

# Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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



## Message from Mr Claxton

The whole school enjoyed an assembly and a range of workshops from Woodgreen on how to safely care and look after our pets. The children also enjoyed learning about what Guinness needs and how we should behave around him to keep us all safe.

I enjoyed a lovely walk with EYFS this week; thank you for inviting me!

Thank you to you all for your support with parents' meetings this week. If you did not have an appointment, please ensure that you speak with your child's class teacher to organise this.

Finally, we have enjoyed a range of activities and celebrations around books for World Book Day!

*Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you give life and care for your Church. Bless these women, as we celebrate this day in their honour. May they be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Amen*

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Reception: 95.3%

Year One: 91.7%

Year Two: 98%

Year Three: 98%

Year Four: 83.3%

Year Five: 96.3%

Year Six: 93.8%

School: 93.8%

Year to date: 96.2%

**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 3:14-21

FOSH update:

Thank you for all of the book donations for this week's book swap, we had over 200 book donations and raised £25.

## UPCOMING DATES

29<sup>th</sup> February – 14<sup>th</sup> March – Lent Walks – see email for class dates

12<sup>th</sup> March – Year 1 class trip – see email

21<sup>st</sup> March – Year 2 class trip - see email

22<sup>nd</sup> March – CAFOD Club "Alternative Rules" Day – see email

28<sup>th</sup> March – Last Day of Term

29<sup>th</sup> March – 12<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Holidays

## MASS DATES

14<sup>th</sup> March - Years Three & Six

21<sup>st</sup> March - Years One & Five

27<sup>th</sup> March – Station of The Cross Service at St Oswald's – 5.30pm



## **EYFS**

We have had a busy and exciting week in Reception class. We have continued to enjoy learning the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. In RE we have learnt that Lent is a time to care for others and we have been noticing kind things that people have been doing in our class. In Maths we have been comparing length, using the words longer and shorter. We have some new arrivals in our class – caterpillars! We are looking forward to seeing what happens as they grow. Finally, on Wednesday we went for a local walk to the post box – keep an eye on your deliveries over the next few days!



## **Year 1**

This week, the children have been busy planning their own version of the 'Gorilla' story. They have created their own animal that they will use in their story. In maths, the children have been learning about numbers to 50. We have been partitioning them into tens and ones and ordering numbers on a number line. The children have really enjoyed learning about the countries and cities of the UK.

## **Year 2**

Year two enjoyed learning about habitats in science. They learnt what a habitat was and named some different types of habitats. They then identified which animals would live in different habitats and why they would live there. Within Theme, the children continued looking at 'Our wonderful world' they found out about oceans, they discussed what an ocean was and then used an atlas to identify all the oceans in the world.

## **Year 3**

Year 3 are enjoying their Greek topic. This week they have been exploring the Greek Myths. They have been amazed by the vast amount of Greek gods and the different ways they were used in Greek Myths. They have also learnt about some of the famous Greeks including Homer, Plato, Socrates and Pythagoras.

## **Year 4**

Year 4 had a great time finishing off their mystery narratives this week. The children are invested in our new class novel and I can't wait to read more with them. In our theme lesson, we looked at the different layers of the rainforests and the types of animals that live in each layer and why they live there. We started our new maths topic of fractions this week and the children have been working hard to get their head around them.



## **Year 5**

This week we have been working hard starting our Narrative writing. We are retelling the story of Felix's abduction in *The Vanishing Trick* from Felix's point of view. In Geography, we were fascinated to learn about Antarctica and how it is the world's largest desert as well as being the coldest, driest and windiest place on Earth. For World Book Day on Friday, we created soundscapes in groups to accompany the Battle of Hastings battle scene in *Anglo-Saxon Boy*. We also acted out a scene where a TV reporter was sent to the battle scene to report live. Finally, we designed and produced advertisements for *Madame Pinchbeck* (*The Vanishing Trick*).

## **Year 6**

In English, we have been reading texts which describe the jungle. We talked about how authors choose specific words to create images and tension and started to write our own jungle setting description. Our class book, *'The Girl Who Stole an Elephant'* and Rudyard Kipling's *'The Jungle Book'* have given us a lot of inspiration and we are looking forward to drawing a jungle scene of our writing.