



Friday 22nd September - Newsletter 3 Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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First Holy Communion

Our Parish is now accepting applications for children to make their First Holy Communion in 2024.

Children who are in Year 3 or above qualify to be enrolled in the 2023/24 First Holy Communion programme.

Application forms are available to be collected from the parish office on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The deadline to submit the application is Sunday 15th October.

Remember that the First Holy Communion programme is organised by our Parish and not by the school. However, you will receive messages from the school about the programme as well as from the Parish.



FOSH MEETING

Thursday 5th October, 9:00 am

We will be having our first FOSH meeting of the year on Wednesday 5th October. Please come along after you have dropped your child(ren) off for the start of the school day. We are keen to reach out to as many parents/carers as possible and it would also be great to have representation from the many different backgrounds and cultures that make up our community.

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER, MR. LANE

This Sunday is the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time when we will learn in Matthew's Gospel the parable of the workers in the vineyard where Jesus teaches about God's generous mercy. Jesus tells the story of several men who were hired to work at a vineyard and were all paid the same amount no matter how many hours they had worked. Jesus explains that this is a little like the Kingdom of Heaven where some people spend their whole lives working for God and some people only turn to Him at the last minute. Although it mightn't seem fair it shows us that God opens Heaven to all the people who choose to love Him.



Next week is Little Way Week. The term 'Little Way Week' comes from St. Thérèse of Lisieux and her simple philosophy that through small, loving actions we can share God's love with the world. The children learn about St. Thérèse at school and are encouraged to follow her example by showing small acts of kindness every day.

It was lovely to see parents/carers at some of our parent/carer information sessions this week. I had the pleasure of joining the Year 5 parents/carers for their presentation where the class teachers went through a lot of information about the children's learning this year. Thank you to those who were able to attend and we look forward to seeing you at the information presentations next week.

This week I visited Year 2 to see how well the children in St Teresa and St John Paul were remembering our three school rules - READY/RESPECTFUL/SAFE. I gave out 10 (five per class) special Headteacher awards to children in these classes who regularly demonstrate these

important characteristics in their learning behaviour.

Well done to Sebastian, Charlie, Nayomi, Dollie and Alfie (St John Paul) and to Enoch, Harrison, Bemnet, Nefeli and Emilia (St Teresa).



We sent home important information this week asking you to not send nuts in your child's packed lunch. This is because we are a 'no nuts school' as we have children who have severe allergies and can react to nut particles in the air. This includes products such as Nutella/nut-based chocolate spread, nut butter, nut milk and cereal bars containing nuts. Your vigilance will help to keep all our children safe, thank you for your cooperation.

This week our staff joined colleagues from Islington's seven other Catholic schools to attend a special Mass at St Aloysius' College in Highgate. The Mass was celebrated by the Archbishop of Cardiff, Rev. George Stack, who is a past pupil of St Aloysius' College. Next year St. Aloysius will be admitting girls into Year 7 so please bear that in mind when visiting secondary schools this month and next. The Headteacher, Mrs. Paula Whyte, will be joining us for our meeting next week on Tuesday 26th September when she will speak to our Year 6 parents/carers. Year 5 parents/carers are welcome to attend too if they wish.

Information is included again on the next four pages about the School Streets programme. The Safer Streets Team at Islington Council have asked me to remind you that the traffic filter will launch this Monday 25th September.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mr. Lane

Sacred Heart School Street

Next steps and traffic filter update



Dear residents, businesses and visitors,

We previously contacted you in July 2023 to update you on our plans to introduce a School Street outside Sacred Heart Primary School. We are continuing to progress with our plans to create a greener and healthier environment at the school gate.

Over the summer, we widened the pavement outside the school gate, introduced seating and cycle parking. Planting will be introduced in October.

As part of the next phase of works, we're now going to be introducing a traffic filter as an 18-month trial. This will help reduce traffic outside the school gate, and will make it easier for all to walk, wheel and cycle.

Introducing a trial traffic filter

Traffic filters are restrictions in the street to prevent motor vehicles cutting through local streets. They improve air quality and encourage safer walking, wheeling and cycling.

From Monday, 25 September we will enforce the trial traffic filter on the junction of Georges Road with Eden Grove.

The filter will apply at all times. All addresses in the area will remain accessible by vehicle following the implementation of the traffic filter. We are not making changes to the direction of traffic.

Non-exempt vehicles driving through the filter will be identified by camera and issued a penalty charge notice of £65.00. Cycles, emergency services and exempt vehicles will be permitted to pass through the filter.

