

# Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples that, when he returns to heaven, he will ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit to be their helper.



## Adapted from John 14:15-21 The 6th Sunday of Easter, Year A

“Jesus said to the disciples, “If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you a Helper to be with you forever. He will give you the Spirit of Truth. The world neither sees nor knows the Spirit, but you know the Spirit, because the Spirit is with you, and lives in you. I will not leave you orphaned: I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me but you will still see me. Then you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Those who receive my commandments and keep them are those who love me. Those who love me will be loved by my Father. I will love them, and they will see me as I truly am.”

### The Wednesday Word is Helper

The Holy Spirit is our helper – alive and active today – nudging us to do good and guiding us along the way. The presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives will help us to grow in love, joy, wisdom, peace, self-control, patience, faithfulness and kindness. We can ask the Holy Spirit to help us, especially in these times when things are difficult.

*“The Holy Spirit helps us to view others with fresh eyes, seeing them as brothers and sisters in Jesus, to be respected and loved.”*

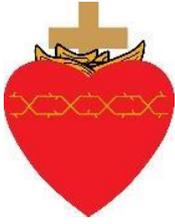
Pope Francis

*This week's prayers have been written by Elisa in Year 6 and Valery in Year 3.*

Dear Lord,  
May we never forget to love you and others as we  
love ourselves  
and to stay humble as our riches here are not as  
grand as in heaven.  
Let us follow your commandments  
And, although we can't see you, may you stay in our  
hearts as our loving Father.

Through Christ our Lord,  
Amen

Dear Lord,  
Help us to be able to be a good follower of  
you,  
to respect and obey you, please guide all of  
us at every time,  
let us be just like you and your disciples.  
Keep us safe.  
Amen.



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## Further Information on reopening of schools

As announced by the government on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May, school may possibly reopen for children **in FY, Year 1 and Year 6 only**, if they deem it safe to do so.

If there is high demand then Year 6 children may need to be accommodated in secondary schools.

There are still discussions and debates continuing as to how schools will re-open to ensure the safety of all children and adults. Further information will be sent to parents next week when we receive more guidance and advice from the government.

Parents with children in these year groups **must** have responded to the parent mail message to state whether or not their children will be attending school. Children will not be admitted into school unless a response has been received due to the social distancing measures put in place.

Please note there will be no penalty imposed for any child not attending school this academic year.

## Home Learning

The BBC have created some excellent lessons for children to follow on **BBC Bitesize**. This can be accessed using the red button on most Smart TVs. Teachers will direct you from the home learning page of the school website to these lessons where appropriate but please feel free to use this at home yourselves.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

## Half term

The official half term holiday would have been from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May to Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Work will not be set for the children during this week.

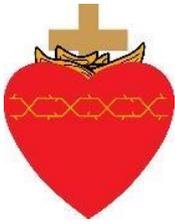
## Thank you- Asda Perry Barr

Last week, the children in school created drawings and wrote messages to thank and support the key workers at Asda in Perry Barr. Bella from Asda very kindly donated ingredients so the children could make cookies and provided the children with some fun games to play. Thank you Asda!



## Pupil of the Week- Joaquin De La Cruz





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## *A message from Mrs Flint and Mrs Badland*

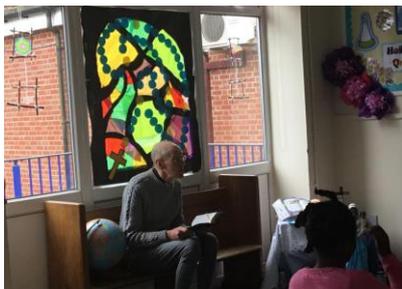
Joaquin has produced lots of fantastic work on Purple Mash this week, including a super fact file about castles and fantastic sentences about what happens in Spring.

Well done Joaquin. Keep up the good work.

## **Collective Worship**

Please continue to follow the links on the front page of the school website for the *One Life* liturgies from Dan and Emily to use at home for prayer times at home.

## **Visit from Father Stephen**



The children had a lovely visit from Father Stephen today within social distance measures. He celebrated a prayer service with them with the focus of Mary Our Mother. Father prayed with the children that Mary would keep them safe, they read their own prayers to Father and presented him with some messages written by children.

Stay safe. Everyone at Sacred Heart is continuing to keep you all in our prayers.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Principal

Mrs G Elliott  
Acting Head of School

Mrs D Cooper  
Acting Vice Principal

