

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School



Friday 29th September 2023

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

Message from Mr Claxton

Mrs Robertshaw and I have really enjoyed meeting with all of the teachers this week to discuss the children's learning and their next steps. It is really important to ensure you are supporting with reading at home on a daily basis; this is so important in supporting the classroom work and will also help instil a love of reading.

Today, Mrs Robertshaw and I have taken a selection of our Chaplains to the Diocesan Schools' Mass in Norwich. We have had a thoroughly spiritually enriching day and the children were a testament to our school. We look forward to welcoming Bishop Peter to celebrate Mass on Monday 9th October, in part to celebrate our 50th anniversary as a school!

If you have a child who will be starting school in September 2024, we will be holding some tours of school this coming week; please either email the school office or speak with Mrs Torrington or Mrs Valentine to book your place.

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen

UPCOMING DATES

4th Oct – Welcome Ceremony for EYFS with Year 6
5th Oct – School Census day lunch menu
9th-13th Oct – Sponsored Reading Week – details to follow
11th Oct – EYFS Tapestry Parent Workshop - 2.50pm
20th Oct – Harvest Festival – see email
23rd-27th Oct – HALF TERM
31st Oct – FOSH Clothing collection – details to follow
1st-3rd Nov – Y6 PGL Caythorpe residential trip
2nd -3rd Nov – Y4 Grafham Water residential trip
8th Nov – Individual School Photos – details to follow
14th Nov – Flu Vaccinations – see email for e-consent link
16th Nov – Year 5 Trip to Peterborough Cathedral
20th Nov – Y3 Trip to Flag Fen
15th Dec – FOSH Christmas Favre

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Reception: 94.2%

Year One: 94.3%

Year Two: 99.3%

Year Three: 97.9%

Year Four: 95.3%

Year Five: 96.7%

Year Six: 96.1%

School: 96.3%

Year to date: 96.7%

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:
Matthew 21: 28-32**

Reading challenge!

Next week your child will be coming home with a sponsored reading challenge pack; this is a great way to get involved in finding new books to read, sharing books with your child and helping raise funds for school!

MASS DATES

5th Oct – Whole School Mass
9th Oct - Whole School Mass – Bishop Peter visiting
19th Oct - Years One & Five
1st Nov – All Saints Whole School Mass
9th Nov - Years Two & Four
16th Nov - Years Three & Six
23rd Nov - Years One & Five
30th Nov – Years Two & Four
7th Dec - Years Three & Six
14th Dec - Years One & Five

EYFS

This week the children met their Year 6 buddies and shared a story. We are really looking forward to the Welcome Ceremony next week.

The children have been learning that God has made everyone unique and has given us all different talents. They are going to share their talents in a talent show at the end of the week!

Year 2

Year 2 loved making their Ferris wheels this week in design and technology. They followed their plans to make it out of cardboard and yoghurt pots. The children have also been finding out about Queen Victoria and why she was an important Monarch in Great Britain. Within Science the children were designing a game to keep them fit.

Year 3

Year 3 finished their Stone Age houses this week.

They worked hard as a small group to make the houses. In science they investigated different types of rock and whether they were permeable (took on water) or impermeable (waterproof). In English they finished their Stone Age stories which were amazing!



Year 4

This week, Year 4 have started their rewrite of The Egyptian Cinderella, with new characters and settings! They have also been learning about Roman numerals and rounding in Maths. In our RE sessions, we have been discussing the story of Abraham and Sarah. Using role-play, the children acted out the story of Abraham and Sarah, commenting on the difficulties and blessings they received. Year 4 have continued their great progress in swimming, which is always a highlight of the week!

Year 5

This week in Science Year Five made a scale model of the solar system using toilet roll, fruit and spices! We used the ratio of one piece of toilet roll representing 16,000km. We investigated how far each planet was away from the sun and worked how many pieces of toilet roll this would be using the scale. We used fruits and spices such as grapefruit, blueberries, a watermelon and a peppercorn to represent the planets. We were able to show how far each planet was from the sun and each other as well as how they relate to each other in size.



Year 6

In Art, we learnt about Mayan spirit companions. There are twenty different signs in total and the Mayan people believed that, depending when you were born, your personality and future career could be pre-determined – a little like our current day horoscopes! We chose the spirit companion that we thought best suited us and then added shapes, patterns and lines that represented what we like and our dreams for the future.

