



Sacred Heart Newsletter



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We have had another busy few weeks, we have all had a retreat day to mark Remembrance Day and taken part in Anti-Bullying Week- our odd socks looked fantastic and really showed how unique and different we all really are!

The Nottingham Diocese Synod

Bishop Patrick has called all children to tell him what they would like our church to be like. He says I want to hear all about what you think and what you feel about being part of God's family. As His children you are loved and cherished by Him, so it is very important that we listen to you. I'd love to know, most of all, what your dream is for God's Church. How would you like it to look? What do you like about God's Church? What would make it better? Who would you like to invite to church? Please talk about this as a family over the next couple of weeks and we will be asking the pupils for some answers to share with the Bishop.

Eco Parliament

Congratulations to the representatives that have been elected for our St Kateri Tekakwitha Eco parliament. I know that Mrs Dames and Miss Owens are really looking forward to working with you all and helping us all to look after God's Creation. The first thing they have noticed that will help our World is making sure car engines are not kept running when waiting outside of school – it is often the little things that can create the biggest differences.

Bikeability

Congratulations to all the pupils in year 3 and 4 who have completed their Bikeability courses over the past few weeks. We are very proud of you and although we had some cold fingers the skills that you learnt will last you for life!

Pupil Premium Champion

We are pleased that Miss Owens has agreed to be our Pupil Premium Champion. She will be contacting families over the next few weeks.

Follow us on Social Media

We are trying to become more active on social media platforms and sharing the wonderful work we do here at Sacred Heart. Please follow our Twitter feed – it would be great to have some more followers.

Twitter: @SacredHeartOLOL



Diary Dates

Date	Events	More information
Friday 19 th November	Youth Fun Day	Pupils will take part in fun activities with the Briars Team Virtually again this year.
Thursday 25 th November	Bring a Bottle and non-uniform day	Please support the parish tombola and bring in a bottle ready for their quiz night
Saturday 27 th November	Parish Quiz Night	Tickets are available from church, come along and exercise your brain with a fun evening of general knowledge questions.
Tuesday 30 th November	St Andrews Day	Children will be learning about the Patron Saint of Scotland.
Wednesday 1 st December 9:30 in church	Advent Mass	Parents are welcome to join us in the church at 9:30 to celebrate our Advent Mass.
Friday 3 rd December	Flu Immunisations in school	F2 through to year 6
Wednesday 8 th December and Thursday 9 th December	Foundation Stage Nativity Performance 10:30 am	Further information will be given to parents regarding these performances.
Monday 13 th December	Bring a Christmas item	Please bring into school a donation for class Christmas Raffles – Chocolate, Candy Canes or other Christmas Luxuries.
Tuesday 14 th December 14:00 and Wednesday 15 th December 18:00	KS1 Nativity Performances	Further information will be given to parents regarding these performances.
Wednesday 15 th December	Christmas Dinner Day	Please wear your Christmas jumpers today!
Thursday 16 th December 11 am	Year 5 and 6 Choir will be singing in Tesco	Come along and support the pupils as they get shoppers in the Christmas spirit!
Friday 17 th December 14:00	KS2 Carols by Candlelight in the Parish Church	Further information will be given to parents regarding this event.

COVID UPDATE

I know that it is always alarming when we send out a letter stating that we have a single COVID case in school. Please be assured that as a school we are monitoring the situation closely and if we are experiencing a number of cases in a class we will implement our outbreak management plan for that class which will involve ensuring that groups of pupils do not mix with others, if these numbers continue to rise and we have 10% of our community with the virus we will be taking advice from Public Health England and they will ask us to fully implement our plans and operate as bubbles. As a school, we do not track and trace anymore, this has been taken over by the NHS track and trace. It is however really important that if your child has any of the symptoms of COVID – high temperature, continuous cough and or a loss of taste or smell that they have a PCR test at a test centre. The Lateral Flow tests are not recommended for those under 12. It is through the vigilance of you as parents that we have had a largely undisturbed term, if you are unsure please continue to take your child for a test and keep the school informed so we can do our utmost to keep every member of our community safe. We do report positive tests to the Department of Education so that the Government and Local Authority have a clearer idea of what is happening in different settings.

Consent Forms

We need to update our consent records for all pupils in school. We would be very grateful if all pupils could return the form sent out today by FRIDAY 3rd December.

'Away From It All'

We are able to apply for a week's holiday for some families through 'Away from it all Holidays'. The only criteria is that the family has not had a holiday for 3 years. The dates for the holiday are after school on Friday 27th May - Friday 3rd June and is at Haven Caravan site, Golden Sands, Mablethorpe. If you are interested in this opportunity, please ask in the office for further information and school will help fill in the application form and explain the process to you.

Thank you!

Thank you for remembering to book on to our wrap around care provision. We are getting really busy on some nights and we need to ensure that staffing levels are correct for the ages of pupils that attend.

Note from Miss Hornsby,

We have had a wonderful few weeks in school – we always seem to be up to something. The pupils are so willing to share their learning and show me work and things that they are proud of! I am looking forward to the Season of Advent and preparing for Christmas with you all over the next few weeks.

We know that sometimes this season can get a little too much for some children. We are now able to offer a Nurture Provision at 8:35am for pupils who may need a little extra TLC in the mornings. If you let the member of staff know on the gate, they can guide the pupil into the provision so they can settle down to start their day at 9am.