



# Sacred Heart School

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Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10.00am – 12 noon Open Day, pupils and parents help requested.
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	12.15am – 5.00pm Year 11 GCSE History to Norwich Playhouse 7.00pm PTA Meeting in Boarding House
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	No Kings Lynn Minibus for this week only
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Whole School Non-Uniform 'Green Day.' Donation £1 9.20am Years 1 & 2 Assembly. Parents welcome 3.45pm Half Term Consultation ends regarding proposed VA Catholic Primary School
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8.30am Spring Term begins

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

Star Awards Year 1 10 Stars Copper:

*Teo, Cody, Imogen, Erin, Eliza, Freddie, Ellie, Catherine, Phoebe, Jace*

Star Awards Year 2 10 Stars Copper:

*Poppy, Emmanuel, Charlotte F. Inara, Henry, Charlotte L, Alaina, Madison*

Star Awards Year 1 25 Stars Bronze:

*Teo, Cody, Imogen, Erin, Eliza, Freddie, Ellie, Catherine, Phoebe, Jace*

Star Awards Year 2 25 Stars Bronze:

*Poppy, Emmanuel, Charlotte F. Inara, Henry, Charlotte L, Alaina, Madison*

**The Gold Bar Awards this week were presented to Rosabel Year 4 being a great helper and Lucy Year 8, for her consistent contribution to the choir and always doing her best.**



### Congratulations to Alex, Year11 for achieving LAMDA Public Speaking Grade 6, Merit and Bronze Medal.

Some of the LAMDA students are pictured below with their certificates presented in assembly this week.





**Year 6** have been seeing how their pulse is affected by exercise as part of their work on animals including humans.



**Year 6** enjoyed cooking pizza this week.



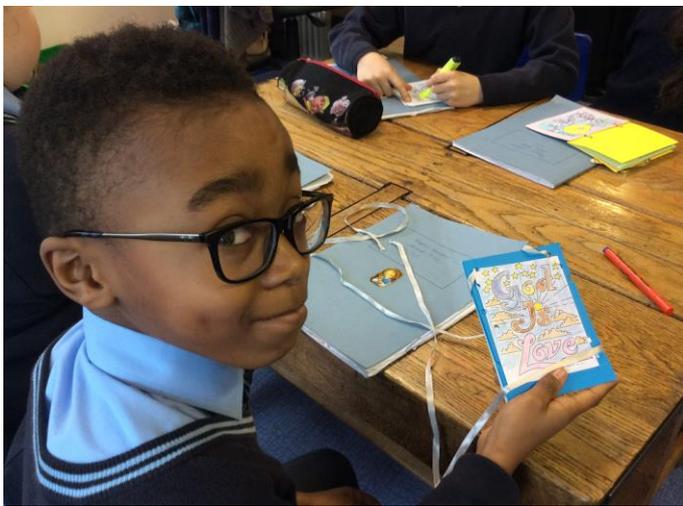
**On Friday Year 3** gave an informative and exciting assembly, linking the work we have done this term in Humanities: the Stone Age to the Iron Age with English which is about writing instructions. The idea was taken from the book "How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth."

We discovered that washing a mammoth would be a very difficult thing to do! A mammoth weighed up to 10 tons which means that it would fall through the bathroom floor and break the bath! It has two layers of fur for its coat! As we know, wool is notoriously tricky to clean. Year 3 have taken this challenge and decided to give a mammoth a good bath, using their step by step instructions.

With the Percy Parker song we showed that learning our five times tables can be interesting and enjoyable. Thank you to the parents and grandparents who came to join us! *Sr Michaela*



**Recently Year 5** has been reflecting on the words of Jesus. They made their own booklets with the words they found especially important, inspiring and touching. Among the most popular ones were: 'I am the Light of the World,' 'Peace I give you, my peace I leave you,' 'Treat others as you would like to be treated,' 'As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you,' 'Do not judge and you will not be judges,' and 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.' Well done Year 5. *Sr Danuta*



**Consultation Update** - The second consultation event regarding the new primary school was held on Wednesday evening and was attended by a number of current parents. Officers from the Diocese made a brief presentation and met with groups of parents to answer any questions. Parents expressed a huge desire for the new school to open and hoped that the values and ethos of Sacred Heart School would be retained at the new school. Whilst there have been more than 90 responses in support of the new school, the majority have these have been from members of the local community, not from parents. The Diocese urged those present to highlight the

consultation as much as possible, and particularly to fellow parents, as more support would strengthen their case for the new school. To reiterate, this part of the consultation closes next week on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> February and the Diocese will only progress to the next stage if they can see there is a lot of support for the new school. Norfolk County Council is expected to make a decision between end April.

