

# JANUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

On behalf of the staff and governors, I would like wish everyone a Happy New Year. Thank you to the children for the way in which they have started the new year.

They children have returned to school and re-started the New Year very well, in terms of hard work and enthusiasm for school life.

Mr Eaton



## **COMING SOON....**

09/01/20 Year 4 Class Mass in Church 9.15am

12/01/20 Confirmation Mass in Church 10am

13/01/20 Visit of Bishop Paul to school

17/01/20 Year 6 Assembly 9.05am

22/01/20 Football v Hambleton at Poolfoot 4pm

24/01/20 Year 5 Assembly 9.05am

29/01/20 Football v R. Brook at Poolfoot 4pm

30/01/20 Wyre Athletics Finals 6-8pm

04/02/20 Class photographs

07/02/20 Year 4 Assembly 9.05am

12/2/20 Swimming Gala at Fleetwood 3.45-5.45pm

14/02/20 Year 3 Assembly 9.05am

14/02/20 Finish for half term 3.30pm

24/02/20 Return to school

28/02/20 Year 2 Assembly 9.05am

03/03/20 Aladdin Week

13/03/20 Year 1 Assembly 9.05am

17/03/20 Music Festival at the Opera House

20/03/20 Reception Assembly 9.05am

03/04/20 Close for Easter 1.30pm

## **INDOOR ATHLETICS**

Our children in the Athletics team are now preparing for the Regional Finals, held at Blackpool Sports Centre, on Thursday 30th January, with a place in the Lancashire Finals at stake!

## **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

Thank you to everyone, staff, children and parents, for their hard work in organising the school fair, which was a great success, making over £1000. The children also enjoyed the spin-off, Breakfast with Mrs Christmas!

## **CHRISTMAS CONCERTS**

We would like to express our thanks to the staff, children and parents who supported all of our Christmas performances– including the Infant Nativities, Music Concert and Junior Christmas Performance, and we appreciate the positive comments following the performances, especially as the hard work from our children and staff paid off!

## **MUSIC CONCERT**

Congratulations to the musicians who performed so well at the music concert, and to Year 3 for their Samba performance and Year 5 for their ukulele performance. We would also like to thank Mr Fox, Mr Smith, Mrs Hume, Mrs Shipway and Mrs Spence for supporting the children in school, in both the practices and lessons.

---

## **JANUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER**

### **NON-UNIFORM DAY**

Thank you for the donations for the Christmas via the non-uniform day, we appreciate your generosity.

### **ALADDIN!**

Thank you to all the children who auditioned for Aladdin, with over 100 children showing an interest in participating in our next show. Congratulations to the children shortlisted for acting parts, and there will be a role for every child in the show who auditioned. Rehearsals take place on Thursdays, after school (actors and dancers until 23/1/20 then all cast).

Thank you to the children for the commitment, and to Miss Darville, Mrs Wilson, Mrs Hewitt,

Mrs Urmston, Mrs Johnson, Mrs Ball and Isabella for their hard work in preparing the children.

The performance dates (in school) are as follows:

**-Tuesday 3rd March 6.00pm**

**-Wednesday 4th March 1.30pm**

**-Thursday 5th March 6.00pm**

### **BLACKPOOL MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Thank you to Mrs Rae for all her hard work, with support from several staff, as she prepares the children for the Blackpool Music Festival on Monday 18th March, at Blackpool Opera House.

### **CONFIRMATION MASS**

The Confirmation Mass will soon be celebrated, with the visit of Bishop Paul Swarbrick, on Sunday 12th January 2020, at 10am in Church. Bishop Paul will also be visiting school on Monday 13th January.

### **CAR PARK USE**

Thank you to the vast majority of parents and grandparents for helping us make the car park a safer place for everyone. **The use of the car park is prohibited, unless you arrive before 8am to drop off for Breakfast Club and after 5pm to collect from After School Club.** Thank you for your cooperation, as it is much appreciated.

### **MUSIC**

We are continuing with music tuition this year, and we have tutors available for clarinet, guitar, keyboard, flute or violin. If your child is interested in starting to learn to play an instrument, please see the school office.

