

Sacred Heart Primary School



DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON

Jesus at the Heart of all that we do

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APRIL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

Welcome to this month's Newsletter. I trust you and your family are looking forward to the May Bank Holiday weekend, hopefully we will have sunshine!

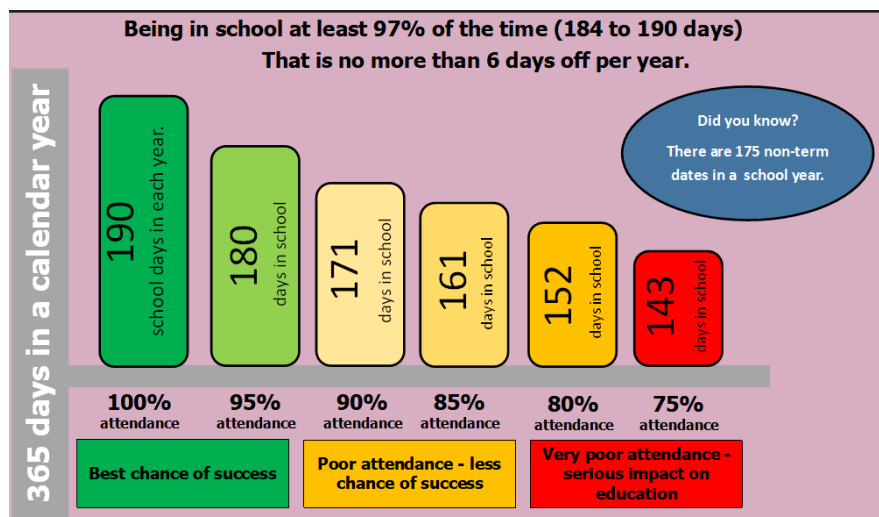
It is with mixed feelings that I am retiring at the end of this academic year, after a teaching career of forty-one years, seventeen of which have been as head teacher of Sacred Heart Primary. Sacred Heart will always hold a very special place in my heart and the wonderful children, staff and parents I have had the pleasure of working with. I wish the school every success in the future.

EASTER TO PENTECOST- In the first half of this term the children are learning about the journey from Easter to Pentecost. The focus of our term's work in RE is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives, exploring Pentecost, Reconciliation and the Universal Church. The children will also spend a week learning about Islam. Please see the attached Parents' Letter for further information. During the month of May we shall be thinking about Mary our Mother and welcome any contributions of flowers to place around the statues of Our Lady in the school halls.

EASTER RAFFLE - We raised a total of £450 in our Easter Raffle, an amazing achievement. The proceeds from the raffle divided between CAFOD and Mission Together. Thank you to all the staff for generously donating the prizes, we had a total of 45 prizes for KS1 and 60 prizes for KS2.

SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM - Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 football team for winning the town championship for the second year in a row. Well done boys we are very proud of you.

DIOCESAN SCHOOL BUILDING FUND - Thank you to all those families who continue to contribute to this voluntary scheme. These funds go towards maintenance costs and building projects. Over the Easter holidays we had part of the KS2 roofs replaced as with all buildings projects we have to fund 10% of the costs. The guidelines set by the Diocese suggest a payment of £30.00 per child or a maximum of £45.00 per family is paid to the school each year. This can be in cash form, cheque or you can set up a standing order for £2.50 per month (£30 annually) or £3.75 per month (£45 annually). Thank you for your co-operation and continued generosity.



ATTENDANCE - Being around teachers and friends in school is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Good attendance is important for their achievement, wellbeing, and wider development. Evidence shows that the students with the highest attendance throughout their time in school gain the best GCSE and A Level results. <https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/the-link-between-absence-and-attainment-at-ks2-and-ks4>. Parents are encouraged to make medical appointments for their child outside of the school day where possible and to encourage their child to attend school regularly.

VACANCIES - We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor, if you are interested please contact admin@sacredheart.primaryluton.co.uk or enquire at the KS2 Office. Also on MyNewTerm we have an advert for a class teacher and shortly the head teacher vacancy will be advertised.

CLASS PHOTOS - The school photographer will be in school on Friday 16 May. This is to take a whole school photo to mark the end of our 60th Year, individual portraits of Year 6 and class photographs for all year groups.

ALLERGY AWARENESS

We have some children who have nut allergies and for their safety all nut based products have been banned from the school premises. Please do not send your child into school with any nut based product. Potential allergens could include:

- Spreads e.g Nutella and Peanut Butter
- Cereal bars
- Biscuits and cakes containing nuts
- Condiments e.g satay sauce
- Some snack pots

It is important that you check the labelling of food products before sending your child into school with them- it is not always apparent that products contain nuts or traces of nuts.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL - Year 2 recently enjoyed a day at St Paul's Cathedral learning about the Fire of London and exploring the cathedral. The children had a wonderful time as did the adults.



HOLIDAY DATES - The School will also be closed on **Monday 1st May** for the May Day Bank Holiday, Monday 8th May for King Charles' Coronation and the May half term break is Monday 29 May to Friday 2nd June. All other holiday dates are available from both school offices on request and are also on our school website www.sacredheartluton.org.uk.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 1st May - Bank Holiday- School Closed

Tuesday 2nd May - 5LK Class Mass -11.15am- parents invited

Friday 5th May - First Friday Mass at Sacred Heart Church -9.30- Year 5 and Year 4 reading- parents invited

Friday 5th May - Coronation Celebrations – Red, White and Blue day

Monday 8th May - Bank Holiday- School Closed

Tuesday 9th May - Year 6 SATs start

Friday 12th May - 3CA Assembly - 9.15am parents invited

Tuesday 16th May - 60th Anniversary whole school photo, class photos for all and Year 6 individual photos

Thursday 18th May -Feast of the Ascension Mass Year 6 and Year 3 reading

Thursday 18th May - Evening Resilience Webinar for parents Julia Wilkinson

Friday 19th May - 5LK Assembly - 9.15am parents invited

Friday 26th May -4RA Assembly - 9.15am parents invited

Monday 5th June -Year 6 PGL trip

Tuesday 6th June - 5CB Class Mass -11.15am- parents invited

Monday 12th June -Year 1 Phonics Tests start

Friday 16th June - Sacred Heart Feast Day

Friday 16th June - FS and Year 1 trip to Mead Open Farm

Friday 23rd June -3NH Assembly - 9.15am parents invited

Friday 30th June -1KF Assembly - 9.15am parents invited

Thank you once again for your continued support and encouragement.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. J.M.Cullen

