

Together we live and learn, we play and pray.

# Sacred Heart RC Primary School Newsletter

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It has been a busy week in school with Yr6 taking part in Mock SATs week and all the other classes busily working through their theme work. I have been very impressed with how all the children have been very sensible with a few timetable changes this week and how quietly they have been moving around the school during these tests. This week, Mr McCrossan led the school in a Candlemas assembly which focused on The Presentation of Jesus in the temple as well commemorating the opening of Dorothy's Chapel.

Loving God, may we try our best to follow you and serve you more faithfully each day, in our words and in how we treat others, especially our brothers and sisters around the world.

Mr Cooper Head of School

## **Weekly Attendance**

Congratulations to Reception, Year 5 and Year 6, all having 100% attendance this week – WOW!!!! Our overall school attendance this week was a brilliant 98.73%; meaning our school attendance so far is – 96.96%.

# **500 Words Writing Celebration**

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January, Lottie, Kunjal and Alinta were invited to Jack Hunt school to receive an award for taking part in a cluster schools 500 word writing competition. The competition consisted of 8 schools and over 400 children and cumulated in a prize giving celebration led by Miles Jupp (Comedian and Author). The three girl's entries will be put into the Radio 2, 500 word writing competition. Well done to all year 6's for taking part.



# Year 3 and 4 - Flag Fen

Last week, Years 3 and 4 visited Flag Fen Archaeology Park. The children really enjoyed finding out about the history of the site and about Stone Age life. During the day, the children had an opportunity to become archaeologists to explore historical artefacts. They even got to hold one that was 6000 years old! Every child created a wonderful piece of Stone Age pottery to take home. They had a very interesting tour around the site and learnt all about the wooden platform that was discovered several years ago. We ended our day with a traditional story in the round house, with a chance to see the wishing sword! It was a wonderful day and the children have created some excellent writing based on the trip. As usual, the children's behaviour was exceptional and they were a real credit to the school.





## Reception - Moor Farm

On Monday, Reception went on our first big school trip to visit Moor Farm. We went on a sound walk to listen for different animal sounds and we heard; cows, sheep, chickens, ducks, geese, a horse and our favourite, Ben the dog.

The children had a fun, muddy morning and have been practising their animal sounds ever since!



#### 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 <a href="http://rcdea.org.uk/freeschools/">http://rcdea.org.uk/freeschools/</a> 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.

# 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.

#### **Computing Workshops**

Please note that the date for these workshops has changed to Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017. The workshops will be held from 2-3pm and 6-7pm with a focus around e-safety and safe online practice.

### **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 <a href="www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk">www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk</a> By sharing your views, you'll be helping us to further improve as a school.

Spring Term Dates - 2017		
8-2-17	National Take Over Day Challenge	
9-2-17	9.15 Mass (5/6)	
16-2-17	9.15 Mass (1/2)	
20 <sup>th</sup> February – 26 <sup>th</sup> February – HALF TERM		
28-2-17	Parents Meetings – 3.30 – 6.30	

1-3-17	Parents Meetings – 3.30 – 6.30
1-3-17	Ash Wednesday
9-3-17	9.15 Mass (3/4)
16-3-17	9.15 Mass (5/6)
21-3-17	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