### **FOOTBALL**

The second half of the football season starts with the next round of matches for the football team at Poolfoot Farm.

### **CARE HOME VISITS**

Thank you to Mrs Bowden and Mrs Johnson for taking the choir to local Care Homes to entertain the residents this Christmas. It was hugely significant for the residents and staff.

### **BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**

If you need childcare before or after school, please see the school office, or ring Mrs Porter direct on 07538924508. We have extended opening until 6pm. The cost of the morning session is £2.75 and the after school session is £5.50.

The Breakfast Club is open from 7.30am until school time, and children receive food and drinks at both the breakfast and after school clubs.

### **ABSENCES AND APPOINTMENTS**

In addition to no longer being allowed to authorise holiday absences, we are now expected to see evidence of appointments. If your child requires a medical appointment during school time. Please contact school before 9.30am if your child is absent, otherwise the absence could be deemed unauthorised.

### **REMINDERS**

Articles of jewellery are not allowed in school, as they could cause injury to the wearer or another person. **Earrings** have been a constant source of argument and injury in the past. The Local Authority bans them for P.E. and swimming. The Governors of this school have ruled that **no jewellery, other than a wrist watch, can be worn in school. Shoes must be worn as standard uniform. Nail varnish is also not be worn by children.**

### **LOST PROPERTY**

Please can all property and clothing belonging to your children have their names written or sewn in.

### **HAIR**

Please use plain hair bands and clips for children's hair. Fashion bows or headbands are not part of our school uniform. Please can long hair be tied back.

At Sacred Heart, Mohican hairstyles and shaved patterns into hair are not acceptable.

### **MEDICINES**

Please make sure that the medicines permission form has been completed if your child needs prescribed medicine in school. If you require a form (for prescribed medicines only), please contact the school office.

### **ADMISSIONS FOR FUTURE YEARS**

If you would like to add your child to the admissions list, please see the School Office, If you have a sibling of a child currently at Sacred Heart, it is still worth registering with us. We also hold registers of interest for 2021 and 2022.

### **MATHS CLINIC**

**Mr Eaton has continued the Maths Clinic to assist parents in supporting their children with Maths. Many of the subject areas in Maths are being taught earlier, and especially with the GCSE programme of study. If you would to talk about Maths, Mr Eaton is available from 8.30am on Tuesday mornings in the Da Vinci Building.**

## **SCHOOL CAR PARK**

Please could all parents refrain from using the school car park at all times. This includes when collecting children from clubs that finish at 4.30pm, as we do not have the space for all cars. This is to protect the safety of parents and children.

## **SCHOOL DRIVEWAY**

Please do not drive up the school drive at all during the beginning or end of the school days. Please can parents refrain from walking on the drive, as it is dangerous, potentially life-threatening and a poor example to children. We have a barriered pedestrian path suitable for everyone.

## **SCHOOL MEALS**

We are continuing to retain our school meal price at £1.65 per meal, which we will continue to keep for the foreseeable future, still the **lowest** of all the local schools. School requires two weeks notice if you change from school dinner to packed lunch or vice versa.

## **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

Please can you ensure that you have given school any change of contact details, particularly changing mobile phone numbers. Also, the more contacts listed for a child the easier it is to get in touch regarding your child, particularly in an emergency.

## **PARISH NEWS**

Father Peter will be announcing the dates for the Holy Communion programme shortly. Baptised Catholic children in Year 3 or older who have not yet taken their First Holy Communion will be welcome to take part. Please look out for the information at Church.



## **SCHOOL CLUBS**

Thank you to all the staff who have given up their time to start clubs for the children already this term.

Dance for infants (Mrs Rae) Mon 3.30-4.15pm Y1/2

Change4life: Fri 3.30pm—4.30pm Y1/2

Athletics (Wed 3.30pm-4.30pm Y4-6)

Wake up Shake Up (Mon/Wed/ Fri before school)

Music Festival rehearsals: Tue 3.30-4.30pm

Running: Friday lunchtimes

Girls' Football: Friday lunchtime

Aladdin Rehearsals: Thursday 3.30-4.30pm (actors and dancers until 23/1/20)