



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

February 2018 Newsletter

"Love one another as I have loved you"

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Dates for your diary:

March

Thursday 1st - World Book Day - Read and Rave event

Thursday 8th - Friends of Sacred Heart Meeting 3.15pm

Thursday 22nd - end of term Mass in Church 9.30am

Tuesday 27th March - Easter Activity Day

Thursday 29th March - End of Term - non uniform day

April

Monday 16th April - School re-opens for Summer term

Have you got any questions, concerns or queries? Please don't hesitate to come in and see us.

Staffing

There have recently been some changes to staffing in our school so this is just to let you know what is happening!

Last Friday, Mrs Kaighan was appointed as Deputy Headteacher of Holy Family Catholic School. Whilst we are very sad to be losing such an excellent teacher, we know that she will be a brilliant deputy head and we wish her every success and happiness in her new job. This is from September 2018 so she will continue as Year 5 teacher until the end of the school year.

In Year 2, Mrs Thompson has now resigned from her post due to her continued ill-health. Mrs Crabbe will continue teaching the class until the end of the school year.

In Year 1, Mrs Slater is currently on long term sick and so Mrs Marsland has taken over the class and will stay as class teacher until the end of the school year.

New teachers will be appointed for Year 5 and 2 sometime in the Summer term.

Fundraising

As is usual during Lent, the children are beginning to organise various fundraising activities. Again this year we are trying to raise money mainly for Mary's Meals which is charity supported by our Parish.

Mary's Meals is a global movement which sets up school feeding programmes in communities where poverty and hunger prevent children from gaining an education. Mary's Meals provides daily meals in school for more than one million children in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean and Eastern Europe. A daily meal in school has a positive impact on enrolment, attendance and performance in class, and could even hold the key to eradicating child hunger altogether. The global average cost of feeding a child for a whole school year with Mary's Meals is just £13.90. Each class will be holding their own fundraising activity and we will end the term with an Easter day where the children take part in different activities such as Easter Bonnet competition and cake sale and the proceeds of everything will go towards Mary's Meals.

In addition we are also holding our usual Easter Egg raffle so any donations towards this will be gratefully received and raffle tickets will be on sale from Monday—20p per ticket.

Thank you, as always for your continued and very generous support

School Meals

Unfortunately the price of a school meal will increase by 10p to £2.30 from 16th April 2018. Meals for the infants remain free of charge.

IPads for Sacred Heart School

Mrs Marshall has set up a fundraising page to help us raise money for our school to help replace our outdated IPads

<https://spsr.me/7jpf>

We are looking to purchase 5 new iPad's to replace our old iPad 2s which are becoming obsolete in February 2018. They are an invaluable way to help our children communicate and motivate them to learn and engage.

As part of our drive to ensure our pupils get access to a creative and relevant curriculum, we have embedded the use of iPads in the classroom to improve workflow and make their learning relevant and accessible to all. We have had our current iPads for many years and they are showing signs of wear and tear. The iPad 2 operating system is becoming obsolete in February 2018 which means that most apps will be unusable and there will be no further updates for these products. Purchasing a new set of iPads would mean we can continue with the work we have started and give our children the best start in their education.

The iPads will be used as a whole class teaching tool across the curriculum, especially in ICT lessons. The new set would be future-ready so that students can use the latest apps and learn the newest functions.

HELP US REACH OUR TARGET!

Please do donate if you can, but if you can't donate right now you can help us in other ways!

Share this project with anyone you think would support us.

Share the link at the top of the page on Twitter, Facebook, email, your website, blog, mention us in a phone call or even just a chat over the fence!

Spread the word in your local area

Friends of Sacred Heart School

We would like to re-establish 'The Friends of Sacred Heart' group which used to run to help organize activities and raise funds for school.

There will be a meeting in the School hall on Thursday 8th March in the school hall at 3.15pm to talk about how we can get this up and running again. We would hope that as many people as possible will come and anyone is welcome - mam's, dad's, nanna's, grandad's, aunties, uncle's and friends!!

As there is less and less money available to schools for resources, we need help from families and friends to raise funds to replace outdated equipment, provide curriculum enhancements such as theatre productions and to help organize fun activities such as discos for our children. You don't need any special skills—just enthusiasm and a willingness to help!! Please do try and come if you can.

Mini - Bus

It is hoped that after Easter we will have our own 16 seater mini bus which is very exciting!

This will be used for picking up children who live a distance from school, taking children to sporting events and curriculum trips.