



Jesus at the Heart  
of all that we do

# Sacred Heart Primary School

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## MAY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

Welcome to this month's Newsletter. I trust you and your family enjoyed the Easter break

**EASTER** - In the first half of this term the children have been 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.

**WEDNESDAY WORD** - Hopefully you are all receiving your weekly copies of The Wednesday Word via your eldest child at Sacred Heart Primary every Wednesday. We hope you enjoy reading The Wednesday Word and that you will find time to share five minutes together to complete the Family Time activities.

**YEAR OF PRAYER AND VOCATION** - In December Bishop Peter launched the Year of Prayer and Vocation 2017/ 2018. During this year we are asked to focus on our prayer and our vocation and to help us with this the Northampton Diocese are producing monthly prayer resources. The first two, for May and April, are attached and we will distribute these prayer sheets with our school newsletters.

**YEAR 2 and YEAR 6 SATs** - The children and staff in Year 2 and Year 6 have been working very hard preparing for the SATs. These are the end of Key Stage tests and we thank all the staff who have helped to prepare the children since their entry to our school. The KS2 written tests are timetabled from Monday 14 May to Thursday 17 May in Year 6. The KS1 (Year 2) written tests will start in the week beginning Monday 14 May.

The next few weeks are extremely important so please continue all your good work at home and encourage your children with all the homework and revision activities they are set. It is also important for the children to go to bed early to ensure they perform to their best during the tests. We wish all our children well and will keep them in our thoughts and prayers at this important time.

**ONLINE SAFETY** - A range of up to date information and family friendly guides on keeping your child happy, healthy and safe online is available for parents at <https://parentzone.org.uk/advice/parent-guides>. Please take the time to look at these resources. We hope you find them useful.

**EASTER EGG RAFFLE** - Once again our annual Easter Egg Raffle in school was a huge success raising **£394**. Tickets were drawn on Thursday 29 March, the money has been donated to CAFOD. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of staff who donated the Easter Eggs, we had a total of **84** prizes.

**NICU NON UNIFORM DAY** - Thank you for your support on our Non Uniform Day to raise money for Luton and Dunstable Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. We decided to raise money for NICU to celebrate the first birthday of Evie Rose Shambrook, the daughter of one of our teachers Mrs Shambrook/ Miss Hopwood, who was born prematurely and weighed less than one pound at birth. Due to the care she received Evie is doing very well and enjoyed her first birthday party. A total of **£407** was raised, a very special thanks to Alice Birmingham in Year 2 who donated her birthday money to this very worthy cause.

**LEITRIM ASSOCIATION** - We are very grateful to the Leitrim Association for their £500 donation to the school in memory of Mrs Monica McIntyre. The money was used towards the cost of our Maths Problem Solving Day so all of the children benefitted from this very generous donation. Monica's children and grandchildren attended Sacred Heart Primary, Monica also worked in the school as the school nurse and was always a great supporter of the school.

**SUMMER FETE** - The School Fete will take place on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2pm - 5pm. We would be grateful for donations for the various stalls. If you are able to help out at the fete on the day please contact the KS2 or KS1 office. Thank you.

**ADMISSIONS 2019** - The Governors would like to inform all parents with regard to admissions for September 2019. Children born between 01.09.14 - 31.08.15 need to be registered with the school. Please contact the school office for further details. **Year 5 parents, please be aware that Cardinal Newman are reintroducing Sign Up Sundays for September 2019 Admissions, these may be introduced in the next few weeks.**

**SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER** - The school photographer will visit the school to take class photographs on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May. We will distribute the proofs and information on how to order the photos when we receive them.

**SUMMER WEATHER** - As the weather improves please ensure you protect your child with sun cream. Children should have a suitable sun hat and a bottle for water with a non spill top. Bottles are available from the offices for £1.25. When purchasing sandals for school wear it is important that they are sensible, suitable for school. Children also need a pair of trainers or plimsolls to wear for outdoor P.E.

**HALF TERM DATES** - The half term holiday is from **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May** to **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June** and the children return to school on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June**.

**DATES FOR PENTECOST TERM:**

10 May - School Photographer in for class photos  
10 May - Mass for the Feast of Ascension - 9.30am -Year 3 and Year 2 reading  
12 May - 3HC First Holy Communion  
14 May - KS1 and KS2 SATs Week  
18 May - 5AG Class Assembly 9.15am parents/carers invited  
19 May - Green Power Goblin Race Day  
21 May- Manga Artist working with Year 6  
25 May - 4TA Class Assembly 9.15am parents/carers invited  
25 May - School Nurse Drop In - see Family Workers for further information  
4 June - Year 6 Residential to PGL Isle of Wight  
5 June - Foundation Stage Trip to Willow Farm  
5 June - Faith Ambassadors Trip to Northampton Cathedral  
7 June - Guys and Guardians Year 5 6-8pm  
8 June - Sacred Heart Feast Day Mass - 9.30am - Year 4 and Year 1 reading  
11 June- Phonic Screening Week  
12 June - Live Well Assembly for KS1 and KS2  
12 June - New Intake Meeting 7pm KS1 Hall parents/carers only  
14 June - Live Well Event in KS2 Hall -3.30pm  
14 June - Rainbow Non Uniform Day  
15 June – 3HC Class Assembly 9.15am parents/carers invited  
15 June - Healthy Breakfast  
15 June - Singing Spectacular  
19 June - Little Meerkat's Big Panic Workshop for Year 1  
21 June - Year 1 trip to Gulliver's Land  
22 June - Year 3 Trip to Kidzania  
25 June - Learning in Depth  
26 June - Year 2 Cooking with Amanda from Asda  
27 June - Year 5 Trip to Milton Keynes Theatre - Matilda  
28 June - KS1 Sports Day  
29 June - Kindness Day  
30 June - Dads' Club  
4 July - KS2 Sports Day  
5 July - Year 6 Transition Day - Luton High Schools  
6 July - 1OM Class Assembly 9.15am parents/carers invited  
6 July - Art Day  
13 July - 1BH Class Assembly 9.15am parents/carers invited  
17 July - FS Sports Morning

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

