

Part of The Romero Catholic Academy

Issue 10: Friday 2021



Dear parents, children, staff and parishioners,

### During the month of November, we focus on remembering those who are no longer with us and who gave their today for our tomorrow ~ we will remember

Thank you to the children in Year 5 (Miss Paterson's class) for their wonderful assembly this morning on "Antibullying Week." It was great to hear all your positive messages about looking for signs of bullying. It was lovely to see all the children wearing odd socks today to show their support for anti-bullying week. Congratulations to the children that received an award also.



Following the fundraising last week, we have now combined the sales of all the children buying wristbands and Pudsey ears headbands and we are pleased to share that we have raised a total of  $\pm 600$ . Thank you for supporting this wonderful charity and I am sure the children will really enjoy watching this evening's live show on BBC1.

### Workers of the Week

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Maksymillian S	Carson B-Y Damilola S	Agnes S Oliver L Harriet K	Rory M Ben R	Maksymillian S Aoife C Anjola L	Adam N Ava-Mae P	Jakub G Thomas N	Sandra M Carrick G Clara T
PE Days - New days for Autumn 2							
N/A	Thursday	Monday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Tuesday Thursday	Friday
Attendance: 93.2% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
79.2%	87.3%	92.9%	96.7% 😊	94.4%	95.0%	92.9%	96.2% 😊
House Point Winner		Leonardo - 115 points 😊 (Overall winning house - Michelangelo House – 703 points)					
Class Attendance Winner		Year 6N - Mrs Aldrich/Mrs Davies					



#### **Advent Charities**

You may remember that last Advent, we held a day of service across the school, where our wonderful children made a huge impact on many groups of people in and around our local community. After the success of this and the lovely feedback that we received, this year, we are looking to repeat this and are hoping to make a difference and bring joy to various parts of our community, where it is needed most. If you know of any individuals or groups from our parish community, who may be particularly vulnerable or who have been working tirelessly to support others and deserve our thanks, please nominate them with a short reason and send your nomination to e.cakebread@romeromac.com

#### Recruitment

We are looking for two classroom teachers for January - one full time and one part time - help spread the word! https://romeromac.com/vacancy/class-teacher-sacred-heart/

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### PTA Relaunch



On Wednesday, Mrs Stevenson and Mrs Severs had a brilliant meeting with parents who are interested in reigniting Sacred Heart's PTA. There are lots of ideas for fundraising and for building up our whole school community following the limitations of Covid. Watch this space for details of events and we will also post on Facebook. If you weren't available for the meeting, it's not too late and we will be out on the playground after school on Wednesday next week for you to talk ask any questions, join the group or just offer your contact details to support some of our events. We can't wait to build up

our community of families at Sacred Heart!



### Nativity Plays

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, will be sharing their Nativity performances in December (fingers crossed). This year, we will require you to notify us which performances you will be attending, and we will then issue you with tickets. There will be no charge, but this is to help us ensure we do not have too many families for one performance to keep everyone as safe as possible.

We will be selling programmes and raffle tickets (£1 each). We have also received further quidance from Public Health this week to ensure safety at all times.



### **Blessing of the Crib**

Father Tom has written to invite all our Catholic Schools to gather with our Deanery Parishes for our annual 'Blessing of the Crib' service in the city centre on the first Sunday of Advent – Sunday 28th November at 4pm. As usual, there will be a short service of readings, prayers and carols to bless the Crib which stands as witness to our faith in the city centre. We hope you will be able to join us in Broadgate.

#### Arrangements for Confirmation with Bishop Kenney

We are very excited to celebrate our forthcoming Confirmation with our Year 6 children on Saturday 4th December.

This Year, we have been asked to reduce the numbers of children at any one Mass, therefore, as previously communicated, there will be two Sacramental Masses: Mrs O'Malley's Class at 10:30am and Mrs Aldrich's Class at 1:30pm.

The children have worked so hard under the careful guidance and partnership of parents and staff in preparing for this special step in their Journey of Faith. The Journey of Faith folders are looking absolutely beautiful and are a wonderful keepsake of your child's journey so far!

