

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Friday 15th March 2024



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



Message from Mr Claxton

The whole school have now completed their Lent walks and we have been remembering and focusing on the purpose of these as we continue on our Lenten journey.

I was lucky enough to spend lots of time looking at maths this week and school leaders could really see how well all the children are progressing and lots of hard work from the children. Well done to you all, children. I also spent lots of time looking at phonics and Early Years, two things I love in a school, and I am so proud of how resilient our youngest learners are and how far they have come with their reading and writing skills.

Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me. Amen. Amen

UPCOMING DATES

18th March – FOSH selling Disco ticket after school

21st March – Year 2 class trip - see email

21st March – FOSH Disco's – see email sent

22nd March – CAFOD Club "Alternative Rules" Day – see email

28th March – Last Day of Term

29th March – 12th April – Easter Holidays

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Reception: 92.0%

Year One: 94.3%

Year Two: 98.6%

Year Three: 97.0%

Year Four: 94.6%

Year Five: 92.6%

Year Six: 97.7%

School: 95.3%

Year to date: 96.1%

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 12:20-33

FOSH Disco – Thursday 21st March

Rec/Yr 1/Yr 2- 5pm to 6pm

Yr 3/Yr 4/Yr 5/Yr 6 - 6.15pm to 7.15pm

For tickets email:

FOSH@sacredheart.peterborough.sch.uk

MASS DATES

21st March - Years One & Five

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



EYFS

This week in Early Years we have continued to observe all the new life that is happening around our classroom. Our beans haven't started to sprout just yet but our caterpillars have grown very big and are heading up to the top of their container to become chrysalises. We also have some frog spawn and the first few tadpoles have hatched, it's all very exciting! In RE we have been learning the events of Holy Week and the children made some beautiful salt dough crosses to remind us that Jesus died on the cross for us.

Year 1

On Tuesday, Year 1 had a great time at Ferry Meadows, despite the rain! The children really enjoyed making and drawing their own maps, going on a bug hunt and then completing an orienteering course. All of the children were polite and were great ambassadors for the school.



Year 2

Year two loved exploring habitats this week. They looked at the micro habitats on the field and investigated which invertebrates they could see. After exploring this the children discussed how the habitat helped the invertebrates to survive. Within English the children wrote letters to Pope Francis, explaining to him how we are going to help the environment. This was in response to Laudato Si.

Year 3

Year 3 have been working very hard on the Greek Myths. This week they have been retelling the story of Odysseus and the Cyclops. They also did amazingly on their Lent walk with no complaints about the distance! In maths they have been learning to calculate perimeter.

Year 4

Year 4 have started looking at writing a setting description for the Amazon rainforest. They have discovered great vocabulary and used picture prompts to start creating descriptive sentences to use in their setting descriptions. In Maths, we have looked at mixed numbers and improper fractions, and the relationship between the two. In our theme lesson, we explored the key aspects of the climate in the Amazon and created weather forecasts, that the children performed.



Year 5

Year Five have been learning more about coding in our computing lessons. We have been investigating the BBC Micro:Bit which is a tiny pocket-sized computer. We are using the Micro:Bits to help us to learn how computers work, we are learning about coding and programming as well as about inputs and outputs. This week we used coding to programme the Micro:Bit to display a simple message. In the following weeks, we will be exploring using the Micro:Bits to programme an animation, record people's feelings on a topic and to work as our own pedometers.



Year 6

We had a lot of fun on World Book Day last Friday. After sharing our current favourite book with our classmates, we chose a scene from our recent class novel, 'The Valley of Lost Secrets', and recreated it through drama. Some of us opted to be directors, rather than act, and we learnt the importance of being aware of the audience and voice projection. We also designed an alternative front cover for the book.

NEURODIVERSITY CELEBRATION WEEK

18th-22nd March is Neurodiversity Celebration Week and the children will be learning all about neurodiversity in celebration of each of our God given gifts. Our aim is that neurodivergent and neurotypical children will understand each other better. There will be an assembly and children will complete activities in their classes which will promote lots of discussion. Further information on Neurodiversity and Neurodiversity Celebration Week can be found

<https://www.neurodiversityweek.com/introduction> and free, live webinars can be booked <https://www.neurodiversityweek.com/events>

'If we want to include everyone, we have to help everyone develop their talents and use their gifts for the good of the community. That's what inclusion means – everyone contributes'.

Maya Angelou - Memoirist / Poet / Civil rights activist