

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Thursday, 16th July, 2020



Dear Parents,

I hope this final newsletter of this academic year finds you and your family well.

I just want to pass on my personal 'Thanks and gratitude' to you all for your unwavering support, patience and well wishes during the school closure. It has been an unusual time to say the least with an unusual feeling as the school year officially ends but your messages of support have been greatly appreciated by myself and all of the staff.

Today, we say good-bye to our Year 6 pupils. We wish them well and thank them for their efforts and endeavours during their time with us. It has been lovely hearing their stories of their time at Sacred Heart and seeing them finishing off their journey with us this week.

Father Paul, Thank you for delivering a collective worship with the Y6 pupils. The readings and messages were very apt as they prepare for the next stage of their journey.

Good luck Year 6 and we will miss you in September (Feel free, when things return to normal, to call in and let us know how you are doing).

Take Care

Have a lovely summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

Mr M^cDermott

Re-opening September:

Accompanying this newsletter is a somewhat 'chunky' letter regarding our re-opening in September. We are expecting further clarification and guidance regarding Wrap Around Care (Breakfast Club and After School Club) during the coming weeks. Please look out for further updates during the summer holiday, as you will have to pre-book your place at these clubs.

Wigan's risk assessment has arrived in school this week and we are now tasked with having this completed by mid-August. If there are any changes to guidance or any matters arising from this, we will inform you immediately.

The 'school closure period' has allowed school to audit and reflect on its practices (what we do well and need to keep and what can we do better). We are looking forward to September with excitement:

- Google Education.

In September, we will work with the children, starting with Y6 first, so that they can join their Google Classroom and begin using the different features of this platform on a weekly basis.

- Bug Club Home Reading

It is likely that reading books will not be able to go home daily. Bug Club gives you access to their Home Reading books over any device (phone, tablets and laptops). Physical books can still be used in school as part of their class, guided or individual reading sessions.

- Class Dojo

This will be used as part of our behaviour management system, including rewards. This will replace the golden tickets.

We will, of course, monitor the effectiveness of these new routines and adjust according.

Outstanding Payments Clubs and School Meals

Thank you, to all who have contacted school and cleared any arrears. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

New Reception Parents:

Over the summer holidays, we will be setting up your accounts for ParentMail and ParentPay.

ParentMail is used to send out all school communications and text messages.

ParentPay is our online payment system for clubs, snack, milk and school trips.

Please look out for activation emails in the coming weeks.

Mr Gore can answer any queries by emailing the office –

enquiries@admin.athertonsacredheart.wigan.sch.uk

Preparing your child for returning to school.

Please click on the link below to access documents prepared and shared by CAMHS and NHS Northwest.

We hope you find them useful

<https://www.athertonsacredheart.wigan.sch.uk/returning-to-school/>

Free School Meal Vouchers – Summer Holidays

For those who are eligible, these will be available from Monday. If you have been receiving these via email, then you should receive the summer vouchers via email. If you have been collecting from the school office, you will need to collect from school next week 10am – 2pm.

Any queries or concerns, please contact school.



School Reports

Thank you to all who have collected their child's report.

If you have not yet collected it, please do so next week.

We still have a number of reports which have yet to be collected.