



# Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

The children have a well earned week and a days rest after their SATS tests. Although a short term, we have done a lot!!

## **Congratulations**

The class with the best attendance this week was –

Congratulations to class for achieving % punctuality.

The winning houses this week was: St John.

## **Commendations**

Congratulations to the following children this week: Enzo Alimanovic, Nelson Minja, Josiah Rodriguez, Treyson Ejekeme, Halfrida Aigbe, Francis Idemudia and Lovinnia Rose

## **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: Joaquin De La Cruz, Zinhle Mlaga, Helena Tesfay, Lois Kuten Nkrumah, Benjamin N'Guessan, David Nwokoye and Nekisha Minja.

Next half term the children will be focusing on the virtues- **Intentional and Prophetic.**

Intentional in the way we live and use the resources of the earth, guided by our good morals; and prophetic in the example we set to others.

## **E-Safety- TikTok**

It has come to our attention that a number of children have access to an online app called 'TikTok' which used to be called 'Musically.' The app is intended for users aged 13 plus and the rating is there for a reason; to keep children protected from online dangers. It is actually possible to watch 'TikTok' videos without creating an account, so make sure your child, if under 13, hasn't downloaded it.

Please see the attachment for further advice.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/wake-up-wednesday/tiktok-guide-for-parents/>

## **Table Top Sale**

Parents may be interested in a sale at Farm Street Community Church in Hockley on 25<sup>th</sup> May from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm. It is free entry and refreshments will be on sale. Please see the flyer in the noticeboard outside the school office for more information.

## **Level 2 Tennis- Y5/Y6**

Well done to the 8 children who competed in the tennis competition this week at King Edwards. Miss Joseph and Miss Weston said that their behaviour and attitude was exemplary and they were wonderful ambassadors for Sacred Heart.

## **First Holy Communion**

Thank you for the parents who came to support their child's preparation for this important sacrament. It would be lovely to see lots of our families and parish community at Sacred Heart Church on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June to help celebrate with the children.

## **Chickenpox**

We have had a few cases of chickenpox this week so please keep an eye on your children this half term holiday. There are a many symptoms of chickenpox such as: a mild fever, stomach ache and feeling run-down a day or two before a flat red rash appears. This is followed by tiny clear itchy blisters; red spots are usually seen next to the



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blisters. Children are infectious until the last spot has crusted over and so must not be in school. Most children are free from chickenpox in less than two weeks.

## PE Kits

As mentioned previously, it is very important that all children have a full PE kit in school on the first day back on 4<sup>th</sup> June. The school does not have enough kits to give out for those children who forget their kit. Kits must be left in school until the end of the half term.

## Good News!

We are delighted to tell you that Miss Danielle Latchman will be returning to Sacred Heart School as a teacher in September. Miss Latchman left us to gain more experience by teaching in Beijing and we look forward to her sharing her wealth of exciting new ideas when she comes back.

## Reminder of dates

Please remember that school will be closed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June for an INSET day. Children must return to school on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

## Academy Status

At Last, after lots of hard work and meetings behind the scenes I can confirm that on June 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School is joining the St John Paul II Multi Academy family of schools (SJPIIMA). There will be many benefits for the staff and children over the coming years as we will be joining with them for many fun, educational and memorable experiences as we all strive to create the best for all the children and families within the MAC.

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,**  
**implored thy help or sought thy intercession,**  
**was left unaided.**  
**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,**  
**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