



# Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents, children, staff and parishioners,



Love was in the air this morning during Mrs Baker and Mrs Cowley's Class lovely assembly on **St Valentine**. Thank you so much to the children and staff for all their hard work. Thank you to all the parents that were able to join us. Congratulations to the children that received an award or certificate.

## Worker of the Week

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Danilli L Helena Z Izodosa A	Kendall T Mariana ODS	Emmanuella B Dariush A-A	Jason A Amie D	Leo M Paul A	Elizabeth O Nicholas L	Maisie R Kamsi O
PE Days – New days Spring 1							
N/A	Wednesday	Thursday	Thursday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday
Attendance: 94.7% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
94.6%	97.1%	96%	91.3%	99.2% 😊	97.1%	97.1%	97.9%
House Point Winner		Rafael House – 170 points 😊 Winning House overall – 2369 points 😊					
Class Attendance Winner		3H Mrs O'Connor, Miss Gibson & 6M Mrs O'Malley 😊					

## Valentine's Day Non-Uniform

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February we will be celebrating the feast of St Valentine. Therefore, we would like to have a non-uniform day where children are invited to wear something red/pink! We are asking children to bring in £1 for the privilege of wearing non-uniform – this money will go towards refreshing the reading books across the school. If your child does not have anything red/pink, then they can come into school in non-uniform. This is optional, therefore if you do not want your child to take part, then they can come in their school uniform. Thank you.

**Non-uniform day!**

## We are so sorry to see you go.

Next Friday, we say goodbye to Mrs Gibbons, who is a wonderful member of our Nursery staff. She is leaving us to take on a new adventure in her life as a Grandmother. We wish her every luck in the world and will miss her greatly. She has been a valuable support to our children at Sacred Heart for a number of years. Go well and go safely.



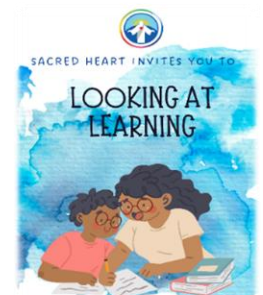
## Safer Internet Day

Mrs Baker and Mr Finn organised an informative day for our children on how to stay safe when using the Internet. The Internet and Social Media are a fantastic resource but being safe online is so important. Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity to talk to your child, family and friends about the safe, responsible and positive use of technology. Here at Sacred Heart, E-safety is extremely important and so on this day the children learnt a lot of key information and took part in various activities to show their awareness and responsible use of the internet. Please visit the following website for Safer Internet Day 2023's Top Tips for Parents and Carers: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

## Looking at Learning

Thank you to all the parents, who joined us this week for Looking at Learning. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to share and celebrate your child's books and that you found the sessions informative. Next week, will be the turn of our Year 1 and Reception parents.

- Year 1 Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February (2:45pm – school hall)
- Reception (Mrs Kennedy) Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February (9:00am – school hall)
- Reception (Mrs Gaffney/Mrs Cruse) Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February (9:00am – school hall)



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## Mousike Ensemble

As part of the music curriculum the children in Year 2 and Year 5 will be taking part in a big music event. This is taking part in March but the children are beginning to practise their performances now – learning songs that are linked to our PSHE curriculum and learning their instrument parts. The children will also be learning a school showcase, but this is top secret at this stage! The children will be welcoming 200 other children from across our Catholic Schools to perform and celebrate their learning. Of course, we will be dressing up and turning the hall into something very exciting ☺.



## 'Have Your Say Day'

On Wednesday, Children in all year groups were given the opportunity to 'Have their Say' about ways we can make our school a better place for everyone. This half term's topic was 'What can we do to make our school more environmentally friendly?' Each class voted on their favourite ideas and their class council member will present these to the School Council next week. The School Council will then vote for their favourite initiative and will create an action plan to implement this in school. I can't wait to hear what environmental action the children will be putting in place next half term! ☺

## Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they are unwell. Follow this advice on when to keep your child at home:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

## Year 1 and 2 Fairy tale Workshop

The children in Year 1 and 2 really enjoyed the online fairy tale workshop led by Michael Rosen on Wednesday. They explored all the ingredients for a fairy tale and got to hear Michael Rosen himself make up one of his own! They then let their creativity flow as they planned and mapped out their own fairy tale, thinking up mysterious settings, characters and enchanted objects!

## Winter Poetry Competition winners

A huge well done to Evelyn and Kleo in Y6, who have won the Year 6 Romero Winter Poetry Competition. Their work was absolutely stunning and the judges were blown away by their imagery and vocabulary. We hope the competition has inspired our Year 6s and developed a joy for poetry writing! On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> the winners will receive a special treat – a hot chocolate and story session with author Aaron Ashmore.

## Afternoon Tea

For their DT lesson this week, Year 1 enjoyed some afternoon tea! They discussed the importance of food hygiene and safety before practising the skills of spreading, grating and cutting when making their cheese sandwiches and scones. A huge thank you to our fabulous catering team for making this experience possible!



