

## Sports Teams

Our school is lucky enough to have many sports teams. We have a lot of amazing and talented people on our teams who try their best to win every match. We have Football, Netball, Hockey, Dodgeball and Tag Rugby teams. Coming up next term, there will be some new teams such as - Tennis, Rounders, Frisbee and Athletics.

Although our school plays fairly in games, we also have some rivals, such as: St. Joseph's and Ferrars. We have very close scores in matches, but Sacred Heart's sports teams are trying their hardest to overtake any other schools who they play against. Some of the most recent matches we have played are: Girls Netball against St. Joseph's (which we won 8-0), and we played Ferrars in Boys Football, which we won 4-2. The Yr3 and YR4 Tag-Rugby team came 2<sup>nd</sup> in their matches, got into county, and came 2<sup>nd</sup> again.

Selected YR6's had to run against some high school pupils. Ella and Tom from YR6 came very high up in the leaderboard. Now they practice with Miss Lee on a regular basis. For practice, they run on the field (where it is not crowded), with Miss Lee leading them. Sacred Heart is very proud of our sports teams for competing and trying their best in all their matches.

We are hoping that YR2 will get to have a team, as it will help them to communicate with each other, and also let them experience how fun it is to work in a team!

By Bianca Banko and Grace O'Malley.

*Hope you have a Happy  
and Peaceful Easter*

*From the YR5 Newspaper Team*

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# Heart News Now

Jesus At the Heart Of All That We Do March 2016

## Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of lent when we go to church and get ashes on our foreheads. This is a sign to show that we are not perfect but we are sorry for doing wrong. It is forty-six days before Easter Sunday. Ash Wednesday this year was on the 1st March. Our whole school went to church. The church was so full some people even had to stand. The ashes show that we would do anything for God, and that we are made of dust. It is also a time when we respect Jesus more for what he has done for us. When the priest puts ashes on our foreheads he says "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel," or "Remember that you are dust, and unto dust you shall return.". The official name is 'Day of Ashes' because the priest rubs ashes on our foreheads. Lent is also a time to try to get closer to God.  
By Connie Doak- Dunelly

## Easter Surprises!

It is now Lent, and Sacred Heart Primary School have brought in some living eggs (this is when we have some eggs and we are able to watch as they hatch into chicks). On the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017, the living eggs came to Sacred Heart. Everyone was so excited. It is great fun because it will teach the children how to take care of them and maybe one day, they could own their own chicks.

The chicks have been coming to the school for about 4 or 5 years. They started hatching on Tuesday, and by Thursday all nine of the chicks had hatched.

The chicks are taken round from class to class so that the children can observe and handle the chicks.

It is a perfect way to get children started on grooming animals.

By Queentela Ezealas-Uzoma



# Easter Production

On the 31<sup>st</sup> of March, Year 5 are going to perform the Easter production for the parents. It is about the crucifixion of Jesus and the events that led up to it. The main character is Jesus (who is played by Grace O'Malley). Another very important part is Mary (played by Caoimhe). Barrabas is played by Kevin and Pontius Pilate is played by Queen-tela. Judas is played by Harry and Tomiwa plays Peter.

We've been practising a lot lately and it is all coming together. We have had a lot of fun. I play Caiaphas, who gives Judas the money to betray Jesus. There is lots of songs and actions, I honestly am really excited to perform in front of our parents and the school.

Grace O'Malley from Year 5 says: "It is fun to practise and I am very proud to be playing Jesus." From my point of view, I completely agree with Grace and I think that it will be even better when we actually perform it in front of people. Connie also told us about how it feels to be up on stage whilst acting and being a disciple: "It is very nice because everyone is seeing how important the role of a disciple is, even though they don't say a lot."

YR5 parents are invited to come and watch this production on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 2pm in the KS2 Hall. We hope you enjoys watching this performance.

By Eve Kelly

## HEALTH WEEK

Health week took place the week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017. Some children from YR2 to YR6 had the opportunity to sample a healthy breakfast just before school started. Family workers, Mrs Diggins and Mrs Overton, organised a breakfast menu every day for all the different year groups.

In YR5, children were offered a fruit cocktail wrap. Mrs Overton told me that "the children enjoyed a different breakfast for every year group. Some children also tried new foods for the first time." The other year groups were offered porridge with fruit compote, healthy toast, homemade muesli and French toast.

Parents were able to drop their children off in the Family Room at 8:20, ready for their tasty treat!!

By Caoimhe Murray

# Year 3 confessions

3AG and 3CF are soon going to have their First Confessions. 3AG's is on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March and 3CF's is on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April. First Confessions are when you talk to the priest at church and tell him all your sins. The priest then forgives you and you can start afresh. You also go and say your communion prayer.

I have talked to Ruby Mai and Sophia about how they feel about having their first confessions so soon. Ruby Mai said: "I'm a bit nervous but also very excited." Sophia said: "I'm a little bit nervous, but I'm looking forward to the day."

From my own experience I think that the year three children should not be worried because once you actually say to the priest what you have done wrong you feel really good about yourself and the priest can give you some advice. It is honestly a great way to just get rid of your sins and if you ever sin again then you can go to church and tell the priest.

BY EVE KELLY

## Anti- Bullying Training

On the 26<sup>th</sup> of January, both the YR5 and YR6 Anti-bullying ambassadors went on a training course to help them to learn how they could handle bullying in our school. The training was called "Upskill Training". We went through a series of educational and fun activities which all helped us to be better ambassadors. The beautiful school was called Perse school in Cambridge. Francesca was one of the lucky pupils who went on the training. She told us how she felt about the training. "It was fun and we learnt lots of ideas to bring back to our school." We learnt how to handle cyber bullying and public speaking. We left school at 8 am and arrived at Perse School at 9:30 am. Everyone enjoyed it and we are lucky to have so many amazing anti-bullying ambassadors and teachers who all make our school a better place to be.