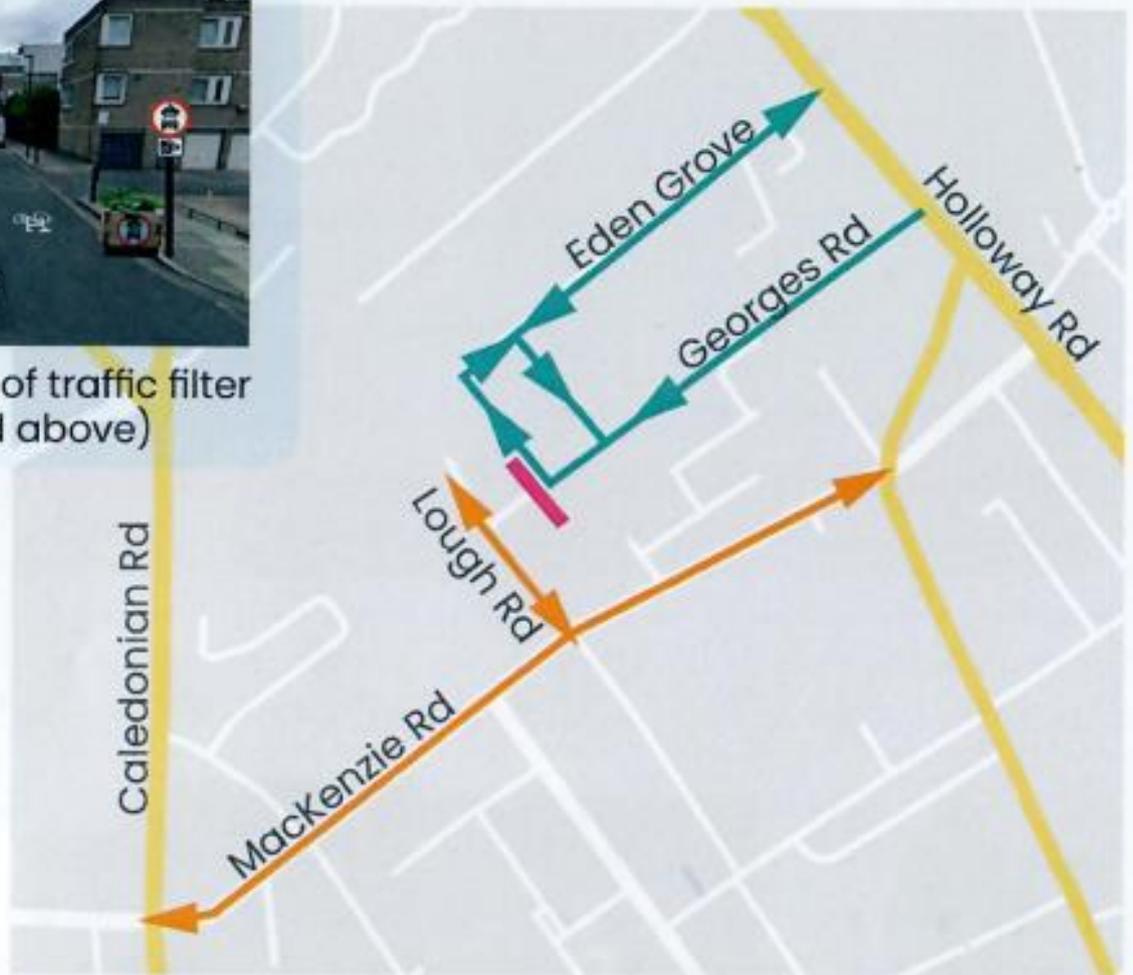
More information about the trial are on the next pages.

Blue Badge exemptions

Blue Badge holders living north of Mackenzie Road, to Caledonian Road to the west, Holloway Road to the east, and Hornsey Street to the north will be automatically exempt. You can email us at pfsbluebadge@islington.gov.uk if you are a Blue Badge holder in the defined area and have not received a letter notifying you of your exemption by Monday, 4 September.



— Location of traffic filter (pictured above)



Map showing new traffic filter and access to the area

The map shows the location of the trial traffic filter (pink line). Vehicles can access all addresses on Georges Road and Eden Grove from Holloway Road (blue lines). Vehicles will also be able to access all addresses on Lough Road and to drive to Piper Close and Watkinson Road via Lough Road (orange lines). However, vehicles will not be able to drive from Georges Road to MacKenzie Road via Lough Road or from Lough Road into Eden Grove. The filter will reduce through-traffic in the area, creating safer, quieter and cleaner streets around Sacred Heart Primary School.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Rowena Champion
Executive Member for Environment, Air Quality and Transport

Implementation by Experimental Traffic Order (ETO)

The traffic filter was introduced as an 18-month trial by an ETO. There is a six-month objection period from when the ETO came into force. A formal objection must be in writing and must state the grounds on which it is made. You can make an objection between 7 July 2023 and 6 January 2024 by email to environment@islington.gov.uk or by post to Environment, 1 Cottage Road, London, N7 8TP.

Please note that any formal objection submitted may become a public document and could be published.