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## A message from Mrs Igoe:

I have recently taken on the role of SEN lead (Special Educational Needs) across Sacred Heart School. I am absolutely passionate about my role and this is fuelled by my own personal experience of having children with SEN.

As part of my role I am looking at how to improve SEN provision across our school. I am aware that SEN is an area that is misunderstood and that for some, the classification of 'Special Educational Needs' brings about many anxieties and connotations.

SEN describes learning difficulties or disabilities that mean your child may need more support than other children of their age.

Some children may experience a delay in their Speech and language and as a result, may need interventions from an SALT specialist. Other children may have difficulties with their learning, and we might need to reach out to other specialists to get advice and support. For others, it may be that they have a formal diagnosis e.g. Autism (ASD) Attention Deficit Disorder (ADHD) or dyslexia. Other children may suffer with their mental health and experience anxiety or difficulties around emotional regulation. These are all examples of what constitutes SEN.

If your child is identified as having a difficulty that requires extra support or interventions then they will be placed on our SEN register. This is absolutely nothing to feel bad about. I want to break down the barriers and stigma that is sometimes associated with SEN.

It is our job to advocate for our little people and to remove the barriers that might be preventing them from thriving.

Please can I encourage all parents (regardless of whether they have SEN or not) to complete the questionnaire: <https://forms.office.com/e/SEZSOLuFBk>

In the meantime, please feel free to reach out to me for advice [d.igoe@romeromac.com](mailto:d.igoe@romeromac.com)



## Reading Award

Congratulations to all the children, who received a reading award today! You are working so hard on your reading at home, and this is amazing!

Year Group		
Reception	Abolade A	Teddy J-C
Year 1	George M	Isabelle S
Year 2	Dara L	Jack-Jayson K
Year 3	Meadow H	Chinonso O
Year 4	Maksymilan S	Sean B
Year 5	Evie G	Milo P
Year 6	Lama M	Dhairya P

**Reading at home with your child is the BEST thing you can do to support their learning.** Please try and spend at least **10 minutes** a night hearing your child read and sharing stories. Good readers make good writers and helps to improve children's imagination, creativity and knowledge of the world.

We would love for you to share your favourite books with us! Why not put a review of your favourite book on the school reading padlet? Let's share our love of books with each other and give some recommendations to our friends. To access the padlet, please scan the QR code or follow the padlet link. <https://padlet.com/mtaggart4/1L5cpcoorjckyh4h>



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Don't forget to keep playing Spelling Shed and Times



Tables Rockstars.

<b>Spelling Shed</b>		<b>Times Tables Rockstars</b>	
The King Bees and Queen Bees for this week are:		Our top Rockstars are:	
Class 1C	Riyan S		
Class 1D	Bryan E		
Class 2E	Gerald A	Class 2E	Nicole W
Class 2F	Tomasz M	Class 2F	Liam A
Class 3G	Elnathan E	Class 3G	Benedict M
Class 3H	Nael K	Class 3H	Jacqueline K
Class 4I	Olivia D	Class 4I	Loki F
Class 4J	Olivia R	Class 4J	Anji I
Class 5K	Edlin S	Class 5K	Edlin S
Class 5L	Karen A	Class 5L	Karen A
Class 6M	Brendan W	Class 6M	Matthew J
Class 6N	Kendra O	Class 6N	Oihane A

*Well done to our winners for this week! If you want to be in with a chance of 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.*

### Week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
<b>Value and Virtue – Eloquent and Truthful</b>		
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	All Day All Day 2:45pm	Guitar Lessons Sacred Heart's Got Talent auditions Y1 Looking at Learning
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	All Day Morning 9:00am Morning All Day All Day 3:00pm	Piano and violin lessons Drumming lessons Reception Looking at Learning (Mrs Pearman) Y6 Magistrates visit. GIFT Team to Cardinal Wiseman Non-uniform Day – St Valentines Y3/4 Girls Football Match AT7
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	All Day 9:00am	Catholic Social Teaching Workshops Reception Looking at Learning (Mrs Gaffney/Mrs Cruse)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	9:00am	Year 4 to Mass
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	9:00am Morning	Y3 Miss Gibson/Mrs O'Connor Class Assembly Y6 First Aid Training

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs R Ellis  
Head of School

### Teacher Training Day – Friday 3rd March 2023

A reminder that school will be closed to pupils on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March as we have a Romero Staff Training Day.

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# FREE February FUN



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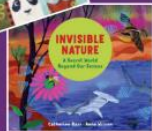
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## Catherine Barr

Saturday 11 February 2023

[www.catherinebarrbooks.me](http://www.catherinebarrbooks.me)



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**STOKE LIBRARY** 10.30am-11.30am

Kingsway CV2 4EA

Tel: 024 7678 6990

**CENTRAL LIBRARY** 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Smithford Way CV1 1FY

Tel: 024 7683 2314

Join author Catherine Barr for a fun interactive workshop focussing on 50 reasons to love endangered animals. Learn how to draw a platypus and take part in some activities. Catherine will be selling and signing some of her books. Suitable for ages 6+.

**Spaces are limited, book in at the libraries  
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