

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Friday, 17th April, 2020



New Starters

Thank you all for your support with this, whether it be attending the Open Evenings, promoting school or for reassuring those parents who have been allocated our school but who hadn't originally chosen us.

I have had a number of conversations today with potential new parents, who have mentioned that your support and re-assurance really supported them yesterday – Thank you.

We look forward to formally welcoming them into our school community.

New Laptops

Even though school is closed, we are still preparing for the future. We are in the process of purchasing our next set of new laptops to compliment those we have recently purchased.

This will enable us to offer more variety to all of our pupils.

Dear Parents,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and you have been able to enjoy some family time together over the Easter Holidays.

Next week, home activities will recommence. As previously communicated, don't worry if your child's work does not appear to have saved or been sent. If you are struggling to access or facilitate the activities every day, again, don't worry about it. We fully understand that everyone's circumstances are very different and some of you are on ever changing shifts. As such, we have made some minor alterations to how we will communicate the work to you and the dates to be completed.

Staff will post on their class Facebook page twice a week – Monday and Wednesday – this relieves the pressure of you having to log on every day. We have also extended the task duration by a day, so if you miss it one day, you have the next day to access it.

Maths and English work set on a Monday will cover Monday's and Tuesday's activities. Maths and English set on Wednesday will cover Wednesday's, Thursday's and Friday's activities. Friday's writing task – children will have Friday and the weekend to complete.

Topic work set on a Monday will be for the week.

Reception's work will of course be pertinent to their stage of learning and may differ from above.

You can of course top this up if you so desire – please see the website for options – Coronavirus tab (currently there are 3 options)

Sad News:

This week 2 members of our school community have passed away.

- Bert, who had the allotment across the way from school.
- John Burke who was a former governor of school.

Our thoughts and prayers are with their families.

If you live locally, you will notice this weekend and next weekend some vans in our carpark with a CGC logo on them (cleaning company).

Do not be alarmed at this. **This is nothing to do with the Covid 19 situation.** It is something I spoke about with governors at my interview and it is something, which we had originally planned for the Summer Term and something we will continue to do bi-annually as part of our cleaning and maintenance plan.

In school we use the Ten Ten company as a source of reference for some of our acts of worship. They have made some aspects of their site free to access. The link below takes you to their 'Home Prayer' site.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/prayers-for-home/daily-prayers-for-home/>

Some alternative websites to explore have been shared on the website – Coronavirus tab. These have come from an external source and cover **Primary, Secondary and Further Education links.** I know some of you have older children so I thought it wise to share the whole document.

Thank you to:

Mrs Bakkes
Mrs Watts
Mrs Julien
Mrs Rabbani
Mrs Rawson
Mr Sawyer
Miss Worrall

Who have provided the childcare provision this week. **Enjoy your rest next week.** Next week, the staff on duty are:

Mrs Aldred, Mrs Delargy, Miss Ditchfield, Miss Fearick and Mrs Jones.

Thank you to Miss Dunthorne and Miss Wolstenholme for being on standby every day.

Thank you to Mrs Partington and Mr Barlow for keeping school clean and tidy.

Thank you to Mr Gore and Mrs Langin for providing office support.

Free School Meals National Scheme:

Mr Gore has been working tirelessly on this over the past few weeks and has been in contact with the relevant families.

As of Monday, 20th April, we are moving to the national voucher scheme. For those in receipt of Free School Meals, you should receive an email, which will contain your voucher code. If you have not received this by 11am, please email school and Mr Gore will follow this up for you.