Get in touch

To find out more about School Streets programme please visit:
www.islington.gov.uk/SchoolStreets

Do you need this information in another language or reading format such as Braille, large print, audio or Easy Read? Please contact us at SchoolStreets@islington.gov.uk or write to:
Environment, 1 Cottage Road, N7 8TP.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

We have a full schedule of class assemblies planned for this term to which parents/carers are warmly invited to attend. Please note the date of your child's class assembly so you can put this in your diary. All assemblies start at 9:45am.



Friday 29th September - Y4 St Catherine
Thursday 5th October - Y3 St martin
Friday 5th October - Y6 St Josephine
Thursday 12th October - Y2 St Teresa
Friday 13th October - Y5 St Faustina
Friday 20th October - Y4 St Elizabeth

HALF TERM

Thursday 9th November - Y6 St Maximilian
Thursday 16th November - Y1 St Francis
Friday 17th November - Y5 St benedict
Thursday 23rd November - Y3 St Bernadette
Friday 24th November - Y1 St Brigid
Friday 1st December - Y1 St john Paul



One child per class is awarded a VIP certificate in Friday's celebration assemblies, led by Mrs McCormick. They also get lunch on a specially decorated table with table service!

Child's Name	Key	Reason
Olivia St Francis	Huger to Achieve	Olivia is our VIP this week. She has shown extra effort and resilience in Maths and English this week
Poyraz St Brigid	Huger to Achieve	For working so hard and being responsible this week. He has taken on every challenge with ease and enthusiasm. He even helped to settle a new pupil into our class. Fantastic job Poyraz!
Nefeli St Teresa	Huger to Achieve	Nefeli for being a kind, positive role model to the class.
Jasmine St John Paul	The Power of Me	She has settled into our class super well and is continuously showing Ready, Respectful, Safe. She has shown 'The Power of Me' by trying her very best each day and always making good choices. Well done Jasmine and keep up the good work!
Ellie St Bernadette	Huger to Achieve	Our VIP this week goes to Ellie for always trying her best. She has shown a good understanding of the place value of numbers in maths this week.
Deborah St Martin	Huger to Achieve	Deborah showed 'Hunger to Achieve' in our writing lessons this week. She has written a great description of her own invented giant based on the story of 'The BFG', including lots of similes and expanded noun phrases.
St Catherine	Huger to Achieve	Alfie for 'Hunger to Achieve'. Alfie always shows 'ready' in lessons- he is an excellent role model to others!
George St Elizabeth	Huger to Achieve	This week George has been an absolute superstar; trying his hardest in all of his lessons and setting an excellent example with his choices. Keep up the good work George!
Meklit St Benedict	Huger to Achieve	Meklit has shown 'Hunger to Achieve'. Meklit has a positive attitude towards her learning and never gives up, even when it can be tricky. She is also a fantastic role model!
Ares St Faustian	Huger to Achieve	Ares has demonstrate 'Hunger to Achieve' this week. He has persevered in all of his lessons but especially PE and Maths where he's worked collaboratively with others and continued to challenge himself. Well done Ares, keep it up!
Jacob St Maximillian	The Power of Me	Jacob for me please for Power of Me. Well done for always contributing and sharing your ideas so enthusiastically. keep up the amazing effort!
Harry St Josephine	Safe and Responsible	A big well done to Harry who has proved himself to be a 'Safe and Responsible' Year 6 pupil. Harry is an excellent role model for others and has demonstrated maturity towards his learning. Keep up the hard work!

PARENT/CARER INFORMATION MEETINGS

There will be information meetings for parents/carers with their children's class teachers over the next two weeks. At these meetings you will find out what your child will be learning this year and how we can work together to ensure the very best outcomes for your children. These meetings will start at 9:00 am. The dates of the meetings are as follows:



Year 4: Monday 25th September, 9:00-9:20 am (Top Hall)

Year 3: Tuesday 26th September, 9:00-9:20 am (Top Hall)

Year 1: Wednesday 27th September, 9:00-9:20 am (Top Hall)

Year 2: Thursday 28th September, 9:00-9:20 am (Top Hall)

We look forward to seeing you there.

No nuts

Just to remind you we are a no nuts school as some children in our school have severe nut allergies and react to nut particles in the air. This includes nut products such as Nutella/nut-based chocolate spread, nut butter, nut milk and cereal bars containing nuts. Please ensure that if you are sending your child to school with a packed lunch it does not contain any nut produce.

