



# Sacred Heart School

Service Before Self

**Mission Statement:**

The Sacred Heart is a Community committed to the education of its pupils in a Catholic Christian ethos, where each person is invited to serve God and others in faith, hope and love.

**Aims:**

To foster spiritual growth in Christian faith and values  
To value, appreciate and enjoy learning  
To work for excellence  
To further curiosity and creativity  
To aspire to high ideals

*Pastoral / PSHE*

## HOUSE POINTS AND SERVICE AWARDS POLICY

The House Point System is used as an incentive to good work and behaviour and to foster team spirit. The school is divided into four Houses, Balmoral, Buckingham, Sandringham and Windsor and older pupils encourage the younger ones to work hard to amass house points to enable the House to win the Gausden Academic Shield or Merit Shield.

House Points are awarded to the pupils from Year 4 to Year 11 by members of staff on the following basis:

- good work
- general good conduct
- effort
- participation in sporting or other activities

Every child is provided with House Point sheets in their diary. When a House Point is awarded it is entered on the card. It is not valid unless signed by the member of Staff concerned. House Points may be taken away for failure to hand in work or at the teacher's discretion. This is also entered on the House Point Card and signed / initialled by the member of Staff concerned.

Regular updates of House point totals are recorded at registration and announced by the House Captains. At the end of each term, the house points are calculated. At the end of each year a shield is awarded to the House with the most points. A shield is also awarded to the individual Junior, (Years 5, 6 and 7) and individual Senior, (Years 8, 9, 10 and 11), with the most points.

Service Points are awarded to pupils whom staff observe offering service to anyone in the school. Attendance at events is also rewarded with service points (5 points for an out-of-school event)

Order Marks are given for flouting school rules, such as wearing inappropriate uniform or lack of specific equipment.

Housepoints, service awards and order marks are recorded on the school database and totals are presented on the school report of each pupil.

**Monitoring and Review:**

Last reviewed January 2014, Spring 2015 HK: Next review scheduled Spring 2017