

# Sacred Heart Catholic School



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Dear Parents,

#### GOSPEL: Mark 7:24-30

Jesus went to the district of Tyre. He entered a house and wanted no one to know about it,but he could not escape notice. Soon a woman whose daughter had an unclean spirit heard about him. She came and fell at his feet. The woman was a Greek, a Syrophoenician by birth,and she begged him to drive the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first. For it is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She replied and said to him, "Lord, even the dogs under the table eat the children's scraps." Then he said to her, "For saying this, you may go. The demon has gone out of your daughter." When the woman went home, she found the child lying in bed and the demon gone.



#### ATTENDANCE

Thank you and well done to all parents, carers and children for their efforts in improving attendance this week. It is so important to be at school every day as every day missed is a missed day of learning. However, we really need to remind parents that it is essential that pupils are punctual for school as key moments are missed when children are late.



The school places a great emphasis on standards of appearance and pupils should avoid extremes of hairstyles. Hair for boys should not have patterns, lines or artwork shaved into it or extreme ridges. Girls may wear short extensions of natural colour, but hair must be tied back and of a neat appearance. In the Home to School partnership document that all parents signed it states:

"I will ensure my child has an appropriate hairstyle in accordance with school policy."



We have had a few cases of head lice in children. Please can you check your child's hair over the half term break. Children are infectious as long as live eggs are present. Pupils must stay at home until treatment is given if head lice are present.



Your child will be bringing home their **HTL (Half Termly learning report) today**. This is an important update of your child's attitude to learning in the core parts of the curriculum, their behaviour, attendance and punctuality and how well they are prepared for school each day. Please spend some time discussing this with your child.



# ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Congratulations to **Class** for achieving 100% punctuality. The winning house this week was **St. Matthew**.



### **GOSPEL VIRTUES**

Next half term's Gospel Virtues are encouraging the children to be **Learned and Wise**. We want the children to be **learned** by finding God in all things and **wise** in the way they use their learning for common good.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School closes for half term on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February** and re-opens on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.** 



## YOU ARE AMAZING!

Mrs Elliott and Mrs Cooper would like to say a **huge thank you** to all of our parents and school community who have supported them and the school during this very long half term. There have been a lot of changes in school since Christmas and as usual you have all been fully committed to accepting these changes for the good of the children- the heart of all we do. We are looking forward to welcoming Mr O' Hara after half term as our Executive Headteacher.

Have a wonderful half term break

Mrs Elliott and Mrs Cooper