



# Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## Message from Mrs Collier: Welcome back to the Summer Term!

I hope you all had a restful and joyful Easter break. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back into school, full of energy, enthusiasm and ready for the term ahead. As always, our school continues to be a place where faith, learning and community sit at the heart of everything we do. This is a particularly busy and important term for many of our pupils. Our Year 1 children will be taking part in the Phonics Screening Check, Year 4 will complete their Multiplication Tables Check, and Year 6 will sit their SATs. Alongside this, all children across the school will be engaging in end-of-year assessments. We are incredibly proud of the way our pupils approach these moments, with resilience, determination and a positive attitude and we will continue to support them every step of the way. This half term, we focus on the Catholic Social Teaching principle of The Common Good. This reminds us that we are all responsible for one another and that we should work together so that everyone can flourish. In school, this might look like children supporting one another in their learning, showing kindness on the playground, or working collaboratively in class so that everyone succeeds. A beautiful example of this is found in the parable of the Good Samaritan, where a stranger shows compassion and care for someone in need. Jesus teaches us through this story that we are called to love and serve others, not just those we know, but everyone in our community. "Love your neighbour as yourself" (Mark 12:31). As we begin this new term together, let us continue to grow in faith, kindness and unity, always striving to put others first and to build a community where everyone feels valued and supported.

## Weekly Attendance

Reception: 98.6%

Year One: 96.3%

Year Two: 97.1%

Year Three: 96.8%

Year Four: 96.7%

Year Five: 92.8%

Year Six: 87.7%

School: 95.1%

Year to date: 95.3%

## Gospel value: Friendship

Jesus teaches us how to be a good friend. In the Bible, Jesus says, "Peace be with you." He stayed with his friends when they were scared. He helped them and showed them love.

Friendship means:

- ✚ being kind
- ✚ helping each other
- ✚ including everyone
- ✚ being there when someone needs you

We are one big family in our school. At **Sacred Heart**, we are good friends and we care for everyone.

**Our school attendance target is 96%. We want every child to reach their full potential at school and maintaining good levels of attendance is vital in this. Thank you for your continued support with this!**

A reminder that our attendance policy is available on our school website and can be found here:

<https://www.sacredheartprimary.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=2659&type=pdf>

## Upcoming Dates

17<sup>th</sup> Apr – Y1 Ferry Meadows Trip – see letter sent

20<sup>th</sup> Apr – Y3 Ancient Greece Day – see letter

11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 6 SAT's week

21<sup>st</sup> May – School Census Day – special theme menu

25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May – HALF TERM

3<sup>rd</sup> June – Y2 Sacrewell Farm Trip – see letter

19<sup>th</sup> June – Class Group photos – details to follow

1<sup>st</sup> July – Transition AM – details to follow

3<sup>rd</sup> July – Sports Day – details to follow

3<sup>rd</sup> July - FOSH summer fayre – details to follow

7<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers production – details to follow

8<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers Trip – details to follow

16<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers Mass – details to follow

**Sunday's Gospel**  
**Luke 24:13-35**

## MASS DATES

09:05am each Thursday morning  
unless otherwise stated

23<sup>rd</sup> April – Y5 & Y1

30<sup>th</sup> April – Y4 & Y2

7<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 & Y3

15<sup>th</sup> May (Fri) – Whole School

21<sup>st</sup> May – Y4 & Y2

4<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 & Y3

11<sup>th</sup> June – Y5 & Y1

18<sup>th</sup> June – Y4 & Y2

25<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 & Y3

2<sup>nd</sup> July – Y5 & Y1

9<sup>th</sup> July – Y4 & Y2

16<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers Mass



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## Newsletter and R.E. Learning

### EYFS

EYFS have had a super first week of the summer term! We have started our new topic 'People who help us'. We have been thinking about what jobs the children already know about and why people have jobs. Our focus book this week is 'Super duper me' and we have been thinking about what makes us all super! We have been writing sentences about all of our talents in our literacy books.

