



Sacred Heart School

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Friends of Sacred Heart School

Fri 28 th April 3.45pm – Sun 30 th April 5.00pm	Duke of Edinburgh Practice
Sat 29 th April – Monday 1 st May	Diocese of East Anglia Ignite Religious Festival held at Sacred Heart School Join young people from all around the Diocese for a weekend of prayer, fun, activities and music (Year 7 and above)
Weds 3 rd May	3.45pm – 6.00pm U16 Rounders v TGS. Away
Thurs 4 th May	3.45pm – 6.45pm U12 & U14 Rounders v Smithdon. Away
Fri 5 th May	6.30pm Staff and PTA Quiz and Chips Evening – see information below and confirm menu choices
Weds 10 th May	8.30am – 3.00pm – ISA Senior Athletics in Cambridge
Thurs 11 th May	4.00pm French Trip Parents Meeting in the Barn Theatre
Mon 15 th May	No Playdayz
Tues 16 th May	3.45pm – 6.15pm U12 & U14 Rounders v St Clements. Away
Weds 17 th May	3.45pm – 5.00pm U13 Rounders v Glebe. Home
Fri 19 th May	LAMDA Exams all day
Mon 22 nd – Fri 26 th May	Book Fair after school
Mon 22 nd May	6.30pm PTA Meeting – All welcome
Tues 23 rd May	5.00pm – 7.00pm Lower School Parents Evening in the Gym
Weds 24 th May	5.30pm for 6.00pm start LAMDA Performance Evening in the Barn Theatre
Fri 26 th May	3.40pm Half Term begins
Mon 5 th June	8.30am Summer Term resumes 3.00pm – 6.00pm U9 Rounders v Glebe. Away

Congratulations to Nestor Bausbacher who achieved an ABRSM Music Awards Piano Grade 5 Pass

Fundraising at the Sacred Heart School -



Year 7 have taken it upon themselves to help raise money for the school. The children are arranging three key fundraising activities during April and May 2017 with all funds raised being used to help support the free school application and the purchasing of new IT equipment. The first is to complete the Peddars Way cross country route of 47 miles, non-stop in under

20 hours. We are lucky to have a keen sports pupil (Rebecca Cotterill) who will undergo this massive undertaking during the May half term. We were visited by her 3 husky dogs that will accompany her on this challenge. Because of this awesome task we have branded our fundraising campaign, 47-4-47. This simply means that 47 miles will be walked in order to raise £4,700.00 (or more!).

The second and third challenges are overseen by the whole of year 7 and include a sponsored fundraising event lasting 47 minutes. Each pupil will be asked to complete a school holiday challenge of their choice (also during the May half term) which could be cleaning and tidying their bedroom, a sponsored silence, dancing non-stop or even ironing their classes school uniforms! As long as the activity lasts at least 47 minutes and they can be sponsored for their achievements - this will all go towards the magic target of £4,700.00

Finally during April/May the whole school, parents, Sisters and teachers are encouraged to walk a total of 470 laps of the school playing field during lunch time. This will help everyone appreciate the efforts Rebecca is committing to her Peddars Way walk and to help ensure she has sufficient encouragement and training opportunities during the term ahead of her completing her challenge at the end of May 2017.

The PTA has kindly agreed to donate £470.00 to the fundraising activities should the pupils, parents, teachers and sisters collectively achieve 470 laps. Should you wish to support these activities and donate to help 47-4-47 then please visit:

www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/rebecca-cotterill



Charity Easter Egg Hunt - We will be holding our annual 'after Easter' Easter Egg Hunt next week. Please send in £1 as a donation on Tuesday. All eggs and chocolates have been kindly donated by Tesco and Waitrose and are pictured below. Please send in your CAFOD boxes as soon as possible. The charities being supported this year are a local homeless charity, CAFOD and the Sister's Mission in Uganda. Thank you for your generosity



The egg holiday challenge has again shown the creativity and hard work of all our pupils. They are extraordinary. Next week pupils are going to vote for the three favourites in each class and these pupils will receive an egg prize using some of our donated Easter eggs from Tesco's and Waitrose. They have been incredibly generous and we would like to send them photos of the egg winners.

