



Sacred Heart RC Primary School Newsletter

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Thirteenth-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Together we live and learn, we play
and pray.

It's been yet another busy, hard working week this week. KS1 have been preparing for their Museum opening on Friday, by making artefacts, fossil's and gifts. Alongside this, they have been writing some excellent descriptions about the displays they will be showing – Friday promises to be a very exciting day! KS2 have been working hard preparing for their production and from what I have seen they are going to be three very entertaining and funny performances. Finally, your children will have been bringing home their Christmas Card designs this week; these have been received at school today to be sent off on Monday.

Jesus, help us to put our faith and trust in you at all times. May we not be afraid but instead, believe that you will always keep us safe. Amen.

Mr Cooper
Head of School

Weekly Attendance

We have made a great start this year with our attendance. Congratulations to Year 5 for achieving an attendance figure of 99.31% this week - excellent! Our overall school attendance this week was 97.34%. Meaning our school attendance so far is – 97.48%.

School Entrance

As you will have noticed, over half term we widened our path around the school library to allow for an easier, safer entrance onto the school playground. Please remember that at all times no bicycles or scooters should be ridden once on the school premises to also ensure the safety of those around.

Reception Naming Ceremony

Thank you very much to all who attended this year's Naming Ceremony. This was a wonderful occasion where the children in Reception Class met their buddies from Year 6. This short service brought us all together, in the presence of God, to witness parents and children celebrating being part of our Catholic community. Many thanks to all who involved; especially our Chaplains, Mrs Cutter for a wonderful poem and Mr Round for reading a prayer on behalf of the parents.

FOSH

FOSH are holding their first Family Fun night on the 2nd December. This will be held at the Parkway Club. Tickets are £3 each or £10 for a family of four and tickets are on sale in the school entrance each morning. The idea is to dress in a colour from the rubiks cube. We really need to have an idea of numbers by Monday 14th November so please can you let a member of FOSH know if you intend on coming. All money raised from this event will go directly to the school, the Parkway Club are not charging us for the use of the hall or entertainment provided, so please support it if you can.

Children in Need

On Friday 18th November we are organising a Pyjama Day for the whole school for Children In Need. We would like the children to bring a donation of 50p. Children can come dressed in their favourite pyjamas but will need to wear regular school shoes throughout the day (no slippers or dressing gowns). All the money we raise will go to Children In Need and your 50ps will be changing the lives of many children.

Lottie and Kunjal
Year 6

Anti-bullying Week 2016

Throughout next week all children will be taking part in a wide range of activities about anti-bullying. This year's theme is 'Power for Good', and for a wide range of information please see... <http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>

Advent Service – St Oswalds 1st December 2016

You will be aware the children are learning all about the mysteries in the Rosary this year. Hopefully the children have been looking after their Rosary beads and ring which were given to them recently. In celebration of the Rosary the school's Advent Service will be about The Joyful Mysteries. This year the service will be at St Oswalds on Thursday 1st December at 7pm. As discussed at the meeting yesterday this is a good opportunity for families to come together and celebrate their faith. It will also be an opportunity for our children to start the season of Advent in a very spiritual way and help prepare them for Christmas. Therefore, we strongly encourage you to come along and begin your preparations with the school. We hope to have some mince pies afterwards.

KS1 Dinosaur Museum

On Thursday, our first ever 'Sacred Heart RC Museum and gift shop' opened for a sneak preview to some of our KS1 parents. The children took part in the 'Innovate' stage of their new Cornerstones topic 'Dinosaur Planet' and spent the last week in school creating hundreds of objects to display and sell, as well as some superb pieces of writing to inform. The children have had a great time and enjoyed the topic immensely. On Friday, the children will be spending the day selling the things they have made and raising money for Unicef. We asked some of the visiting parents what they thought. They were overwhelmed with the work produced. Below is a collection of their thoughts:

"I was really impressed with the children I met, who were rightly proud of what they had produced. They all told me how much they have enjoyed it. The parent's tour of the museum was a great idea, the children really owned it, and I heard plenty of parents saying how nice it was to see what the children have done. There was a real air of excitement."

"The museum is brilliant; I can't believe how much work has been done."

"What a great idea, the children (and adults) should be really proud of their achievements"



KS2 'Superstan' Performances

Just a quick reminder that KS2 will be performing 'Superstan' on Tuesday 22nd November at 6.00pm and Wednesday 23rd November at 1.30pm and 6.00pm. Having been in on several rehearsals the show is really coming together and I know that you will thoroughly enjoy the performances. You will have received information this week on how to book your tickets, so please book soon to secure your seats.

Shoe Boxes

Just to remind you that all shoe boxes must be brought into school by **Wednesday 16th November** in order to have enough time for them to be sent to their very grateful receiver. Thank you to all the families who have already brought them into school. For more information on Operation Christmas Child please visit...

<http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/occ-videos/>

Flu Immunisation Programme

A reminder that the school nursing team will be in school on Friday 18th November (pm) to administer the flu vaccine to children in years 1,2 & 3 **if you have returned your completed permission form**. If you have not returned your form we will assume you do not want your child to receive the vaccine this year. Spare forms can be collected from the office.

St Felix Seniors Group

For your information there is a seniors group that meets Tuesday afternoons 2.00pm-4.30pm in the hall. All senior citizens are welcome.

Parent and toddler group at St Oswald's

For your information there is a parent and toddler group that meet every Wednesday morning from 10.30am at St Oswald's church hall.

School Notice Boards

Please look out on our school notice boards for the latest FOSH minutes, governor minutes, weekly newsletter and general school updates.

Ofsted Parent View

Parent View gives you the chance to tell us what you think about your child's school. Parent View asks for your opinion on 12 aspects of your child's school, from the quality of teaching to behaviour. A screencast demonstrating how to register and complete a survey on Parent View is available on the website www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk By sharing your views, you'll be helping us to further improve as a school.

Autumn Term Dates - 2016	
16-11-16	9.15am – 11.45am School nurse drop in clinic (appoint required)
17-11-16	9.15am – Mass CANCELLED Fr Tom on Retreat
18-11-16	Children in Need – Pyjama day
22-11-16	KS2 Play – 1.30pm
22-11-16	KS2 Play – 6.00pm
23-11-16	KS2 Play – 6.00pm
24-11-16	9.15am – Mass CANCELLED Fr Tom on Retreat
1-12-16	9.15am – Mass (yr3/4)
1-12-16	6.00pm – Advent Service
2-12-16	6.00pm FOSH Family night
8-12-16	9.15am – Mass (yr 5/6)
9-12-16	Christmas Fayre 1.00pm – 5.00pm
13-12-16	2.00pm – Reception Nativity
14-12-16	2.00pm – KS1 Play
15-12-16	2.00pm KS1 Play
16-12-16	10.00am Pantomime at the Cresset
19-12-16	Christmas Lunch
19-12-16	KS1 Christmas Party
20-12-16	KS2 Christmas Party
21-12-16	Christmas Jumper Day
21-12-16	Last Day
4-1-17 Children return to school	