In maths this week we have started looking at numbers beyond 10! We have been using the numicon to help us create teen numbers.

In RE this week, we have been sharing our Good News. We have been thinking about how Jesus resurrecting was Good News and how the Apostles shared the Good News.

EYFS attended the whole school mass this week and they were all amazing! They should all be very proud of themselves!

### Year 1

Year One have had a fantastic first week back! The children are really enjoying our new class text 'Paddington'.

The children are currently working on creating a character description. In maths, the children have impressed us with their knowledge and skills during our measurement topic. The children have been using balance scales to measure and compare the weight of different objects.

During our computing lessons, the children explored how to programme the Beebots.



### Year 2

Year Two have had a busy start to the term! In RE the children have been thinking about the resurrection and how Peter felt to hear the news. In English they have started their work on our new story "Dear Earth". They have thought about and written questions that they might ask the Earth. In maths they have begun their unit on fractions, looking at equal parts, unequal parts and halves. In DT they have practised threading a needle, tying a knot and sewing a running stitch. They then used a template to cut out the felt for their pouches.





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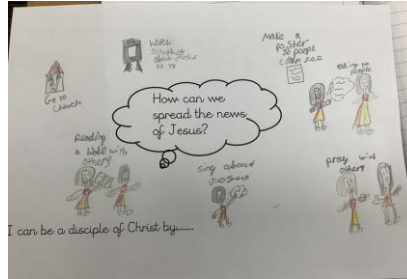
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### Year 3

In Year Three the children have been learning about newspaper reports in preparation for writing their own reports. In Maths they have been adding and subtracting fractions. In topic they have learnt about daily life in Ancient Greece ready for our special visitor next week!

In RE the children have been learning what happened after Easter and how the Christian church began. They thought about how Jesus instructed the disciples to spread the news of Jesus and then thought of ways we can spread the news now.



### Year 4

Year Four have had a busy week back! In English, we have focused on using direct speech and creating interesting and engaging dialogue. In theme, we explored the plants and animals of the Amazon rainforest and in science, we started to group living things together using their features. In RE, we looked at the thoughts and feelings of St Peter as he discovered the empty tomb and when he was visited by Jesus at Lake Tiberias. In DT, the children created their torches using our knowledge of electricity and their homemade switches. In Art, we started looking at designing 3D sculptures. We created 2D artwork of 3D sculptures using chalk on the playground.



### Year 5

Year Five have had a busy start to the Summer term. They started off with swimming where they were assessed ready for next week. The focus in RE this week has been the Holy spirit. The children started off with reading the scripture and discussed the gifts of the Holy spirit. They children then looked at art work of the Holy spirit and analysed it. Within Theme, Year five were learning about Climate change, they found out what it was and how it is affecting Antarctica. The children really enjoyed Science this week. They started the new unit 'Living things and their habitats' and they were looking at reproduction in plants. They found out about reproduction in plants and then dissected a daffodil, labelling and describing what each part of the plant does.





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## Year 6

Year 6 have had a superb start to the summer term! They have begun to tackle one of their final maths units with confidence and resilience. During reading, we have focussed on a new text for the week and thought about the range of strategies we have learnt so far this year that are going to help us in our upcoming tests. In art, the children began their new sculpture unit. We were blown away with the clay creations they made to symbolise themselves!



In RE, we have continued to look at John's Gospel following Jesus' resurrection. We took part in some deep reading of the scripture passages to allow us to identify the key moments within it and also the symbolism that may point to a deeper point.

## Holy Family

At the beginning of the Autumn term we spent time reading about people we admire. We practised writing letters and wrote to a person we admired. One of our letters was to the Peterborough United footballer, Harley Mills. What was even more special is that parents were able to get the letter to Harley. Amazingly he replied with three signed photographs and this letter! We were delighted when we returned from the Easter holidays to see this! I am sure everyone will be super impressed too! Thank you, Harley!

