendations

The following children have been commended by their teachers and teaching assistants for their wonderful work in school: Alisha, Abdul Rahman, Heyab, Noah, Efrata, and Tiana Li.

### **Presentation Awards**

Well done to the following children who have shown such pride in the presentation of their work this week. Sokhna, Juliana, Emmanuel, Zabreena, Skylar and Shemar.

### **House Points**

Congratulations to St Mark for being the winning house this week.



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### Attendance

Congratulations to Year 1 who win this week's attendance award. Well done, children for knowing that every day matters.

FY	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	whole school
94.3%	100%	91.4%	92.4%	96%	93.2%	99.3%	95%

### May is the month of Mary

### Hail Holy Queen (Salve Regina)

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy; Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears! Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Yours sincerely

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