

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School



*Together we live and learn; we
play and pray.*

Friday 28th April 2023

Message from Mr Claxton

This week we have been thinking about how we can share our happiness with others through our service to them. We welcomed Fr Seelan to our whole-school Mass and he also shared this message. The children, as always, were extremely reverent and respectful.

Our Year Five and Year Six Chaplains led our gospel assembly; they commanded the attention of the whole school incredibly well!

When walking around classrooms, I have seen the children fully engaged in their learning and focused on making the progress that they need to make. PE uniform has looked incredibly smart, but we have noticed a couple of ties missing from normal uniform. Please ensure that your child has these!

Last week, we were visited by Emma Harkin, the Head of Special Needs and Inclusion at Peterborough local authority. She was incredibly complimentary about our school, the children's behaviour and the inclusive nature of our approach. Thank you to Mrs Dalton for championing this!

Christ Jesus, help us to see what we can do to make a change to our world, so that it becomes a fairer place for all people to live.

Amen.

UPCOMING DATES

4th May – King's Coronation school lunch theme day
1st May – May Day Bank Holiday – school closed
5th May – FOSH Crown competition & Charity Bag collection (8.30am – 9am)
8th May – King's Coronation Bank Holiday – school closed
9th – 12th May – Y6 SATs Week
17th May – Weights & Measures team in school - Reception & Yr 6
18th May – Census Day school lunch menu
19th May – EYFS Trip to Sacrewell Farm
29th May – 2nd June – Half Term – school closed
5th June – Teacher training day – school closed
6th June – First day of term

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Reception: 92.1%

Year One: 96%

Year Two: 93.9%

Year Three: 96.7%

Year Four: 93%

Year Five: 98.7%

Year Six: 86.9%

School: 93.9%

Year to date: 93.9%

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>

Next week's gospel:

John 10: 1-10

Sats

Just a reminder, that all Year Six children will be sitting their end of key stage tests 9th-12th May. It is vital that the children are well-rested and come to school on time! Thank you for your ongoing support with this!

MASS DATES

4th May – Years Six & Two
11th May - NO Mass
18th May – Ascension Day Mass – whole school
25th May – NO Mass
1st June – Half Term – NO Mass
8th June - Years Five & One
16th June – Feast of The Sacred Heart – whole School
22nd June – Years Three & Four
29th June – Feast of St Peter and St Paul – whole school
6th July – Years Six & Two
13th July - Years Five & One
19th July – Year 6 Leavers Mass



EYFS

Reception class have been busy continuing our learning around the story Owl Babies. We thought of lots of adjectives to describe owls and learned some new vocabulary to help us with the descriptions. We have written about the story and used some of our new Tricky Words in our writing. We have been practising counting to 20 and beyond and really deepening our knowledge, working out missing numbers, ordering numbers to 20 and playing games to practise adding numbers within 20. Our class have really enjoyed playing and exploring the different resources that have been out since we came back from Easter break – it has been lovely to see the children interacting, problem solving and playing together.



Year 1

This week Year One have continued focussing on geography in our 'Many Worlds One Planet' theme. We learned what a compass is and how they are used. Then children worked in groups to use compasses accurately to complete some challenges. In English, we have been reading the story 'The Storm Whale In Winter'. The children planned their own retell of the story and they have worked hard with the first half of their writing.

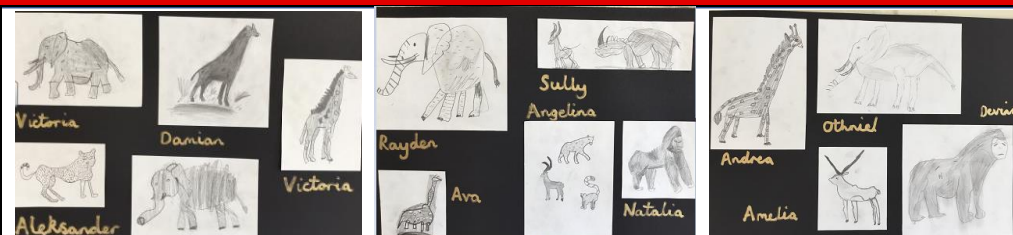
Year 2

This week Year Two have been reading 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. They used this to then write a letter to the main character. Within Science, the children continued to learn about the needs of plants and talked about bulbs. They have also started to design a chair for baby bear to a given set of design criteria.

Year 3

This week Year three have honed their sketching and shading skills in art to complete their pencil sketches of African animals. They have really enjoyed doing them and have produced some really great pictures!





Year 4

Year 4 have been learning all about persuasion and they are preparing to write letters of persuasion to MP's so that they save the rainforest. In Science they have been learning about electricity and making simple circuits.

Year 5

In Year Five we have been continuing our theme lessons with a DT focus. This week we have explored structures and in particular 'Truss bridges'. Children were given the challenge of creating a Truss bridge using spaghetti. They learned about the ways that triangles help to strengthen a structure. Despite some challenges in their building, they worked with accuracy which made some very strong bridges.



Year 6

This week in R.E. we have been learning about Peter the Apostle. We read a series of Bible quotes which helped us to form impressions of Peter as a person. We then discussed the highs and lows of his life and his relationship with Jesus before using 'hot seating' to interview Peter. This helped us to deepen our understanding of him. We also wrote a playscript based on Peter healing the lame man in front of the temple.