



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School & Nursery

Newsletter No 18

Friday 26 Jan 2018

Dear Parents,

We have had a very exciting week with children participating in a variety of sports activities. Year 5 and Year 2/3 visited Bushey Academy for a PE lesson; Year 4 are continuing with their swimming lessons; and Year 6 attended the Sports Hall Athletics competition at Queen's School where the girls' team came first and the boys' team came third. The girls go through to the next round later this term. Congratulations to both teams who showed a great sporting attitude and were great ambassadors for the school.

Next Friday is Candlemas and our work in school will focus on how Jesus is the light of the world and how we can be a light to others.

Have a good weekend.

Miss Rachel McCarthy

Assistant Head

Lost Property

Please check the over-filled lost property basket in our reception foyer as any item remaining in there will be taken to the local charity during February half term.



Nursery Open Morning Every Wednesday & Thursday 17th January to 22nd February 2018 Time: 10.00am

At Sacred Heart Primary School & Nursery, we aim to create a happy and safe learning environment for students.

If your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 and you wish to apply for a place in Nursery for September 2018, we have pleasure in inviting you to our open morning to see the school in action during an ordinary day.

The open morning is planned to give you information to help you make decisions regarding the transfer of your son or daughter to Nursery.

Time 10.00am Tour of Nursery

During the tour the school will inform you of how to apply for a place in Nursery.

To book your place telephone the school on **01923 493040** or email **admin@sacredheart682.herts.sch.uk**

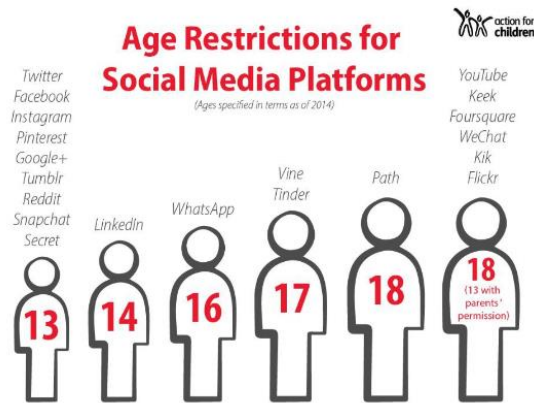
Safer Internet Day 2018

Safer Internet Day is on 6th February. The Internet is a very useful and powerful resource and we want to ensure that all our children know how to keep themselves safe when they are online. On this day, children will engage in activities to support and encourage them to use the internet safely and appropriately.

E-Safety

Attached to the newsletter you will find Herts for Learning's Online Safety News.

We are aware that some children are using **WhatsApp**, which has a 16 age restriction, and other age restricted Apps. We would like to remind you of the importance of monitoring your child's use of the internet and social media.



We would like to draw your attention to the App **Sarahah**. This is a free social media app that many teenagers are using to pass on anonymous, unmonitored comments to each other. Users can comment on friends' or strangers' profiles without them identifying who has posted the message. Sarahah is not recommended for children's use and it comes with an app store rating of 17.

Year 5 Non-Chronological Reports.

Year 5 have each invented a Hybrid animal with different features and sorted them into sub-headings. This report is a piece of shared writing. A group of children invented the name of the animal and decided on the sub headings and intriguing facts together. Well done Sebastian, Eamonn, Rory, Lucia, Alexa, Steven, Adriel, Noah and Mary-Jane.

Sobeks

Sobeks are mythological creatures from Ancient Greece. They are half dragon, half lion and have been part of Greek legend for thousands of years.

Appearance:

Traditionally, Sobeks are indistinguishable from normal lions apart from several features which are:

- Sobeks can breathe fire
- Sobeks can fly
- They have a bigger head than a lion
- Their eyes have poison in them

Habitat:

Many believe that Sobeks live near volcanoes, usually in dark caves. They enjoy living in hot, dark burrows within the caves.

Diet:

It is believed that Sobeks eat a range of food including both meat and vegetables, which means that they are omnivores. Small animals and birds are among a sobeks diet. Additionally, Sobeks are known to love snacking on tomatoes and farmers crops. Having razor sharp teeth allows them to cut and bite through meat and vegetables easily.

Interesting facts:

- Apart from anacondas, scientists believe that Sobeks would be the most dangerous creatures to roam the planet if they were real.
- According to legend, when Sobeks are about to die they vomit into lava which subsequently makes another Sobek.
- Sobeks are believed to be around since the Jurassic period.

All over the world, people have reported sightings of these fascinating, mythological creatures. They will surely continue to interest people and scientists for years to come.

Dates for your Diary

2018

Jan

Wed 31st Jan – Year 2 Class Mass in school at 2pm - Parents are most welcome

Feb

Fri 2 Feb – Y6 Height & Weight Measurements

Fri 9 Feb – YR Hearing & Vision

Mon 12 Feb – Fri 16th Feb HALF TERM

Mon 19th Feb to Fri 23rd Feb – Feeling Good Week

Fri 23rd Feb – Deadline for applying for Nursery

Fri 23rd Feb – Mufti Day

Wed 28th Feb – Year 2/3 Class Mass in school at 2pm - Parents are most welcome

March

Fri 2nd March – School is celebrating World Book Day – no dressing up. This year is a no dressing up year as we dress up every other year. The pupils will be undertaking special activities in class.

Wed 7th March – Yr 5, Yr 5/6 & Yr 6 Parents' Evening – 1:30pm – 7:30pm

Fri 9th March – Mother's Day Mass in church – 10am - Parents are most welcome

Mon 12th March – Fri 16th March – Manor Adventure Yr 6

Tues 13th March – RE Retreat Day in school – Yr 5

Wed 14th March – Fri 16th March – Phasels Wood Y5

Wed 21st March & Thurs 22nd March – Reconciliation for Junior pupils

Wed 21st March – Yr R up to Yr 4 Parents' Evening – 5pm – 7:30pm

Thurs 22nd March – Yr R up to Yr 4 Parents' Evening – 3:30pm – 6pm

Fri 23rd March – Junior Lent Service in Church – Parents are most welcome

Thurs 29th March – End of Term – School closes at 1:15pm

April

Mon 16th April – Term starts

Fri 20th April – Start of Term Mass in Church at 9:15pm - Parents are most welcome

Wed 25th April – Year 3/4 Class Mass in school - Parents are most welcome

May

Mon 7th May – Bank Holiday

Wed 9th May – Year 5/6 Class Mass in school - Parents are most welcome

Mon 14th May – Thurs 17th May – Year 6 Sats Week

Wed 25th May – Year 6 Class Mass in school - Parents are most welcome

Mon 28th May – 1st Jun – HALF TERM

June

Wed 13th June – Year 5 Class Mass – Parents are most welcome

Thurs 21st Sports Day – Infants 9:30 & Juniors 1:30pm – Parents are most welcome

July

Tues 10th July - Infant End of Year Assembly – 9:30am - Parents are most welcome & young children

Wed 11th July – Infant End of Year Assembly – 9:30 am - Parents are most welcome – no younger children

Tues 10th July - Junior Play – 7pm – Parents are most welcome – change of date

Wed 11th July – Junior Play – 7pm – Parents are most welcome – change of date

Wed 18th July – Leavers Mass in school at 7pm – Year 6 parents are most welcome

Fri 20th July – End of Term – School closes at 1:15pm