The Sacred Heart Free School is generating a lot of interest in Swaffham and the surrounding area. We are continually receiving enquiries and our numbers are expanding. Our Application is being scrutinised for the final time by our consultant who

assures us that the DfE will not be interested until June as they have not processed the previous wave of Free Schools. We have been told that we have a good case so we have to pray for a positive outcome. It is important that people continue to express their interest in the Free School because it is really about the need for our type of Catholic / Christian School that will in some way determine our success.

Please could you let people in the area know that we have places in the Nursery that will take the 30 hours government vouchers (if parents qualify for this) in September. Their only expenses towards fees will be lunches.

Thank you to all parents who have given support to this venture. I firmly believe that if it is God's will we will be here for the next 100 years.

During the Easter holidays Sr Thomas More attended Mrs Lily Cleaver's funeral. She was Assistant cook for nearly 25 years and left in style in 1997 in a limousine with children waving roses. It was a spectacular occasion. She was in her 90's – may she rest in peace.

Mr Penney retired at Easter due to poor health and wanting to spend the rest of his retirement travelling the world. He was only here for a short time but he left his mark on the school, being a very generous, warm hearted and great teacher. He had never taught primary children before but was very comfortable teaching Years 5 and 6. He has passed the baton onto Mr Glenister who is also a secondary teacher but quite happy to take on the challenge of Primary Education as well as teaching ICT and Maths in the Senior School. The children are very familiar with him as he came in last term on his days off.

Those taking part in the Music Challenge have reported that although Bach's Prelude in C is difficult they are mastering playing the piece. Besides the four pupils, one teacher and myself there are three parents taking part. We have another 3 weeks before there will be a public performance.

French Trip 2017: Pre-Visit Information Meeting

You should have now received a letter informing you of a Pre-Visit Information Meeting on Thursday 11th May at 4:00pm in the Barn. At the meeting, we will be giving you more detailed information about the visit and it is also an opportunity for you to ask any questions that you may have.

A Health/Consent form was sent out this week with the letter. Please complete and return this to the school office, along with the Pre-Visit information attendance reply slip by Thursday 4th May at the latest. Many thanks, *Mrs Ahrenfelt.*

On Friday 21 April the Department for Education released further operational guidance for Local Authorities and providers. The guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/30-hours-free-childcare-la-and-early-years-provider-guide>.

On Friday the Childcare Service System went live for parents with children up to the age of 4. This means that parents wishing to access the 30 hours free childcare entitlement from September 2017 will now be able to apply using the system. Here is a link to the online Childcare Service: <https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynow>
Parents who have children under 4 years old on 31 August 2017 (i.e. Date of birth after 31/08/2013) will be able to apply and receive codes to take to Providers.

The Sainsbury voucher collection is going well with a new total of 2077! This promotion will end shortly so please be nice to the check-out staff who will often add a few extra from the shoppers not saving vouchers and keep them coming in!
Thank you

Box Fit, Circuit & Hit Training – Adults Only
Class on Wednesdays from 7.00pm – 8.00pm in the gym. If you are interested in joining this small, friendly group phone: 07712 725471 for more

information. Sessions cost £4 and will continue through-out the school holidays.

The following vacancies will become available from September 2017:

<p>Catholic Primary Teacher in Charge of Lower School and Year 6 (approx. 50% teaching)</p> <hr/> <p>KS2 Class Teacher</p> <hr/> <p>KS3 & 4 Biology Teacher FTE 0.8 with some Maths teaching included</p> <hr/> <p>KS3 & 4 Teacher of Computing (FTE 0.6) with some KS2 Maths & Science</p> <p>Closing date: 5th May 2017 Application Forms from the Office</p>
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Sr Francis and Staff



Date: Friday 5th May

Time: 6:30pm

Location: The Barn Teams: 4-6 people

Price: £10 (Includes food, please bring your own drink)



Please order your meal when you purchase your ticket

Menu

1-Fish and Chips

2-Sausage and Chips

3-Veggie Burger and Chips



Quiz and Chips Night Order Form

Please complete the table below, ensuring you have selected your meal choice and enclosed payment.

	Name	Fish	Sausage	Veggie Burger
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Total Amount: _____

For office use only

Payment Received:

Orders recorded on DB: