

# Sacred Heart RC Primary School Newsletter

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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

Together we live and learn, we play  
and pray.

This week has flown by with the children working hard throughout the school. Reception and KS1 had a swift journey around the world on Wednesday afternoon sampling the cultures and foods from 12 different countries. Today we were all inspired by the visit of former Olympic Swimmer Sophie Allen, who came to share her journey, representing her country at the 2012 Olympic games. Following this a number of Year 3 and 4 children were put through their paces by her with some high energy fitness and sporting activities. Finally I look forward to seeing a large number of you at next Wednesday's Farmhouse Breakfast.

**Loving God, you sent your Son Jesus to share the good news. May we continue to share that good news with others through our words and through all that we do.**

Mr Cooper  
Head of School

## Weekly Attendance

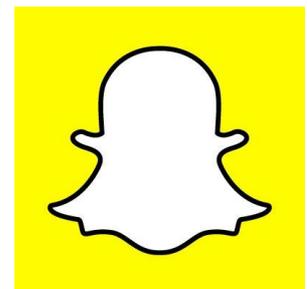
Congratulations to Year 6 for having 100% attendance this week – EXCELLENT! Our overall school attendance this week was 97.66%; meaning our school attendance so far is – 96.93%.

## Social Media

On Wednesday evening, teachers took part in a staff meeting which focused on social media, in particular, the best ways to stay safe when using platforms such as Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat, YouTube etc. What we learnt was most definitely eye opening and as result I urge you all to do the following:-

- Check privacy settings on each social media platform your child is on.
- Regularly sit with your child to look through their social media activity.
- Turn off location settings when possible.
- Be a positive role model for your child on how to use social media and the frequency of which it is used.
- Discuss how all activity can be traced back through the digital footprint.
- Get to know the technology that your child is using.
- Look to see if your child's account can be linked to your account – a number of platforms are now doing this.

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017, two workshops will be held (2.00pm-3.00pm and 6.00-7.00pm) looking further into this and I strongly encourage you to attend either of these sessions. In the meantime, if you have any questions or queries about this please feel free to see your child's class teacher.



## Farmhouse Breakfast – 25th January 2017

Just a quick reminder to all those families who have purchased tickets for our annual farmhouse breakfast. Doors open at 8.00am with breakfast being served in the school hall. I look forward to seeing lots of families there.

### **Possible New Catholic Schools in East Anglia**

The Diocese of East Anglia is intending to submit bids for up to eight new Catholic schools across the region. These bids will be submitted in March and if successful, schools could open as early as 2019. Primary schools are being proposed in Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, Thetford and Norwich. A Catholic high school is being proposed in West Cambourne, Cambridgeshire and possibly a sixth form in Norwich. More information about these proposals can be found on the Diocese's website <http://rcdea.org.uk/freeschools/> There is also the opportunity to register your interest in these new schools, which will also allow the Diocese to keep you updated on the proposals. It is important that as many people as possible register their interest on the website as this will provide strong evidence to the government of the need for Catholic schools in East Anglia, making the bids more likely to succeed.

### **School Uniform Update – School Trends**

I am pleased to confirm that our new uniform sales website is now live. You will have all received information today about the provider School Trends and how best to order your school uniform. St Thomas More (our sister Peterborough Catholic School) also use the same provider but wear blue. If you have any questions or queries about this please see Mrs Valentine. To view all school uniform items, including the new school cardigan, please use the link below.

<https://www.schooltrendsonline.com/uniform/SacredHeartVARCPriamarySchoolPE39XD>

### **School Nurse Drop in Clinic**

Our school nurse will be holding a drop in clinic on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017 between 9.15-11am. Please see Mrs Valentine in the office to book an appointment slot.

### **On behalf of Dolce – our Catering company**

Dolce currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Server/General Assistant. Full training and uniform supplied and a DBS check will be undertaken by Dolce. Hours are 11.30am – 1.00pm but may be increased. If you are interested in joining the team please call Jane on 07393 014875.

### **Policy Updates**

Please note that the following policies have been updated and approved by our school Governors this month. (All policies can be reviewed on our school website – [www.sacredheart.peterborough.sch.uk](http://www.sacredheart.peterborough.sch.uk))

- Freedom of Information
- Homework Guidance
- Privacy Notice
- Attendance

### **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](http://www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk) By sharing your views, you'll be helping us to further improve as a school.

### **Spring Term Dates - 2017**

24-1-17	Yr 3&4 visit to Flag Fen
25-1-17	Farmhouse Breakfast – 8.00am – Ticket only
26-1-17	9.15 Mass (3/4) – <b>NO MASS FR TOM AWAY</b>
30-1-17	Reception visit to Moor Farm

30-1-17	MOCK SATs Week – <b>YEAR 6 ONLY</b>
1-2-17	School Nurse Drop In Clinic 9.15 – 11am (appointments should be made at the school office)
8-2-17	National Take Over Day Challenge
9-2-17	9.15 Mass (5/6)
16-2-17	9.15 Mass (1/2)
<b>20<sup>th</sup> February – 26<sup>th</sup> February – HALF TERM</b>	
27-2-17	Parents Meetings – To take place this week
1-3-17	Ash Wednesday
9-3-17	9.15 Mass (3/4)
16-3-17	9.15 Mass (5/6)
23-3-17	Computing Workshops 2-3pm and 6-7pm
23-3-17	9.15 Mass (1/2)
24-3-17	FOSH Event – Catwalk for Kids
30-3-17	9.15 Mass (Whole School)
7-4-17	Stations of the Cross Service at St Oswalds – Provisional Date
7-4-17	Last day of term