



# Sacred Heart School

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Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15pm – 3.00pm U9 Netball v Glebe at home 3.00pm – 3.45pm U13 Netball v Glebe at home
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> March	BINGO. Doors open at 5.45pm – Eyes down 6.30pm
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> March	3.00pm Little Pedlars Assembly in the Barn Theatre. All Parents welcome
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am – 2.30pm Junior Music Festival, Norwich
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> March	5.00pm – 7.00pm Year 7 – 9 Parents Evening
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> March	5.15pm – 9.45pm Senior Music Festival , Norwich
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am – 5.00pm Music for Youth Festival, Springwood, Kings Lynn – Junior Choir
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> March	7.00pm PTA Meeting
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Years 8 (1 <sup>st</sup> dose) & 9 (2 <sup>nd</sup> dose) HPV Vaccination
Weds 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 11 Retreat to Wells 1.30pm U13 Boys Hockey & U9 Football v Glebe. Away
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	3.45pm End of Term
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Staff Inset Day Y10 & 11 Music / Art / PE lessons am
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> April	8.30am Summer Term begins
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> April	18.30 – 22.00 Barn Dance
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30pm – 9.30pm Quiz Night

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

Bronze (25): Year 8 - *Margaret*

Silver (50): Year 8 – *Sarah*

Turquoise (75): Year 9 – *Sienna, Isaac*

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

Silver (50): Year 7 – *Demi, Lucy*

Silver (50): Year 8 – *Lily, Jacob*

Silver (50): Year 9 – *Tom*

Turquoise (75): Year 8 - *Daisy*

Turquoise (75): Year 9 – *Emily, Leanna*

Gold (100): Year 7 - *Eliza*

Gold (100): Year 8 – *Sarah, Rebecca, Margaret*

Sapphire: (125): Year 8 - *Nancy, Charlotte*

### Smartie Tube Lenten collection boxes

Pupils from LP to Year 6 have been given a smartie tube in which to collect money for those in need. If and when small sacrifices are made this Lent then 5p's, 10p's, 20p's and a few 1p's should be posted into the box.

Please count the amount and make sure the child's name is on the box before handing it in to Form Teachers after the Easter Holidays. Pupils will be given their smarties when the boxes are returned. Thank you, Lower School Staff

The end of this week has been very interesting with a significant amount of snow and disruption to our daily lives. The children love the snow and fortunately the youngest pupils have all-in-one suits

which means that they can roll around in the snow and thoroughly enjoy themselves. They also brought snow and ice into the classroom so that they could explore their properties. I have never seen a lump of ice painted pink before.





Years 1 and 2 were nearly all in school and have worked hard on their numeracy and literacy skills as well as painting 'cold' pictures and making 'warm' snowmen. Year 3 – 6 have been engaged in a group project on a Snowpark.

On Thursday the children in our temporary class consisting of Year 3s to Year 6s were set the task of designing a winter theme park. They were divided into groups of 4 – choosing themselves who they wanted to work with – and given a large piece of sugar paper to present their ideas and designs on. It was lovely to see some groups choosing to work with children from other year groups and sibling pairs working together in relative harmony! In the afternoon the children were given time to rehearse and prepare to present their work to the rest of the class. The designs and verbal presentations were brilliant with the children showing a variety of skills and attributes. It was impossible to choose a single group winner and awards were therefore given out to all who took part. It was a lovely day and we all enjoyed seeing the children work so well together.

*Mr Smith, Sister Michaela and Miss Lewis.*

Best and most detailed presentation – Abigail, Ava, Bethany and Leo. We made lots of signs and added a lot of detail to our design. We also made a map that could be given to visitors to our Winter Wonderland Park.



Most eye-catching design plan – Isabelle, Matilda, Rosabel and Ruby. We had lots of different activities in our theme park, for example The Rolling Snow, which cost £2 for a child and £5 for an adult but is well worth the money, or the Ice Rink Park which is fun as you can hold onto little penguins as you skate! Well done to our group for making this brilliant theme park.



Most imaginative designs – Eric, Harry, Nicolas and Toby. Our theme park was called Snowy Jeffy Palace and all the rides and attractions are based around the Jeffy character. For example if you find the rare, Jeffy shoe that is in the claw machine in the arcade 5 times you will win a ticket to get on all the rides for free. There is also a huge model of Jeffy that is an ice slide with slides set at different heights for adults, children and toddlers.



Best working together attitude – Andy, Jack, Lily and Maddie. Our theme park has a restaurant with thousands of options on the menu and even kiddy meals. We have loads of fun rides for adults and children, we even have an arcade with some machines you can go on for free!



