



Sacred Heart RC Primary School Newsletter

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Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

Together we live and learn, we play
and pray.

I cannot believe we have reached the half way point of the year already! This half term has been filled with exciting experiences and high level challenge learning. The effort the children have applied to their work has been very, very high and the children are now really seeing the reward for this. I would like to thank all the families associated with Sacred Heart for supporting the events we have held this half term including, the farmhouse breakfast, many sporting activities and school trips. I hope that you all have an enjoyable break and come back ready to continue the hard work!

Christ Jesus, help us to be like you in all that we do. May we always care for other people, especially those who are poor or sick. Amen

Mr Cooper
Head of School

Weekly Attendance

Congratulations to Foundation for having 98.67% attendance this week. As many of you will have experienced first hand, we have had a terrible sickness bug in school this week, so our overall school attendance this week was low at 94.33%; meaning our school attendance so far is – 96.74%.

Parents Evening

On Tuesday 28th February and Wednesday 1st March we will be holding our second parents evening, you should all have received a confirmation of your appointment times this week. I look forward to seeing you all there. (A reminder that with the exception of Health & well-being, there are no after school clubs running this week).

Reception's Ladybird

On Tuesday, Reception were given a letter explaining that the farmer from 'What the ladybird heard' had lost his ladybird and asking them for their help. They decided that the best way was to ask the rest of the children to help, so they designed some lost posters to put up around the school. On Wednesday another letter arrived, saying that the ladybird was still lost and could the children make some traps to catch it. This led to the children collecting leaves and grass to tempt the ladybird into their fantastically designed traps. Thursday morning was very exciting as all the leaves and grass were gone from the traps and the ladybird was finally found near the playhouse. The children spent the morning writing some fantastic letters to the farmer to tell him the good news.



World Book Day

On World Book Day we are planning an exciting day for all the children. During the morning our new school library- 'Arthur's Library'- will be officially opened by a well-known children's author and illustrator Benji Davies. Mrs Curtis is organising an illustration competition with two winners from each class, and we are inviting the children to come dressed as their favourite **book character**- please also encourage them to bring the book that the character appears in. Further details of this event were ParentMailed to you on Thursday this week.

Live Kitchen Meal Choices

We would like to request that whenever possible you choose your child's lunches with them at home rather than leaving it for them to do at school. More and more children are choosing on the day, which makes planning for the catering staff difficult and also takes up valuable lesson time, particularly in KS1. Often children are not bothering to choose in class as well and up to a dozen children a day can arrive at the serving hatch unexpectedly, which leads to difficulties in the kitchen catering sufficiently. We appreciate there are odd occasions when a family might need a hot meal option last minute and this is ok, but if you do know your child is having a lunch and you have a few minutes we would really appreciate your support in choosing at home so that we can focus on learning as quickly as possible. It is possible to choose several weeks in advance and amendments to the choices can be made up to 9am on the day, should children change their mind.

Possible New Catholic Schools in East Anglia

The Diocese of East Anglia is intending to submit bids for up to eight new Catholic schools across the region. These bids will be submitted in March and if successful, schools could open as early as 2019. Primary schools are being proposed in Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, Thetford and Norwich. A Catholic high school is being proposed in West Cambourne, Cambridgeshire and possibly a sixth form in Norwich. More information about these proposals can be found on the Diocese's website <http://rcdea.org.uk/freeschools/> There is also the opportunity to register your interest in these new schools, which will also allow the Diocese to keep you updated on the proposals. It is important that as many people as possible register their interest on the website as this will provide strong evidence to the government of the need for Catholic schools in East Anglia, making the bids more likely to succeed.

On behalf of Dolce – our Catering company

Dolce currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Server/General Assistant. Full training and uniform supplied and a DBS check will be undertaken by Dolce. Hours are 11.30am – 1.00pm but may be increased. If you are interested in joining the team please call Jane on 07393 014875.

We would love your old toys!

As a school striving to achieve the Rights Respecting School Award, our steering group had the idea that with Christmas bringing new toys, you may now have old toys to clear out. We would appreciate donations of old unwanted toys that are still in good form and complete with all parts, which we will sell as part of our Lenten Fundraising activities, supporting CAFOD and UNICEF. **Please bring these toys to the school office as soon as you can.** We are unable to accept toys that are electrical or soft toys without a CE label. We will send further details of the sale nearer to Lent.

RRSA Steering Group

St Felix Seniors Group

For your information there is a seniors group that meets Tuesday afternoons 2.00pm-4.30pm in the hall. All senior citizens are welcome.

Parent and toddler group at St Oswald's

For your information there is a parent and toddler group that meet every Wednesday morning from 10.30am at St Oswald's church hall.

School Notice Boards

Please look out on our school notice boards for the latest FOSH minutes, governor minutes, weekly newsletter and general school updates.

Ofsted Parent View

Parent View gives you the chance to tell us what you think about your child's school. Parent View asks for your opinion on 12 aspects of your child's school, from the quality of teaching to behaviour. A screencast demonstrating how to register and complete a survey on Parent View is available on the website www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk By sharing your views, you'll be helping us to further improve as a school.

Spring Term Dates - 2017

20th February – 26th February – HALF TERM

28-2-17	Parents Meetings – 3.30 – 6.30pm
1-3-17	Parents Meetings – 3.30 – 6.30pm
1-3-17	Ash Wednesday – Mass 9.15 (Whole School)

9-3-17	9.15 Mass (3/4)
16-3-17	9.15 Mass (5/6)
21-3-17	Computing Workshops 2-3pm and 6-7pm
23-3-17	9.15 Mass (1/2)
24-3-17	FOSH Event – Catwalk for Kids
30-3-17	9.15 Mass (Whole School)
7-4-17	Stations of the Cross Service at St Oswalds – Provisional Date
7-4-17	Last day of term