Confirmation is a family celebration, and we understand that some family members may not be familiar with being in a church. Last year, the service was wonderful, despite having COVID restrictions in place – here are a few reminders:

- Please park in the school we will be opening up the playground
- Please can all members of the congregation turn off mobile phones, refrain from chewing gum in the Church or leaving for a cigarette break!
- Confirmandi and Sponsor to go directly to the Church hall to collect the Confirmation card, then both take their designated seat in Church
- Please refrain from talking during the service
- Please stay in Church until the <u>end</u> of the last hymn
- There must be no flash photography or videoing during the Mass Church is a Holy place, and it is not

appropriate, as it is a solemn and reverent occasion – there will be a professional photographer to do individual and family photographs if required

All staff will be wearing ID badges so they are clearly identified, and we will be available to guide or give support where needed on the day. Please note, the Church Hall will be locked during the service. We need a CHOIR! Please join us at 10am in the choir area in non-uniform. Thank you for your support.

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### Looking at Learning - What a turn out!

After Looking at Learning last week, we asked those in attendance to complete a short questionnaire and we are pleased to share the following results:

- I found the Looking at Learning session enjoyable today ~ 4.68
- Today's Looking at Learning session was a good way for me to be involved with my child's learning ~ 4.56
- I feel that my child is making good progress with their learning  $\sim 4.55$
- There are a good range of subjects at Sacred Heart ~ 4.71

All scores are out of 5

This week, **Reception carried out their first Looking at Learning session** and it was a big hit with both the parents and children. The parents enjoyed looking at their children's books and spent some time exploring a range of activities in our outdoor provision. Our children were extremely proud and loved showing the grown ups how to use our resources and could explain how they help us to learn. Thank you to all of the parents who attended, we hope to hold regular open mornings throughout the year as we know how beneficial this was and really enjoyed the opportunity to share our practice with you.



#### Spelling Shed and Timestables Rockstars

Spelling Shed		Times Tables I	<u>Rockstars</u>
The King Bees and	<b>d Queen Bees</b> for this week are:	Our top <b>Rocksta</b>	rs are:
Class 1C	Maja W		
Class 1D	Leo B		
Class 2E	Klaudia L	Class 2E	Nael K
Class 2F	Ben R	Class 2F	Lulu E
Class 3G	Harry G	Class 3G	Lilly M
Class 3H	Roxanna A	Class 3H	Olivia R
Class 4I	Elvin K & Noh Kidane	Class 4I	Abigail L
Class 4J	Jeremiah D	Class 4J	Joanna M
Class 5K	Nadia Z	Class 5K	Lama M
Class 5L	Noel M	Class 5L	Noel M
Class 6M	Jayla B	Class 6M	Valentine I
Class 6N	Ariel G	Class 6N	Daria C
Well done to our	winners for this week! If you want to be	e in with a chance o	f winning a prize next week, make sure



you log on to your Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rockstars account and get practising those spellings and tables.

#### School Photographs

On Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November, the children will be having their individual and sibling photographs (all year groups). Please can the children come to school wearing full winter uniform. Year 1 have PE so they are to come into school in uniform and bring PE kits with them. Year 3 have "bikeability" so they are to come into school in uniform, but bring their bike helmets with them.

Advent & Christmas Key Dates

Please put these dates in your diary – there are a number of events that are open to parents and carers as we get ready during Advent.

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
29 <sup>th</sup> November – 3 <sup>rd</sup> December <mark>1<sup>st</sup> Week</mark> of Advent	9:30am Blessing of the Nativitree and Advent Wreaths Advent Rolling Worship (each class) Year 3 Reconciliation Retreat Day Year 3 First Reconciliation Service 6:00pm Sacred Heart Church				Years N/R/1/2/3/4/5/6 Advent Class prayer times (9:00am) for parents to join us in Prayer Year 6 Retreat Day Year 6 Reconciliation Service 2:00pm Sacred Heart Church Parents welcome
6 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2 <sup>nd</sup> Week of Advent	1:30pm Nursery/Reception Nativity "We're going on a Baby hunt"	9:30am Nursery/Reception Nativity "We're going on a Baby hunt" 5:30pm Year 1/2 Nativity "The Inn-spector's"	9:30am Year 1/2 Nativity "The Inn-spector's" 3:00pm Festive Film Night Christmas Shopping time for parents	10am Year 5 Reconciliation Service	Years R/1/23/4/5 to Belgrade Theatre to see Beauty and the Beast Pantomime Christmas Jumper Day Children can bring in £1 for Save the Children Charity Christmas Jumpers to be worn over uniform
13 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> December <mark>3<sup>rd</sup> Week</mark> of Advent	9:00am Years 5/6 Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers) 9:00am Reception Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers) 9:30am Nursery Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers) 3:00pm Nursery PM Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers)	9:00am Year 3/4 Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers) Father Christmas visiting Nursery / Reception / Year 1 / Year 2 (for children only) Christmas Dinner — all children can wear a festive hat/hair bands etc.	9am Year 1/2 Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers) 6.30pm Carol Service TBC for all children in Year 3/4/5/6 to attend and lead. Sacred Heart Church	Year 4 Reconciliation Service Sacred Heart Church	3.15pm finish for Christmas Holidays (school closes)

