



# Sacred Heart School

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Friends of Sacred Heart School

Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	11.30am – 4.10pm Netball County Finals at UEA
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	1.15pm – 3.00pm Playground Cycling for Years 5 – 6 for all those who have not attended a course in school before. <b>BIKES, HELMETS &amp; CONSENT FORMS NEEDED.</b> 7.00pm PTA Meeting – for those who cannot get there on time please still come as there is a lot to discuss
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Bentley Photography in school – Pupil and class photographs, staff photos also 3.45pm – 6.30pm U16 Hockey v KES at Lynnsport
Weds 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.30am – 5.30pm ISA Junior Swimming (Years 3 – 6 involved)
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	7.00pm Senior School Prizegiving in the gym, all are welcome
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	3.00pm Assembly Years 1 & 2 in the Barn Theatre. Parents & Friends welcome
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	‘Sugar for Shelters’ Christmas Collection of Donations from school 3.00pm Assembly Little Pedlars in the Barn Theatre. Parents & Friends welcome
Weds 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	3.45pm – 5.30pm U12 & U13 Netball v TGS. Home
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Swaffham Light Switch On, pupils performing 3.30pm 4.30pm – 6.30pm The Christmas Bazaar in the Sports Hall
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.15pm Lower School Carol Concert Pm Preparation for Christmas in the RC Church – all welcome 4.00pm – 6.00pm U14 Boys Basketball Tournament at KLA. Return to SHS at 6.30pm
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	3.00pm Lower School Assembly in the Gym.
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.00pm Senior School Christmas Concert
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Am - House Netball (Closed event) & Pm - Parties in the afternoon 4.00pm – 6.00pm U14 Girls Basketball Tournament at KLA. Return to SHS at 6.30pm
Weds 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas lunch 7.00pm Town Carol Concert – children’s tableau
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	3.45pm End of Term 4.00pm – 6.00pm U13 Boys Basketball Tournament at KLA. Return to SHS at 6.30pm
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7.00pm Dress Up for a Christmas 1940’s Themed PTA Party in the Sports Hall with The Strollers
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018	8.30am Return to school

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

Copper (10): Luke Bix, Darcey Bracken, Tallulah Bracken, Scarlett Clarke, Ryan Duarte, Maddison Flynn, Gabriel Huckstep, Olivia Knitter,

Lauren McKnight, George Milne, Ivo Pickard, Sophie Restall, Toby Rotchell, Summer Rudd, Ravon Valentine

**Samaritan’s Purse** - Pupils proudly pictured with their shoe boxes. It is a shame that everyone was not able to participate in this charitable event. In the spirit of Service before Self we asked that appropriate items be put in a shoebox. Contributions could have been made by neighbours and friends as I am sure that they would have been willing to help this good cause. Mrs Heale who organised the event with the Charities Prefect said that we had only contributed the same amount of boxes as last year and we are 50 more pupils. There is still a chance to Send in your ‘community box’.

Our motto for our school is Service before Self and we need to be reminded that we are indeed rich in comparison with so many. As a school we make a lot of asks for charity, but all our children are very privileged, so if you are not used to giving please remember that we are happier when giving than when receiving.



**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** We encourage all visitors, parents, pupils and staff to be extra vigilant when walking on school premises. We are fortunate to have mature trees on our grounds but the fallen leaves and damp conditions will make the surfaces slippery at this time of year. Particular care must be taken on the ramp in the field. We are doing our best to keep everyone safe.

**Cycling Proficiency** – We were very pleased to receive the follow correspondence from Tracey Lingfield at Norfolk Road Safety – we send her our thanks for her enthusiasm and encouragement: ‘I am pleased to say that all the children passed their practical and theory test (high scores of 13-15 out of 16) with Olivia getting full marks of 16/16.

The scores were:

Olivia – 16 (Full marks), Rebecca – 15, Sam – 13, Zak – 14, Archie – 15, Isaac – 15, Jack - 14

They were a delightful group of children, very polite and well-mannered and very supportive of each other It was lovely to see the improvements they made during the course, gaining confidence and learning new skills at each session.

They were great fun to teach and full of enthusiasm and cycle-related stories! They are a credit to your school. *Tracey Lingfield. Norfolk Road Safety.*



**Little Pedlars and Years 1 & 2 had a Road Safety puppet show with Bethany & Benjamin this morning, part of this is shown in the photograph above.**

**Playground Cycling for Years 5 – 6** on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> 1.15pm – 3.00pm will be for all those who have not attended a course in school before. **Consent forms have been sent home today and must be brought into school on Monday with bikes and helmets.** It may be easier for some parents to drop-off a bike at the weekend. If you do this, please ensure that they are fitted with a lock.

