

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Friday, 31st March, 2023



Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

Today, we said good-bye, good luck and God Bless to Father Paul. We wish him future happiness and health in his new parish. Thank you for all that you've done for our children and their families.

Take Care and have a restful Easter break. School re-opens on Monday 17th April. Clubs resume as normal.

Happy Easter

Mr McDermott



ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) Pathway:

On Wednesday, I had the pleasure of listening to one of our parents deliver Wigan's new ASD pathway procedures to Wigan Headteachers at the Spring HT forum. Hopefully, this new way of working will provide a more sustainable and equitable access to services, especially while families are waiting for paediatrician appointments.

Family Fun & Fitness Sessions:

All parents / carers are welcome to join their children in the Family Fun and Fitness sessions on Wednesdays (after school), starting on Wednesday 19th April. Dave Morris will be returning to run another block of 6 sessions, following from the success of the sessions in September. The cost is just £3.00 for the full 6 weeks and this will be refunded to you if you attend at least 5 of the sessions. Please see the ParentMail sent on Thursday for full details.

Chocolate Bingo: £511 raised – Thank You

Thank you to Miss Harvey and the FRIENDS group for organising and running the Chocolate Bingo event. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to attend due to financial year-end tasks and attending a DfE webinar on school funding. Apologies I wasn't there.

Future Industrial Action:

At the moment, schools do not know any more than what has been reported on the news. Hopefully, over the Easter period, positive talks will lead to a positive resolution which works for all.

'The Secret Garden' Performance:

On Friday 21st April, we have a visit from a theatre company who will be performing 'The Secret Garden' to all year groups. We look forward to watching a live and interactive performance, in the hall, for the full school.

Thank you to Mr Lancaster:

On Wednesday, Mr Lancaster from Lancaster's Farm brought in a baby lamb to meet our key stage 1 children. The children enjoyed meeting the new addition to the farm and have the privilege of naming him. The name, which was selected at random, was 'Dom'. The pictures of the visit are on Facebook.



Golden Ticket and Reading Champion Winners: Key Stage 1

Reception:

Albie – Wonderful RE work.

Marshall – Being a polite, kind and helpful member of our class.

Scarlett – Fantastic tricky word recognition.

Reading Champion – Bridget

Character Strength: Positivity: Amelie has a positive attitude towards her schoolwork.

Year 1:

Chinedum - Using basic punctuation with greater confidence in all of his writing.

Jane - Explaining how we can make numbers up to fifty by using tens and ones.

Michael - Being able to explain how we made a jam sandwich using the correct instructional language.

Reading Champion – Takshveer

Character Strength: Teamwork: Emily is always willing to help others and is a good listener in team tasks.

Year 2:

Alex - A good understanding of the story of the Resurrection of Jesus in RE.

Grace - Great work with fractions.

Zion - Much improved handwriting and presentation.

Reading Champion – Meadow

Character Strength: Communication: Daniel is making so much progress with his English skills, both orally and with his reading and writing.

Golden Ticket and Reading Champion Winners: Key Stage 2

Year 3:

Amelia - A thoughtful persuasive letter following a class debate about the closure of a junkyard.

Ella – Great work in Science and when using key vocabulary to retrieve facts.

Jessica – Wonderful problem-solving skills using mass.

Reading Champion – Annie

Character Strength: Positivity: Ted for tackling every challenge with both resilience and a joy to learn more.

Year 4:

Evie - Amazing work when subtracting fractions from whole numbers.

Thea - Using good description when describing a setting.

Reading Champion – Daisy

Character Strength: Resilience: Elizabeth is now showing more resilience when working out problems in maths. She gives things a try now, even if she is unsure of the answer.

Year 5:

Jagnoor - Striving to increase his vocabulary by seeking out the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Kitty - Fantastic discussions and responses in PSHE.

Niamh - Confidently volunteering to read on several occasions.

Reading Champion – Sophia

Character Strength: Perseverance: Wejli is working really hard in class to improve his reading levels.

Year 6:

Aiden – Solving a range of algebraic calculations in maths.

Celia – Lots of enthusiasm during handball in PE.

Harry – Great attitude and contributions to the weekly French lessons.

Joel – Writing a wonderful newspaper report about 'When the horses escaped'.

Reading Champion – Holly

Character Strength: Resilience: Annie's levels of resilience continue to develop and grow. Increasingly, she attempts work with renewed confidence and self-belief and will challenge herself to complete all tasks, no matter how difficult she initially finds them.