

# SACRED HEART RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWS

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Happy New Year and welcome back. I hope you all had a happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous new year.

Pupil reports came home on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many parents attend the extended 'Open Door' parent consultations throughout the week to meet with their child's class teacher. Don't forget, teachers are available each evening until 3.30pm through our 'Open Door' policy if you have any concerns that you wish to discuss.

### Important Dates

16th January—Class 2 swimming starts

17th January—mass in school 2.30pm—everybody welcome

### Mass Times at Sacred Heart Church

Saturday at 6.00 pm (First Mass of Sunday)

Sunday at 9.00am

(The Liturgy of the Word for Children is usually celebrated during this Mass on the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the Month)

Weekday Masses: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30 am

DAYS OF OBLIGATION: On the 'day' at 6.30 pm

The Office of LAUDS (Morning Prayer) is celebrated at 9.15 am before the Weekday Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday 11.00 – 11.30 am & 5.15 – 5.45 pm or at call

### **Simon Carson After School Clubs**

We still have spaces available at both the Simon Carson KS1 Multi Skills and KS2 Football Training After School Clubs. If your child would like a place, please fill in a consent form from the school office.



### **Homework Club**

Homework club will be starting again on Monday 16th January however it will be only be open to Year 6 children this term to support them as they prepare for their SATs in May.

### **First Holy Communion**

Our First Holy Communion programme will begin early in 2017 at Sacred Heart School. Children from year 3 upwards are very welcome to join the programme.

### **Plimsolls**

Please can we remind parents that children should be wearing soft soled plimsolls indoors when at school unless alternative arrangements have been agreed with Miss Collings. Mrs Outram has quite a few second hand pairs of plimsolls in the office if your child has grown out of theirs and requires another pair.

### **Reading with your child**

Reading is an important skill in order for children to fully access the curriculum. We have noticed that some children are not reading at home as regularly as they should be. As part of our home-school agreement, it is essential that you hear your child read at home. We ask that you hear your child read at home every night (and sign their reading record) for a few minutes; this could be at bedtime when sharing a story together, or before their favourite programme on the television, or favourite computer game or over breakfast in the morning. It only takes 5 minutes but it will have an enormous effect on your child's progress.

It is also very important that your child brings their reading book to school everyday, to allow them to fully participate in our Reading Café.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

### **PE Kits**

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school. It would be helpful if your child could bring their kit in every Monday and take it home again on Friday.

### **Statement to live by**

I try to follow our school and classroom rules.



## Stars of the Week

**Star of the Week awards will be given out next Monday.**

## Headteacher Awards

**Headteacher awards will start again from next week.**

## Newsletter Preference

We currently send out paper copies of the newsletter and put a PDF version on our website for parents to view. We are looking at ways to improve the communication between school and home and would like to look at emailing the newsletter out to parents. We will be sending a letter home on Monday which will need to be filled in with your preferred method of receiving the newsletter. If we do not receive a reply, we will assume you are happy to view the newsletter on our website.

## Tesco Bags of Help

You will see in Tesco this month that Sacred Heart has been successful in the Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme and has been put forward to a customer vote to decide on the amount we will receive for our Forest School project.

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token. You can then vote for us by placing your token in our project box. The more tokens we receive the higher the amount of the grant we will receive (1st—£5000, 2nd—£2000 and 3rd—£1000).

So please spread the word amongst family and friends. You will be able to vote for our project up to 28th January 2017.

There are numerous stores across the region taking part in the voting for our project, these are detailed below along with postcodes:

CATCOTE RD HPOOL EXP	TS25 3HH
THROSTN GRA HPOOL EXP	TS26 0XP
NORTHALLERTON EAST RD	DL6 1NP
CATTERICK GARRISON	DL9 3EN
BEDALE MRKT PLACE EXP	DL8 1EQ
BYPASS BILLINGHAM EXP	TS23 1PB
HARTLEPOOL EXTRA	TS25 1JZ
STOCKTON EXTRA	TS21 3LU
YARM EAGLESCLIFFE	TS16 0PE
NORTON STOCKTON TEES EXP	TS20 1AH
INGLEBY BARWICK	TS17 0WA
BILLINGHAM	TS23 3TA
DARLINGTON MARKET EXP	DL1 1NH
BISHOP AUCKLAND EXTRA	DL14 9AL
NEWTON AYCLIFFE EXTRA	DL5 4DH