

# Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2023



Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to school. I hope you had a restful summer break and managed to spend some time with your children. It's been a summer which has felt more like autumn / winter with the rain we've experienced. That said, many sporting achievements involving local individuals and teams have brought some rays of sunshine to the holiday period.

It is great to see the children returning in full uniform. Thank you for making this effort, especially in the current financial climate.

Most Fridays you will receive a school newsletter via ParentMail updating you on developments in school and share the weekly award winners (Golden Ticker, Reading Champion and Character Strength). The weekly newsletters can also be found on the school website.

Please inform school of any changes to contact details, medication or home circumstances. If your home circumstances have changed, please contact Mr Gore as you may qualify for some support via the free school meal funding programme.

Take Care

Mr M<sup>c</sup>Dermott

## Safeguarding:

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact Miss Wilde. If your safeguarding concern is not linked to school, **it is your duty to report it directly** to Wigan Council by calling: **01942 828 300 (Monday to Sunday (24 hours))**. Please inform school that you have made a referral and we will add the information to our files. From the information you share, we will then decide what our actions are. When someone makes a referral, Social Care contact school to ask are we aware of the incident and if we have any further concerns.

## Concerns regarding your child:

Any concerns need to be communicated to the class teacher. The most effective way of doing this is via the school office.

## School Communication Plan:

Accompanying this email is the school's communication plan. This outlines who you should contact, how and the timeframes for a response.

## Uniform and equipment:

**Water Bottles:** Please label these and ensure it is just **unflavoured still water** (tap water) in here. Flavoured water and juice is not permitted.

**Long hair (everyone):** Please ensure long hair is tied with a bobble.

**Earrings:** These are not a part of school uniform and should not be worn in school. Any newly pierced ears will require a plaster to be worn over the earring. Once healed, plastic hiders may be worn.

## Birthdays:

Your child may come to school in their own clothes. Usually, the child whose birthday it is donates a £1 to CAFOD via the front office. This is a long-held tradition of the school.

After reviewing our practise and after speaking with parents, we will allow children to bring into school, a packet of sweets or cakes for their class friends. Nothing too onerous or expensive. **Please ensure no-one is left out and before sending in, please contact the office for any allergies or religious requirements. All items sent into school must be nut-free.**