**In Year 11's PSHEE lessons we have been growing instant pets- Sea Monkeys.** They are instant pets which just require water; there have been two updates on twitter already. To see the progress go and follow the twitter page: [@Pupils\\_at\\_SHS](https://twitter.com/Pupils_at_SHS)

*Catherine Hazel, Year 11*

**The Bingo was a great success yesterday with many parents and a wonderful group of supporters from Swaffham.** The prizes were excellent, thanks to Mrs Allen's energy and hard work in seeking donations from local attractions and shops.

This is an excellent way to promote your own business so if you would like to give a voucher or offer of some services or auction prizes we would be truly grateful. There will be another Bingo at Easter and with extra prizes Mrs Allen may be persuaded to run a Summer Bingo. We made the awesome amount of £930 on this one, so we definitely need to do three a year. That is really amazing and just shows what one person can achieve with a lot of hard work.

**Sports Report** - On Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of November the U14 netball team played a match against Thetford Grammar. Well done to Demi for getting girl of the game.

On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> of November the U15 netball team played a match against Thetford Grammar. The end score was 15-13 to us. Well done to Lucy Skerry for getting girl of the game and thank you to Mrs

Calvert and Miss Wookey for organising and umpiring such successful matches. *Connie Wildbur Sports Prefect*

**Prizegiving** – Pupils who have been awarded prizes have been notified today. The choir has also been given an invitation to attend. We would like as many people as possible to come and congratulate last Year 11 when they receive their GCSE awards. Our special speaker this year is Dame Stella Rimington, Director of MI5 (1992 – 96). She is an inspirational speaker, and is a particular interest to young women as she was the 1<sup>st</sup> woman Head of a very male orientated organisation. She has some stirring stories to tell. She has written her story as well as other spy stories and would be willing to sign books that can be purchased in the night (or bring your own copies). All are welcome.

**As a school we always support the 'Sugar for Shelters' Christmas Sugar Collection** but have not yet received many donations – If you are able to donate sugar, tea, coffee, and biscuits to this charity please send donations on or before Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November. (Service before Self).

**Everyone will be sent home with a Christmas Bazaar flyer** that we ask be displayed near where you live / in your car / front room etc. and we would be very grateful to anyone who could volunteer to post flyers, through doors in their neighbourhood. If you are able to help please contact the school office.

**Christmas Bazaar Appeal** –this year will be held from 4.30pm – 6.30pm on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December in the Sports Hall. We would be very grateful if you would send in donations for the school hamper and, of course, bottles for the famous PTA bottle stall.

**Every child is expected to bring a bottle.**

(suggestions for the hamper special are listed below). Raffle tickets will be sent home shortly and we hope that each family will be able to sell three books, but, if you are able to sell more, please let us know!

The Grand Draw will take place at the Senior School Carol Concert on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

**PTA Christmas Party in the Sports Hall** with music from 'The Strollers' – Dressing up is encouraged; please come along and enjoy an evening with a 1940's theme. Tickets cost £10 for adults and £5 for children. This includes a buffet so please let us know of any specific dietary requirements when booking tickets.

**Urgent - Prize-Giving Trophies** – We are making preparations for this year's award ceremony and ask that you **please return any trophies** previously presented to your child as soon as possible.

**Strictly Beginners** – Ballroom & Latin Dance Classes for 6 weeks starting 6<sup>th</sup> November from 7.30 – 9.30pm. £12 pp pay-as-you-go or £55 for the full six weeks course. Call Jo on 01760 336410

**Nar Valley Ornithological Society (NarVOS) -** Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017, 7.30pm at the Barn Theatre. Please come along to this illustrated talk by Dr Moss Taylor, entitled:

Norfolk through the Lens of a Naturalist  
Retired Sheringham GP, Moss Taylor, is well known in Norfolk as a naturalist. He is an award winner for his contribution to Norfolk's wildlife. Moss has also written several books on birds. He has an irrepressible passion for the wildlife and, in particular, the birds of Norfolk, his adopted county. Visitors most welcome. Admission £2 on the night if you are not a NarVOS member. For more information about this meeting or NarVOS call Ian Black on 01760 724092.

**Henchmans in Swaffham are holding a 'Ticket To Ride' Celebration Evening on 18<sup>th</sup> November from 6.00pm.**

**Sr Francis and staff**

**Years 3 – 11 went to the War Memorial to pay their respects to the dead who gave their lives for us.**



**Remembrance Service** yesterday was enhanced by our choir. Both Junior and Senior choirs were excellent and sang out enthusiastically. Even the soloists could be heard with mics. Many people have said that this was our best performance. We are very proud of everyone.