



Sacred Heart School

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Friends of Sacred Heart School

Mon 22 nd – Fri 26 th May	School Exams Book Fair after school
Mon 22 nd May	7.00pm PTA Meeting – All welcome
Tues 23 rd May	3.45pm – 6.15pm U12 & U14 Rounders v Springwood. Away 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
Thurs 8 th June	6.15pm Doors Open 6.45pm Eyes Down for Bingo
Wed 14 th June	3.45pm – 6.00pm U12 & U16 Rounders v DMHS. Away 4.00pm – 8.30pm Y9 / 10 GCSE Art pupils to Sainsbury Centre, Norwich to view Rana Begum's Colour and Light Exhibition and listen to her lecture.



Well done to the following pupils who have reached Star Award milestones:

Copper (10): *Henry Coutanche*

Turquoise (75): *George Milne, Scarlett Clarke*

Book Fair Parent Help Please –

Monday 22nd May help between 3.20pm and 4.20pm

Tuesday 23rd May at Parents Evening for half hour slots between 5pm and 7pm

Friday 26th May Run the Fair between 3.20pm and 4.20pm

Please let the office know if you are able to help.

Thank you

The Egg Holiday Challenge Winners are:

Year 7: 1st Daisy O'Brien, 2nd Lily Wainer, 3rd Sam Miles.

Year 8: 1st Alice Strafford, 2nd Abi Lawrence, 3rd Sam Miles.

Year 9: 1st Mark Dowsing, 2nd Cassandra Oliveira, 3rd Abigail Flannigan.

Year 10: 1st Charlie Spurling, 2nd Catherine Hazel, 3rd Aurelia Eburne.

Year 11: 1st Samantha Brain.

It was decided by the Lower School staff to give all the pupils a prize for their efforts in decorating the eggs which were inspirational and fun. So much work had been put into them by children and adults so we wanted to reward this participation. We held a 'unifix' colour raffle and everyone received some Easter goodies. This was appreciated by the pupils who wish to thank Tesco and Waitrose for their generous donation of Easter Fayre. We are still awaiting the £1 donations for the Easter Egg Hunt from some pupils.

Easter Egg Hunt –



Thank you to Tesco & Waitrose for the generous donation of Easter goodies. Pupils of the Lower School are photographed below. The amount raised so far is only £55, which will be sent to a local homeless charity, CAFOD and the Sister's Mission in Uganda. **Please send in your £1 donation as soon as possible;** we know that all the pupils have enjoyed taking part in the fun and eating the lovely chocolate!

URGENT If you haven't yet sent in your CAFOD box, please send it in as soon as possible too. It is of little good to collect money and then not distribute it to the needy!

Please be aware that all Lower School children should have kagoules in school as they do go outside whenever possible – even in light rain. It is important for them to have fresh air and a run around.

Pupils should return to school after half term wearing the summer uniform.

Apparently some parents in Little Pedlars are not receiving the weekly newsletters. This week we are sending out paper copies to all that class. This is our chief way of communicating with parents and we do need everyone to have access to it. The newsletter can also be viewed on the website. Please let us know if you do not receive the email.

Half Term Holiday Challenge

An environmental project worker attached to Swaffham Green Britain Centre has approached us to collaborate with them on Swaffham in Bloom Celebration at the end of term. They wish to decorate the trees in town with creative environmental textile work and asked if our students would create interesting prototypes during the half term break. Anything organic like flowers, insects, butterflies, dream catches using material, string, wool, raffia etc. the item must be waterproof. The lady was very impressed with the diversity of the eggs on display for the Easter holiday challenge and thought the children's work would be inspirational.

Year 7 and parents are also organising Holiday Challenge. Pupils have been asked to spend 47 minutes in some sponsored activity to help raise money to enable us to upgrade our ICT system. The 47.47 challenge that is being organised to sponsor Emily Cotterill to walk the Peddar's Way during Half Term is well known throughout the school as staff and pupils has spent lunchtimes doing laps around the field totalling 663. The PTA have promised to give £1 for every lap to purchase ICT equipment.

We are sorry to announce that Miss Gooderson is retiring this year after 41 years. She will be sorely missed as she is a lady with so many personal and professional talents. She has steered the Lower School with great commitment and has been unstinting in her loyalty and determination to see the school flourish. She is a very wise lady whose counsel will be missed by all of us. However she is passing on her skills and expertise to Mrs Henden who will be in charge of the Lower School from September 2017. She has also given many years of devoted service to the school and is looking forward to moving the school forward on our Free School journey.