### Week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity		
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Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November All Day 3:30pm Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 3:30pm		Guitar Lessons Individual and sibling photographs (all year groups) – full winter uniform (Year 1 to come in uniform and bring PE kits with them. Year 3 to come in uniform, but bring their bike helmets with them) Netball Match – Sacred Heart v Saint Thomas More (away)	I hope you all have a wonderful weekend. Ministry	
		Guitar, Piano and Violin Lessons Football Match – Sacred Heart v St Anne's (away)	Mr P Madia	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 4:30pm [		Dance Troupe (Albany Theatre)	Executive Principal	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00am	Year 6 to Mass	Executive Trateiput	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	All Day 9:00am 9:00am Morning	Advent Art Day – children to come dressed in Christmas jumpers (non-uniform). Mrs Aldrich's Class Assembly Year 6 (Advent) - Parents in Mrs Aldrich's class welcome WOW Assembly – parent invitations only - link on TEAMS Drumming Lessons		
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	10:30am 4:00pm	First Sunday of Advent - Mass at Sacred Heart Blessing of the Crib (in Broadgate)		

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Sacred Heart Church Hall Harefield Road, Coventry.

Free refreshments Free entry with door prize for the lucky winner

Money off discounts and multi buy savings.

Lots of Christmas goodies to purchase with prices starting at just £1

Payments can be made by cash or debit/credit card.

Hand sanitizer available to use on entry and we encourage all those that can to wear face masks please.

All proceeds to Sacred Heart Church

We look forward to seeing you.

\*\* This weekend \*\*

<u>Please support Father</u> <u>Tony and the Parish</u>

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Sacred Heart School presents...

# **Break The Rules Day**

### Wednesday 1st December 2021

There have been so many rules and regulations to follow in recent times and everyone has done so well with the changes, we think you deserve a day to break a few rules. You can break as many of the following rules as you like. Please bring 50p for every rule that you break in a named sealed envelope which will be collected on the school gate.

1.Wear full school uniform. No fancy dress or own clothes

2.Have neat & tidy hair, no crazy spikes or headbands

3.Do not wear multicoloured socks or tights

4.Do not wear trainers, or other shoes / boots that aren't part of the school uniform

5. Do not paint your nails



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# Sacred Heart School **Christmas Doorstep Surprise**

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After the huge success of last year our wonderful staff are looking forward to spreading lots of Christmas joy again this Advent. During the final week of term, there is a team of Christmas Elves ready to give your children a doorstep surprise between 3:30pm - 6:00pm. Please note that we have limited availability therefore book early by calling the office on 024 7645 3314, giving the details below. Each visit will cost £2.50 and you can choose to add on some Christmassy treats. All money to be sent into school in a named envelope by

### Friday 3rd December.

- 1. Your Name
- 2. Address
- 3. Childs name(s) (for visiting elf)
- 4. Chosen date Thursday 9th or Friday 10th December
- 5. Number of hot chocolate cones (£1 each) if required
- 6. Number of sweet cones (£1.50 each) if required
- 7. Number of reindeer dust (£1.50 each) if required



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# Sacred Heart School Christmas Trail

We will be holding our popular Christmas trail around the local area again this advent. Christmas themed letters will be displayed in house windows and these will be marked on a map. The trail will run from Friday 10th December - Wednesday 15th December so that you can complete it at your own pace. Once you have collected all the letters and identified the phrase please email e.cakebread@romeromac.com and you will be entered into a prize draw. We will announce the lucky winner on Friday 17th December and the chocolate hamper will be given out during step into Christmas on the last day. Please give your £1 to your class teacher who will then give you a map and instructions.



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