

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Dear Parents,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well. Over the past 2 weeks, our Key Worker Group has expanded again and we are welcoming more children to this group next week. If your home circumstances change, please do let school know as soon as possible as this could affect the plans for Year 6 returning.

Next week, we will be checking our plans for Year 6 returning (Monday, 13th July), tweaking where necessary against the increased numbers in school and the returning Year 1 pupils (Father Paul, will be here on Monday to welcome Year 1 back to school – Thank You Father). We have some lovely activities planned for Year 6, so please do pray that the weather and circumstances are kind to us during the final week.

Don't forget school closes on Thursday, 16th July.

Re-opening September:

The 'first' guidance document was released yesterday. Schools are expecting more updates and changes, over the coming weeks and throughout the holidays, as schools nationally seek clarification on a number of matters. We will share details of our plan with you, once we have further information and clarification. We will do our utmost to give you as much notice as possible regarding timings and staffing. This is unlikely to be before the end of this term.

The guidance currently states that school uniform should be worn when schools return in September. Daily washing is not required and uniform does not need to be specially cleaned. Hopefully, this will allow you to plan ahead a little for September. I do not envisage this guidance changing.

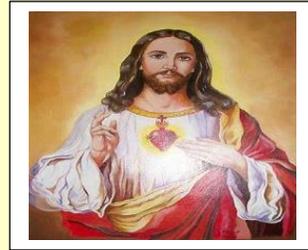
The guidance currently states that children are to return as a whole class 'Bubble'. Again, I do not envisage this guidance changing either.

I am sorry that I cannot currently provide concrete details at this time but with so much uncertainty, it is highly likely that these details will change.

Have a lovely and relaxing weekend. Take care and stay safe.

Mr M^cDermott

Friday, 3rd July, 2020



Summer Holiday Camp

During the first 2 weeks of the holidays, Premier Sports are hosting 2 x 1 week holiday camps at our school – in-line with national guidance regarding summer camps.

Our parents have this weekend to book a priority place before the camps are opened up to children from across our community. Click on the links below to book a place.

Week commencing 20th July

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/camps/courses/552-640934/?location=M46%209BN&radius=10>

Week commencing 27th July

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/camps/courses/552-640936/?location=M46%209BN&radius=10>

New Families:

I would like to welcome 2 new families to our school community – Ipek family (Rec, Y4) and the Jones family (Y1 and Y2).

We hope you enjoy your time in our school.

I am sure the children, staff and parents, will make you feel welcome in all things Sacred Heart.

Thank you for choosing our wonderful school.

Outstanding Payments Clubs and School Meals

Please ensure that all payments for clubs and meals are up to date before Thursday, 6th July. Despite last week's plea, we still have a high number of outstanding payments relating to morning, breakfast and after school clubs attended before school closure.

YEAR 6 – Please help school to clear any outstanding school meal payments ASAP. If your child leaves school with debts owing to Mellors then it is their company policy to recover these amounts even when your child has left.

To check if you have any outstanding payments, please contact the school office or check your ParentPay account. We appreciate your support in this matter.

Mr Gore

National On-Line Safety: Protecting Personal Data

At a time when many of us are using the internet much more frequently, it's hugely important we help our children to understand what they should and shouldn't be sharing online. Coronavirus scams are on the rise and fraudsters will look to access personal details in order to commit identity theft, bank fraud and damage individual's online reputation. That's why we've created this useful guide to help parents and carers understand exactly what they can do to help protect their children's personal data online.

<https://www.athertonsacredheart.wigan.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/What-Parents-Need-to-Know-About-Protecting-Personal-Data.pdf>

New Starters:

We have uploaded 2 documents to our 'New Starters' website page. Please click on the link below to access them.

<https://www.athertonsacredheart.wigan.sch.uk/new-starters-september-2020/>

Tutors:

I have noticed a high volume of adverts on Facebook recently - since the Government released information regarding this scheme.

If you are choosing to employ a tutor (entirely your choice), whether they are part of a franchise or an independent trader, please do check their credentials before entering into any kind of agreements with them.

Home Learning:

Don't forget to keep up with your daily reading and continue practising your recall of table facts on TT Rockstars.

Music: 29.06.20

Wigan Music Service have sent their next set of resources. You can access them here:

<https://www.athertonsacredheart.wigan.sch.uk/arts/>

White Rose Maths: 06.07.20

If you'd like to supplement the children's home learning, you can access this additional resource.

<https://www.athertonsacredheart.wigan.sch.uk/maths/>