

# NEWSLETTER

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

15<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year. Thank you for all the messages of thanks that you have given to staff over the last couple of weeks. It has been really appreciated. I would also like to thank you for supporting your children to access their learning. It has been wonderful to see the children online and we have been so impressed with their work.

May God bless you and take care.

Mrs Smith



## Remote Learning

You can access the children's remote learning through Google Classroom. Parents have been emailed advice on how to log on and useful tips. If you need any further support with this, please contact the school office. The children are receiving three live sessions a day and all of their work is on Google Classroom. They have worked incredibly hard and have taken to using Google Classroom very well. Thank you parents for supporting your children with their learning and thank you to the teachers who are ensuring that both the children in school and at home are being taught.

## Donated Laptops

I would like to say a huge thank you to our local neighbours who have donated laptops to the school. We have been able to give these to children who were not able to access the remote lessons. This has made such a difference to their learning. Thank you.



## Attendance

Currently the whole school attendance from the start of the school year is 97.06%. We are taking the register during the first morning live meeting and 98% of the school have been accessing daily learning this week. This is amazing and once again I would to thank the parents and staff for supporting the children to access their work.

## Children's Newsletter



School Newsletter

If you would like your child's work to go into the children's newsletter or onto the school's Twitter account, please email their work to: [news@sacredheart682.herts.sch.uk](mailto:news@sacredheart682.herts.sch.uk). This is a lovely way for pupils to share their work. From Monday, any pictures and work that are sent through to this email account will be put in the Children's newsletter and/or onto the school's Twitter account. Please only send to the news email if you are happy for these to be used for those two purposes.

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## Reception 2021 School Admissions



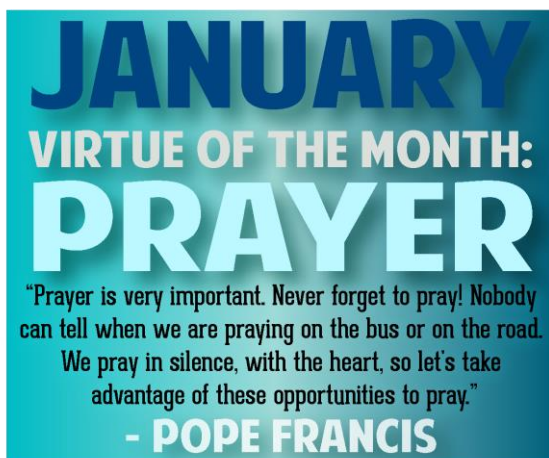
### Wellbeing

Lockdown is a challenging time for everyone. Below are some links to sites which have advice and tips for families during lockdown.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrmhscw>

<https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help-for-parents/supporting-your-child-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/coronavirus-advice-support-children-families-parents/>



### DEADLINE – FRIDAY 15 JANUARY 2021

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 and you would like to apply for a place in Reception at Sacred Heart School for September 2021, please apply to your Local Authority and complete our school's Supplementary Information Form (SIF). Please submit the school's SIF directly to our school office, along with any supporting documents.

On our website, you will find a copy of our school brochure (which will give you an insight to our school and Reception classes), our Supplementary Information Form (SIF), and our Admissions Policy for 2021-2022

<https://sacredheart682.herts.sch.uk>.

The Certificate of Catholic Practice is signed by priests for all practising Catholics defined by Canon Law, which includes weekly attendance at Mass, and on Holy Days of Obligation; this form is available from your parish Priest.

If you would like a paper copy of any of the documents, please telephone the school office on 01923 901179 or email [admin@sacredheart682.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sacredheart682.herts.sch.uk)

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If your child tests positive for coronavirus, please notify us as soon as possible so we can complete the relevant tracking and tracing process with Public Health and notify any other children or staff who have been in close contact and need to self-isolate.

Remember as soon as your child or any member of your household develops symptoms, they must start self-isolating immediately and book a test.

Main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste differently

If you're not sure whether symptoms suggest that they have coronavirus or an everyday cough or cold, you can consult the online NHS symptom checker:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symp>

## Dates for Spring Term 2021

Date	Event
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Start of Term
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Beginning of Term Mass for Years 1 – 6. Year 5 pupils will lead the Mass.
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2021	Year 6 Year Group Mass
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	Feeling Good Week
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	Internet Safety Day
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	Key Stage One (Years 1 and 2 pupils) Assembly – more information to follow.
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	Half Term
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021	Children return to school.
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	Non-Uniform day. To celebrate St David's Day the children may wear red, white and green clothes. We ask for a £1 donation towards the school funds via the School Gateway.
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	World Book Day – the children may come to school dressed up as a character from a book or linked to an object from a book.

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Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Parents Evening - more information to follow.
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Parents Evening - more information to follow.
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Parents Evening - more information to follow.
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	All classes from Nursery up to Year 6 - Mothers' Day class assemblies – more information to follow.
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Non-Uniform day. To celebrate St Patrick's Day the children may wear green, white and orange clothes. We ask for a £1 donation towards the school funds via the School Gateway.
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Years 5, 5/6 and 6 Mothers' Day class assemblies – more information to follow.
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2021	Phase 3/4 play – more information to follow.
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Phase 3/4 play - more information to follow.
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Junior Lent Service – more information to follow.
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	End of term and Whole School Easter Bonnet Parade, school finishes at 1:15pm.

## Summer Term 2021

Date	Event
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	Children return to school
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	Beginning of Term Mass - Year 4 pupils will lead the Mass – more information to follow,
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2021	Non-Uniform day. To celebrate St George's Day the children may wear red and white clothes. We ask for a £1 donation towards the school funds.
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021	May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Year 6 Sats
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Ascension Mass in Church at 2pm for Years 1 – 6 - Year 3 pupils will lead the Mass – more information to follow.
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Phase 1/2 Mass – more information to follow.
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	EYFS Assembly – more information to follow.

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Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Year 5 Year Group Mass – more information to follow.
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Half Term
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Inset Day
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June – 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	One World Week – Working together for a just, peaceful & sustainable world.
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Sacred Heart Feast Day Mass at 11am for Years 1 – 6. Year 1 and 2 will lead. If possible, this will be followed by a whole school picnic at 12pm on the school field. More information to follow.
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Phase 3/4 Mass – more information to follow.
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Infant Sports Day at 9:15am Junior Sports Day at 1:30pm More information to follow. Children wear their PE kit with a coloured t-shirt to match their house. Matthew - Yellow, Mark - Red, Luke - Green and John - Blue
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	St Peter and Paul Mass - Year 6 pupils will lead the Mass – more information to follow.
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Year 5/6 Production – more information to follow.
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Year 5/6 Production – more information to follow.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Year 6 Leavers Mass – more information to follow.
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	End of Term, school finishes at 12 pm for Years R up to Year 5. School ends at 1:30pm for Year 6 pupils.

Any dates that are added or amended are highlighted in yellow.