



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School & Nursery

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Dear parents

This week we have put time aside to stop and think about 'how we are being the best we can be.' The children have been asked to reflect on important questions such as 'Are they proud to be Catholic?' and 'What does it mean to be Catholic?' We have been looking at how we can fully live the Mission Statement and classes have been involved in circle time, role play, drama and art as ways to explore different dilemmas and demonstrate how they would manage these different everyday situations and express themselves. As humans we are all usually good at articulating things well but it is more difficult to put these words into practice. The children have been thinking about the choices that they make and the consequences of these on both themselves and others. It has been a pleasure to see the pupils taking a real interest in how we behave as a family of God. In this fast paced world that we live in, we find that time to talk, as well as time to listen gets swallowed up! So, we have been agreeing ways that we can make the time to value these important life skills. We all take time for granted and so this awareness of counting every moment has been very refreshing.

The children have been discussing their purpose and celebrating what they feel they already do well, as well as describing what support they need to develop further.

Wishing you all a very happy weekend and hope you all get the opportunity to make some quality time with family and friends.

*Mrs Rebecca Tregear
Headteacher*

Absences

All absences must be reported by **9.30am** on the absence line 01923 493 040.

Pedestrian Gate

This entrance should be used by children and parents and those who are late into school as well as those who are going out for appointments.

Parking around the school

Unfortunately, it has been brought to our attention again that parents are not being courteous to our fellow neighbours. It has been reported that parents are now leaving their engines running whilst dropping their children off to school. Not only is this extremely dangerous but also bad for the environment. We previously mentioned that we would consider naming and shaming. Therefore if this continues, we have no alternative but to do so.

My First Day Photos – Reception Children

Watford Observer will be coming into school on Thursday 12 October to take photos of the Reception children to appear in the 'New Starters' supplement in the Watford Observer on Friday 20 October. If you do not wish your child to take part in the photo, please send an email to admin@sacredheart682.herts.sch.uk. We will be selling copies of the Watford Observer for £1 in the main reception area on 20 October. If you wish to buy one please ensure you have the correct change.

Moses

A big thank you to Mr Marseglia who visited us yesterday, dressed as Moses and inspired our children in their RE lessons. They had lots of fun.

Reminders re: emails sent out this week

Food Choices – Deadline Friday 6 October
School Video – Deadline Monday 9 October
Nasal Flu Vaccination – Deadline extended to 20 October

Dates for your Diary

Oct

Fri 6 Oct Y6 St Michaels Football & Netball tournament
Mon 9 Oct FOSH Meeting, 3.30pm School Hall
Thurs 12 Oct Watford Observer 'My First Day' photos – Year R
Fri 13 Oct Harvest Liturgy R-6, 10.15am, in church
w/c 16 Oct Science & DT Week
Tues 17 Oct Y4 One World Festival, St Michaels
Wed 18 Oct Parents Evening 5pm-7.30pm
Thurs 19 Oct Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm
Fri 20 Oct Deanery Day INSET DAY
Mon 23 Oct- Fri 27 Oct HALF TERM

Nov

Sat 4 Nov Fireworks night
Sat 25 Nov Christmas Bazaar, 11am-2pm

Competitions & Achievements

Well done to the Year 1 children who went to a Multi Skills Festival at Bushey Manor. They demonstrated fantastic PE skills and excellent behaviour. A big thank you to our wonderful parents who volunteered to walk them there.

Good luck to our Year 6's who will be taking part in a Junior Sports Day at St Michaels' Catholic High School today.

A special mention goes to Sadie McKenna in Year 5 who was competing in the Gymnastics In age Hertfordshire Level 4 voluntary competition. After a solid competition she won the overall title and won a special plaque for highest vault score throughout the whole of level 4. She came 1st on vault, 1st on beam and 3rd on bars. Very well done Sadie. We are all extremely proud of you.

Harvest Liturgy – Friday 13 October

The children will need to bring in one of the following items for the Harvest Liturgy on Friday 13 October. These items will then be donated to the Bushey Food Bank which is based at St James Church.

- Tinned Fruit & Vegetables
- Cereals
- Sugar
- Tea and Coffee
- Nappies
- Pasta, rice
- Pasta sauces
- Toiletries
- Shower Gel