BY GRACE O'MALLEY.



## Book Mayhem!

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March was World Book Day. However our school celebrated Book Day on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Book Day is a day we celebrate the millions of books that have been published (and all the authors) by dressing up as our favourite book character. There are so many characters to choose from. I chose to dress up as Luna Lovegood, a character from Harry Potter who I like very much. Amelie, from Year five, said “I dressed up as Harley Quinn, because I had been inspired by the comics that I had read about her.” Another thing that happens on Book Day is every child gets a £1 book token. This allows you to choose a free book from a selection, during book week only, at any WH Smith or Waterstones store. I love Book Day myself, because it is a day we celebrate our favourite books. But why do others like Book Day? “I like Book Day” says Queentella from YR5 “because I love seeing all of the wonderful costumes people have made or bought”. What a lovely answer! Overall, I think World Book Day is one of the best days in the year and what makes it even better is that it is an international event!

By Dagmara Sitkowska

### LID: Colour and Cooking!

Having done tremendous projects in the past, these particular LID groups co-operate really well together – Cooking with Miss Barry, and Colour with Mrs Ryan. Last session, these LID groups baked cupcakes and made their own plates, with help from Mrs Plummer!

Mrs Ryan has taught the Colour group about famous artists – like Henri Matisse, Vincent Van Gogh, Pablo Picasso, Leonardo Da Vinci, and many more! A few years ago, Mrs Ryan arranged a trip to London...The National Art Gallery!

Mrs Ryan and Miss Barry organised a fun event held in the KS1 hall, where we made Vegetable Chow-Mein and our own Chinese Take-Away bags, (chopsticks included!) This was all done with help from Mrs Overton and Mrs Diggin. It took a few hours to cool down (but we were able to take it home that evening!) I interviewed Amelie, who said: “I also really liked the chinese food, and enjoyed making and colouring in our take-away bags!”

By Bianca Banko

Hola

## MFL MADNESS

Ciao

MFL WEEK took place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017. For those who don't know what MFL week is, it is a week where you learn a modern foreign language (MFL). On the first day of MFL week we made French pancakes, or Crepes as they are called in French. We were taken out in groups of four to make the crepes using as many French words as we could. We then got to share them between us, they were delicious! We then swapped classrooms and did different activities in 5LK (Mrs Kelly's class) and 5HC (Miss Canavan's class). In 5HC we did katakana, which is writing in Japanese and then copying over in black paint on paper. However, in 5LK we learnt some French words. We had to think of French words for foods and write them up on the white board. I have interviewed some people about their favourite activities that took place and here's what they had to say:

Bianca: “I much enjoyed making crepes and writing in Katakana!”

Connie: “If I had to choose a favourite it would have to be writing in Katakana like Bianca!”

Niamh: “Personally my favourite would be making crepes because they were very good, especially when they were warm!”

Amelie: “Well lots of the things were fun but if there was a favourite it would be learning new French foods, partly because I am quarter French and it has helped me to improve my French!”

On Tuesday it was a delight when making pancakes in the shared area with Mrs Fox and Mrs Ford what a JOY! MFL week gave us all a chance to try different activities and learn lots of new languages. It was lots of fun and all the children had a blast.

By Niamh Griffiths

Hallo

Bonjour

# Planetarium

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of February 2017 some of the LID (Learning in Depth) groups had an amazing experience right here in school! Three groups who took part in this educational activity were The Moon, The Solar System and Pirates. It was very interesting learning about all the different star constellations. We also learnt that there are millions and millions of planets, so many that they cannot all be named. Gravity is another thing that we learned about. On the moon there is less gravity so it's harder to walk, often people fall over, or look like they are skipping. We had to sit in a mini planetarium that was used to show people who don't come to the proper planetarium what it is actually about. Inside the mini planetarium it was very dark and had a projector inside. It was truly amazing. We give many thanks to Miss Cullen for letting us have this glorious experience, because it was amazing, and everyone will tell you that they learnt a lot about our solar system. We also give thanks to the man who did it, because he explained it very well and was also quite funny too. Eve Kelly in Year 5 said that "It's interesting, especially seeing all the star constellations. I hope we will be able to do it again. "

By Grace O'Malley

## Fire Engine Visit for YR2

The YR2's were lucky enough to have a special visit from the Stopsley fire station. A real fire engine came to school and the YR2's were shown around by the fire fighters themselves! They were even allowed to use the hose!

Everyone had a lot of fun and it may have helped inspire some children to become fire fighters one day.

Grace O'Malley and Bianca Banko.



## Pyjama Day

On the 9<sup>th</sup> of February it was pyjama day at Sacred Heart Primary School.

On that day, [PJ day] lots of people wore their own PJ's, onesies and dressing gowns. The whole school were encouraged to wear their own fantastic sleepwear.

Mrs Murray [our Assistant Head] said that we could do this to raise money for any charity. Each person had to bring in £1. Four YR5 pupils chose the charities to support. The money raised was shared between four charities (pancreatic cancer, sarcoma cancer, Noah, Nico LTD appeal).

About 420 students took part in this activity within our school. Altogether we raised £1000! The four charities above each got £250!

Thank you to all the children and parents for your generous support.



By Kenny Celestine

## Upcoming Events for Summer Term

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March — YR5 Easter Production

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March—Easter Raffle

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March – School Breaks Up For Easter

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Summer Term Begins

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April— Rainbow Dress Up Day

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May—Class Photos

May 2017—KS2 SATS

June 2017 – KS1 SATS

June 2017– YR6 to PGL

June 2017—Sacred Heart Feast Day

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2017—School Fete

July 2017—Sports Day (TBC)