Mrs Laban is returning to her homeland, Australia in July. She will be missed for her passion for our school and bringing educational ideas from the other side of the world where things are done differently. Her love of the outdoors and the environment have led her to organise the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme in the school and has enthused pupils to take on the Silver as well as the Bronze Award. She has managed to encourage a team of staff to continue with this confidence building exercise. Mr Rod Glenister has been appointed to succeed her. He is already used to our ways through the supply work that he has undertaken this term. He comes to our small school with a fresh pair of eyes and has nothing but praise for our chewing gum and graffiti free environment, our polite, well behaved pupils and the warmth that he has felt from everyone since his arrival.

Mrs Nicola Leader is moving to a school closer to her home. She retrained as a teacher with us and has added a new dimension to our staff with her valuable legal experience. Mrs Louise Lewis has been appointed to replace her next term. She comes with much experience from a local primary school as well as having a previous career in banking.

We may need another Primary teacher as the expression of interest for September 2017 is high. We are in the process of checking whether these are genuine potential pupils. If you know of anyone who has expressed interest on our Free School forms would you encourage them to get in touch with the office. We have someone awaiting a primary position in the school. We are looking for a Level 3 Nursery Assistant for September to replace our postulant, Miss Jude who will be transferred to Chesterfield.

Athletics: The senior athletics team have had two meets in close succession. We travelled to Cambridge for the ISA event last Wednesday and attended the Mid Norfolk Athletics this week. The atmosphere was great at both events, tensions ran high within our squad as nerves rose but our pupils

did us proud. Everyone competed to the best of their ability, some competing for the first time. At the ISA Meet the pupils were awarded medals, take a look at our medal winners:

Connie Wildbur- Silver- Javelin, Elizabeth Wainer- Bronze- Hurdles, Bonnie Matthews- Bronze- Hurdles, Alex Grapes- Bronze- 400m, Jack Reed- Bronze- Discuss, Joe Reed- Bronze- Discuss

At the Mid Norfolk Athletics no medals are awarded however we did achieve 6 1st places. Year 8 -10 winners qualify for the next round at the UEA on Saturday 10th June.

Sam Silver- Discuss, Charlotte Napper- Discuss, Alice Strafford- 1500m (Q), Joe Reed- Discuss (Q), Alex Grapes- 300m (Q), Harriet Horton- High Jump (Q). Well done to the whole team, every member participated with great spirit and earned points for the whole team. *Mrs Calvert*





On Friday 12th May, Years 9 & 10 visited the Jewish synagogue in Norwich. Marsha and Todd spoke to us about Jewish festivals, traditions and beliefs. It was very informative and we all thoroughly enjoyed it. Thank you to Marsha and Todd for teaching us so much in a short time. After the synagogue we visited the Catholic Cathedral on the other side of the road. After lunch we had a tour with Jack and then ventured up the narrow stairs to the roof of the cathedral. Some were very scared but it was worth the long walk! From the roof we could see the whole of Norwich and we even saw a plane take off! From the tour we learnt so much history about the cathedral and went inside the confessional rooms. *Catherine Hazel Year 10*



The LAMDA Performance Evening will take place on Wednesday 24th May from 6.00pm. (Participants to arrive for 5.30pm). We hope that you will be able to come along to encourage and support all our performers!

Mrs Pickering and Mrs Bhundia

The Sainsbury voucher promotion has now ended and the collection stands at 2838!

However, we are hoping that you may still have some vouchers that could increase the total! Please send them in as soon as possible so that they can all be included. Thank you.

2017 – 18 Term dates:

8.30am Wednesday 6th Sept 17 – 3.45pm

Wednesday 18th Oct 17

8.30am Monday 30th Oct 17 – 3.45pm Thursday 14th Dec 17

8.30am Thursday 4th Jan 18 – 3.45pm Friday 9th Feb 18

8.30am Monday 19th Feb – 3.45pm Friday 23rd March 18

8.30am Tuesday 17th April 18 – 3.45pm Friday 25th May 18

8.30am Monday 4th June 18 – 3.45pm Thursday 12th July 18

The Fee increase for September 2017 will be emailed under separate cover. We are sorry that there has to be an increase. May I remind anyone that is struggling to make ends meet in this difficult climate that there are Bursaries available. Anyone wishing to partake in this scheme needs to fill in a Bursary Form and reveal both parents financial situations.

This assistance for parents is from the Daughters of Divine Charity and not a subsidy from other parents. As most of you are aware none of the seven Sisters and Postulant are paid salaries.

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Doors open 6.15pm Eyes down 6.45pm

Thursday 8th June



8 game booklet £6
smaller books for children from £2
cash flyer £1 (adults only)

Guest caller - Swaffham Mayor
Cllr Paul Derby & Barry Bingo

Everyone & all ages welcome



Car park at back of school on Sporle
Road & signposts to Main School Hall

Sr Francis and Staff