*Helen Bates (Assistant Director, Roman Catholic Diocese of East Anglia)*

**Swaffham Town Council's response to the Consultation Document** - Further to receiving the details of the proposal to create a New Catholic Primary School at the Sacred Heart in Swaffham, the Town Council would very much like to support this application. The convent is an absolute asset to our Town and has contributed in so many ways to the great community spirit that we enjoy here in Swaffham. Participating in the Remembrance Day every year, with our major event around the Christmas Market and Christmas Light Switch On at the Town Carol Service, at Mayoral Events and on so many other occasions in the past. As well as the school taking part in town life the Convent building is in constant use for meetings, sports, dancing and fund raising.

The Town of Swaffham would miss the school were it not to be there anymore and we look on retaining it as a New Catholic Primary School most favourably. It has the infrastructure already in place and would make an extremely good primary school for many of our local children.

**The Open Day will be on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February between 10am – 12 noon.** This Open Day will be slightly different in that it will be catering for students only from the Lower School. As you may be aware the proposed V.A Catholic School will open in September 2019 and this will give parents and students from the surrounding area who wish to attend the new school to come and have a look around. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our existing parents and thank you for your continued support. All class teachers from Lower School will be available on the tour of the school. Children from Years 5 & 6 have been selected to show people around. The meeting will take place in the dining room where refreshments will be available. Hoping as many parents as possible can attend. *Mrs Henden*

**Sr Francis thanks all for the good wishes, prayers, cards and gifts from parents and pupils and is now well on the road to recovery. She is sorry that she has not been available but has the school, pupils, parents and staff in her thoughts and prayers.**

**A new minibus driver, Alison Fenton, has been appointed for the Kings Lynn bus** and will start on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February. We thank Albert Middleton, our esteemed minibus driving instructor and assessor for putting us in touch with Alison who comes highly recommended and has vast experience.

**The Half Term Holiday Challenge – Short Story in 500 words.**

Write an imaginative short story in exactly 500 words on any subject you like for either the BBC 500 words competition for pupils aged 6 – 13 years old or the Rotary Club competition open to all ages. The BBC competition has to be entered electronically via their website retaining a copy to bring into school after half term. The Rotary Club competition just needs to be bought into school in neat tidy format.

**Sugar for Shelters have sent the Staff and Pupils a certificate to thank us for the donation made before Christmas.**

**This half term we have been concentrating on raising money for the Priscilla Bacon Hospice in Norwich.** Hospices provide care, and support for people suffering with illnesses as well as providing support for their families. On Friday 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a non school uniform day, where we will be wearing the colour green. Green represents the colour of life, safety, and has great healing power. If you would like to take part, please bring in £1. On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> we will also be selling cupcakes at break time for the Little Pedlars up to Year 4. In addition, on Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> we will be selling hot chocolate for year 11 to year 5 for 70p each.  
Kind regards *Bonnie Charities Prefect*

**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 it safe.

**Netball in the Sports Hall  
Every Tuesday Night  
7pm – 8pm  
Term time only  
£3 per person**

**All ages and fitness levels welcome for a fun evening of practicing and playing netball. (Some haven't played for 20+ years and some play in leagues)**

**If you would like more information contact Leah 07484 785 401 or email leah.p.richardson@gmail.com**

**Churches Together Film Nights  
Held at the Sacred Heart School  
Barn, 7:00pm. on Fridays  
Films for 2019**

11th Jan. Inn of The Sixth Happiness  
25th Jan. - Heaven is For Real  
8th Feb. - Pope John Paul  
22nd Feb. - Miracles from Heaven  
8th March - Hacksaw Ridge  
22nd March - Mary Magdalene  
5th April - Risen.  
Refreshments - Suggested donation  
£1.50

**Sr Francis and staff**