Best art work – Archie, Zachariah, Isaak and Zane. Our theme park had all you could ever dream in it for example, comfy toilets, Santa's Sleigh ride and a very scary rollercoaster. Teachers can get in for free! Well done to everyone in our group for their detailed and imaginative work.



Best turnaround from disaster – Alex, Archie, Fernando and Sam. We had a really great day! At the beginning everybody was tired and nothing was getting done, but after break we all tried our hardest and produced a brilliant script for our presentation to the rest of the class. We spent a lot of time on this script and at one point did not have much to show on our design paper but by the end we had filled our presentation sheet up with ideas.

Year 7 – 11 have been working together on one comment from Lily Y8 was that she was able to talk to different people. For the last 2 days the number of students at SHS decreased due to bad weather. One of the many activities I enjoyed was bench ball with Miss Wookey because we had a chance to be in teams with our friends. Bonnie Y10

It was a chance for the younger Seniors to get to know the older Seniors. Bronagh Y7. The Science experiments were exciting and fun. I enjoyed the bridge experiment set up by Mr Glenister. Our team won and was able to hold 1.9kg with 4 pieces of paper and 1m of tape. Tom Y9 Personally, I enjoyed the methane experiment. It involved Mr Murphy placing a mixture on his hand and me setting light to it. The result was spectacular. Thomas Y9. Thomas also performed the best Shakespearean monologue from the Merchant of Venice. He gave Shylock a Scottish accent and embellished the performance with his own style and additions – an excellent performance. Hot chocolate was a nice touch in the middle of the day. When it was cold outside it really warmed me up. Charlie Y11 and Daisy Y8 I really enjoyed these two days. My favourites were the hot chocolate, thanks to Sr Danuta, and the quizzes organised by Mrs Ahrenfelt. Sam Y8

### Marble Run



### Science of Combustion



## Quiz Time



## Treasure Island Rehearsal



## Community participation

On Shrove Tuesday Isaac and Harry from Year 7 represented the school in the Lion's Pancake Race against Businesses in the Town. They were not the fastest but participation is the most important thing.

Last Sunday three girls represented the school at the Rotary Young Musician of the Year Competition at Gresham's Benjamin Brittain state of the art Centre. There were 10 instrumentalists, among them Elizabeth Y11 on the flute, and Charlotte Y8 on the clarinet. They had stiff opposition from some excellent musicians, particularly a ten year old girl who played the cello with such gusto and skill as well as delivering the pieces off by heart, which was what the judges favoured. Emily Y11 was one of three vocalists and came runner-up and will go to Buckinghamshire for the regionals. All three girls gave of their best and deserve recognition for taking part in a very exacting competition - congratulations. The adjudicators were very strict and told each candidate the strengths of their performance but also their weaknesses couched in terms that would not be customary in today's schools. Thank you to Mrs Bygrave who was the accompanist for our girls.

**Y10 and 11 please note that as there are 3 Music / Art / PE lessons on Mondays and there will be a Bank Holiday Monday off then lessons will take**

place on the Staff INSET Day, on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April.

### PTA

**\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE \*\*\***

Date: Saturday 28th April 2018

Venue: Sports Hall, Sacred Heart School

Time: 18:30 – 10.00pm

Ticket: £15 per adult, £5.00 per child (under 3's Free).

Celebrate spring with family and school friends at a traditional Ceilidh! With a fantastic ceilidh band making the evening go with a swing, complete with it's own caller for all the dances.

A great night awaits to shake away the cobwebs ahead of the start of Easter!

Kilts welcome (knobbly knees optional!), please mention to friends and family, and help support the Sacred Heart PTA with some great ticket sales

**The Open Morning on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February was well attended** with a good number of visitors and current pupil guides to show them around. The feedback was excellent again; for example: "The children were a fabulous example of what the school is about." In addition, many of our students were mentioned by name in the questionnaires. Well done to Jack, Harriet, Cassandra, Lily, Sarah and Harry who were all specifically commended by the visitors! Thank you to all of the pupils, staff and parents who helped to support the event. *Mr. Murphy*

**The school has a policy of remaining open under all weathers.** Appropriate activities will be undertaken in age related groups. It is parents' responsibility to make the decision regarding safety to travel and collect children from school. Please do not attempt to travel if it is dangerous. Pupils will not ring home to be collected. We remain open so that parents can do their work, the country needs to keep running even when it snows. We will assume in snowy weather that if your child is not in that you have kept them at home. It would be wise to walk local children to school to make sure they are safe. Please email rather than phone to keep the lines open for emergencies. Please make sure all children have wellington boots suitable for outdoor wear as well as hats, scarves and gloves. They will also need shoes to change into in bad weather. Please note they ballet type pump shoes are NOT suitable for winter.

**Sr Francis and staff**