

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Friday, 16th June, 2023



Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

We have finally had confirmation that works on the new windows and remaining external doors will commence in the first week of the summer holidays. The project is scheduled to take 5 weeks to complete, so all should be completed before we return in September. The works are projected to cost more than £80k. This is being funded through the Archdiocese Levy Fund. If you haven't yet sent in your £10 for this year's levy contribution, then it isn't too late to do so.

As we begin to move towards the end of this academic year, it is imperative that ParentPay accounts are up to date. Presently, we have a number of accounts owing large amounts. If you are experiencing any difficulties, please contact the school office.

One of the main education foci at the moment is school attendance. Schools are encouraged to share their data with parents. We've had a large number of holiday request forms in the past 2 weeks and this will significantly affect our data moving forward. As of the 8th June, our attendance is as follows:
PA = persistently absent (<90% attendance).

R – 92.7 % with 24 % of children classed as PA
1 - 94.5 % with 10.3 % of children classed as PA
2 – 93 % with 13.3 % of children classed as PA
3 – 94 % with 20 % of children classed as PA
4 - 95.2 % with 18.8 % of children classed as PA
5 - 93.6 % with 21.4 % of children classed as PA
6 – 94 % with 13.3 % of children classed as PA

Take Care and enjoy the weekend.
Mr McDermott

Friends of Sacred Heart:

Thank you to the Friends group for the planning meeting on Monday. Lots of great ideas have been proposed for the Autumn term and more information will be sent to you in the new academic year. The next meeting is planned for Thursday 14th September at 3.45pm. As always, new members are welcome to attend.

Special Thankyou:

Following our message last week regarding toast makers, we would like to offer huge thanks to Mrs Thompson and Mrs Stoneley who have both very kindly offered their time to make the children's morning toast. This support is much appreciated.

Forest School:

Due to the heavy rain on Monday evening, a drain on the pathway into the Forest School burst and has washed away a section of the path. It has also brought up some waste from the drain which needs to be investigated. United Utilities are expected to attend school before Tuesday. In the meantime, the Forest School will be closed whilst we secure the drain and clean up the area. The work detailed in last week's newsletter is also on hold.

Reception & Year 1 Trip:

On Monday, Reception and Year 1 will go on their trip to 'Imagine That' in Liverpool. Please ensure that all children are in school on time and wear school uniform.

Sports Day: 21st June – Whole School

We have had a number of emails regarding Sports Day. The date and time was shared on the 17th May via ParentMail – Summer Term 2023 Key Dates. Other key dates can also be found in there.



Golden Ticket and Reading Champion Winners: Key Stage 1

Reception:

Daisy – Improved sound recognition when reading and writing.

Freya – A superb piece of work about 'friends' in RE.

Olly – Being polite and well-mannered in class.

Reading Champion – Albie

Character Strength: Empathy: Freddie is a very kind member of our class. He is caring and compassionate.

Year 1:

April - Sharing thoughtful responses during our lessons this week.

Charlie - Writing simple sentences when describing fruit.

Malakai – Working with numbers from 50 to 100.

Reading Champion – Leo

Character Strength: Communication: Ted has shown fantastic communication skills whilst practising for phonics this week.

Year 2:

Daniel – Sharing some great ideas for a story in English.

Harry - Asking sensible questions about toys from the past in history.

Jack - Understanding the terms 'clockwise' and 'anti-clockwise' in maths.

Reading Champion – Neve

Character Strength: Positivity: Jayda has a consistently positive attitude towards all of her learning and always tries her best.

Golden Ticket and Reading Champion Winners: Key Stage 2

Year 3:

Aiden – Super maths work this week in his number and calculation sessions.

Bobby – Excellent spelling using prefixes and suffixes.

Isla – Excellent spelling using prefixes and suffixes.

Reading Champion – Ekrem

Character Strength: Positivity: Ted always tackling every challenge with a smile and a can-do attitude.

Year 4:

Alex – Achieving full marks in his Arithmetic test.

Jesse - Amazing work when recalling his times table facts.

Reading Champion – Nancy

Character Strength: Excellence: Daisy excels in everything she does and shows a love of learning across all subjects.

Year 5:

Ansalie - Demonstrating a fantastic attitude during assessment week.

George - A brilliant poster showing how we can help in our homes, school and community.

Thomas S - Working really hard during assessment week.

Reading Champion – Jessica Co

Character Strength: Excellence: Neive works hard in all of her lessons and is a fantastic role model to others.

Year 6:

Charlie - Creating a get-well card showing a good understanding of the actions and symbols involved in the anointing of the Sick and the types of words that may bring comfort in R.E.

Freya - The care she takes with presentation in all aspects of the curriculum.

Zachary - Creating a thoughtful poem; taking reference from Scripture in R.E.

Reading Champion – Katie

Character Strength: Teamwork: To ensure that others could access the learning, Freddie simplified and clarified the learning.