



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Congratulations

The class with the best attendance this week was –
Congratulations to class for achieving % punctuality.

The winning house this week was: St. John

Commendations

Congratulations to the following children this week: Kelechi Adiole, Efrata Yohannes, Lonela Padureann, Treyson Ejikeme, Samuel Kin, Jaihun Zegard and Ayanna Anderson.

Gospel Virtues

This half term, the children will be thinking about the virtues of being Intentional and Prophetic. Intentional in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience; and prophetic in the example they set to others.

These children have been praised for their virtues this week: Emmanuel Nzumba, Arfa Hawlader, Michael Osagie Malonga, Mathius Bridgen-Insular, Mailis Mendy-Colley, Elisa Breton-Johnson and Jesse Okunbor.

First Holy Communion

Sunday was a wonderful day for the children in Year 3 that received the Eucharist for the very first time. They were so reverent and respectful during the service and we were immensely proud of them. Thank you to the choir, families, staff and parish community who came to celebrate- you helped to make it a very special occasion for the children.

It was also a very special moment yesterday during the school mass to watch their faces as they received the Eucharist for the second time !!

Feast of the Sacred Heart

Friday 28th June is the Feast of the Sacred Heart. As this is a very important feast day for our school, all the children will be walking to church to celebrate mass with Father Stephen. It would be lovely if family members wanted to join us for this special day and we are always grateful for support when walking the children to and from church. Please speak to Mrs Elliott or Mrs Cooper if you are able to help on this day. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00a.m so we will be leaving school at approximately 9.15am.

Please remember that as an integral part of our school community, you are all welcome to join us in school each Thursday at 9.10 a.m. to celebrate mass.

Birmingham Catholic Schools Sports - Alexander Stadium

On Monday, 22 children from KS2 competed in the annual Birmingham Catholic Schools Sports Association Athletics Competition at Alexander Stadium. The children represented Sacred Heart School with a real spirit of competitiveness. We are still looking forward to finding out the results! All of the children gave their absolute best- well done children. Thanks to the staff who accompanied them (*with out you they wouldn't have been able to attend*)

Parent Mail (Newsletters)

As mentioned in previous letters, all parents have been sent an email asking them to sign up to 'Parent Mail.' From September, the weekly newsletter will be accessed via this system. We are aware that some families may not have access to the internet and so a few paper copies will be left by the office if you wish to collect one.

Steel Pan Festival

On Wednesday 26th June at 2.00 p.m. we will be holding our annual Steel Pan Festival. The pupils at Sacred Heart are very fortunate to have Mr. Phillip teach them each week and they have made so much progress in their music lessons. Children from Years 4-6 will be performing the songs that they have been learning over the academic year. EYFS- Year 3 will be entertaining us by singing songs especially for the occasion. It would be lovely to see parents and families at this event as it is an amazing celebration of the children's musical talents. If it happens to rain on that day, we will have to have the festival inside and so it would not be possible for parents to attend. If this is the case, parents will be contacted by text. Fingers crossed for sunshine!

Asthmatic pupils

There are a number of children in school who are registered as asthmatic. It has come to our attention that many of these children do not have blue reliever inhalers in school. It is parent and carer responsibility to ensure that children have inhalers in school and that they are in date. We will be sending letters to parents whose children do not have inhalers and also requesting that you collect inhalers if their expiry date has passed.

Personal Challenges- School Games Mark

There is no stopping Mr Miller with his efforts in developing the sporting ability of our children! Next week, the children will be beginning work on their 'Personal Challenges.' These activities will be introduced in school and will encourage children to: work to achieve a set



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target, develop their stamina and perseverance and boost their self-esteem and confidence. The first activity will focus on running- please ask your child what their personal challenge is.

Water bottles

Hopefully over the next few weeks the weather will improve and it will feel a little more like summer. It is very important that children have a water bottle in school that they can refill and stay hydrated throughout the day. These bottles must be taken home, washed regularly and brought back to school.

Uniform

A polite reminder that all children **must wear black shoes to school and not trainers**. There are an increasing number of children wearing inappropriate footwear that is not in line with school policy. As stated in the policy, "*sensible black shoes (NOT BOOTS OR TRAINERS.)*"

Homework

The changes that we have made to homework in recent weeks have been positively received by the majority of children. Thank you so much to all parents and carers that have supported their child in their learning at home. It makes a huge difference to them. Please always speak to class teachers if you are unsure of how to support your child with their homework tasks. A special well done to Year 4 who have made the most amazing Egyptian pyramids at home. Miss Callan and Miss Mistry are so proud of your efforts- what wonderful role models you are for the rest of the school.

Uniform for September

If parents wish to purchase new uniform in preparation for September, there are order forms in the bookcase in the main entrance. Please fill in the form, place in an envelope with payment and hand to Miss Kirwan at the office.

Family meals- Message from Mrs. Sharples

The Seventh Day Adventist Church on Lichfield Road next to Aston train station is providing free meals for families. Every Tuesday at 6.00pm, families are welcome to go and enjoy a freshly cooked meal and spend time together. Please feel free to go along and enjoy this community project. See Mrs. Sharples if you require more details.

Reminder of dates

Wednesday 26th June 2.00- Steel Pan Festival

Friday 28th June 10.00- Feast of the Sacred Heart (at Sacred Heart Catholic Church)

Wednesday 3rd July- Class change day

Friday 5th July- Fun Day!

Wednesday 10th July 10.45- Leavers' Assembly

Friday 12th July- Year 6 Leavers' Trip to Wicksteed Park

Thursday 18th July 9.10- Year 6 Leavers' Mass

Friday 19th July- End of Summer term



Sweet Heart of my Jesus, grant that I may ever love Thee more. Amen

Yours sincerely

Mr G M O'Hara
Executive Principal