PLEASE



**NO PEANUTS
OR
NUT PRODUCTS**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

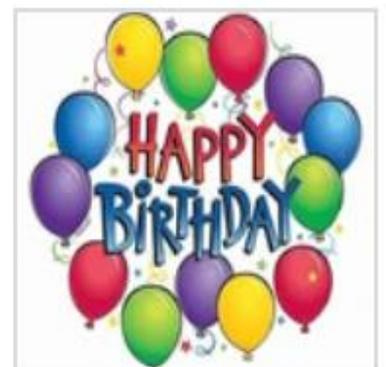
We wish the following pupils a very happy birthday for next week:

Myles (Reception), Natan (Year 3),

Terani (Year 1), Joshua (Year 3),

Aldana (Nursery), Phoebe (Year 5),

Amelio (Year 2), Archie (Reception)



THE WEDNESDAY WORD

Parents/carers are emailed the Wednesday Word every week. Please take time to read it with your child(ren). There are some lovely activities which you can do with your child(ren) and also link in with your child's Religious Education lessons in schools and with the liturgical year.

A Weekly Gift to you and your family from your Catholic School

THE WORD

SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL WITH PARENTS & FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus uses the images of workers and a vineyard to show us something about the kingdom of Heaven and God's generosity.

God's ways are not our ways. At first, it may appear unfair that the workers who started early were only paid the same as those who arrived later. But, on reflection, we see that not only was the Landowner being fair by paying what had been agreed, he was being overly generous through rewarding everyone equally (even those who came at the last hour).

Dom Henry Worsbrough

Wednesday 20th September 2023

God's generosity is unlimited and offered to each one of us. Pope Francis reminds us, "How generous is God, let us ask him for the grace of being generous too."

Find out more through enjoying a very special time together this evening, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **GENEROUS**.

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH
Sunday 24th September 2023

Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Then at various times throughout the day, even right up to the eleventh hour, the landowner hired and sent more workers into his vineyard. In the evening, he said to his manager, 'Call the workers and pay everyone one denarius each.' The ones who had worked all day grumbled at the landowner, complaining that he paid the men who came last the same amount as them. The landowner said, 'My friends, I am not being unjust to you. Did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?' Thus the last will be first, and the first, last."

Adapted from Matthew 20:1-16
The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

You are warmly invited to learn more about the Gospel through your local parish church.

"May we learn to be generous in giving; to love without limits."
Pope Francis

1 Our Special Time Together

Enjoy reading the Gospel together for below for younger children!

Jesus said to his friends: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who hired some workers in the morning and agreed to pay them a silver coin for a full day's work. Much later in the day he hired more workers to work on his land. Then, at the end of the day, he paid each person the same amount. Those who started in the morning were unhappy that those who started later were being paid the same. But the landowner said to them, 'I paid you what we agreed; so why be jealous just because I am generous?'"

Why were some workers jealous? Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? See the picture opposite. What does it make you think about?

2 Wednesday's Word is ...

GENEROUS

"Lord Jesus, teach me to be generous - to give and not to count the cost." *St Francis Xavier*

Ask your child what the word 'generous' means to them. Can they remember a time, at home, at school or in the community, when they were generous, when they let give something away without expecting anything in return? Who do they know who is a generous person - that is, someone who is willing to share and to put others' needs first? How does your child feel when someone is generous towards them and gives them first choice or shares a special treat with them?

3 Loving God & Each Other

"God is generous. He shows us all his love and encourages us to be generous." *Pope Francis*

Being generous brings us closer to God. God wants us to be generous and, just like the workers in the Gospel, it's never too late to start! We can be generous by sharing our possessions, but God also calls us to be generous with our time and our love. How can we be generous in this coming week? Perhaps we can: give some of our time to talk to someone in need; try especially hard to share with others; give any toys or unused items to a charity; offer to help someone - maybe a new classmate who has joined our school.

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for your generous love. Please help us to grow in generosity and to do your work in the world with a loving and generous heart. Amen.

WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH

SMARTSEARCHERS FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER ACROSS OR DOWN

HIRED WORKERS

PAID FAB

AGREED AMOUNT

GOD GENEROUS

SUPERSEARCHERS FIND THE WORDS BACKWARDS OR DIAGONALLY

Cross out the letters **ibc** in the jumbled words below to find 4 real words:

generbous jubstic schiebm labnidowcner

The _____ said to _____, " why be jealous _____ because I am _____ ?"

Search for at least three differences between this picture and the colour one. Then draw them in before colouring.

Write a promise and then draw a big smile on Smiley

This week I will try my best to...

WORD CONNECTING HOME, SCHOOL AND PARISH THROUGH SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

For more, see: wednesdayword.org and cbsaw.org.uk

Place2Be: Parenting Smart Course

Parenting Smart offers practical advice for parents and carers of children aged 5-11. All of the content is created by Place2Be's parenting experts. It's based on evidence and their experiences working with children, young people and their families.

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Open Evening - Tues 19th Sept 4-7pm

Open Mornings - Tues 10th Oct 9am and Wed 11th Oct 9am



Calling New Altar Servers

As the new school year starts, it would be great to restore our team of Altar Servers. If you have a son or a daughter aged 8 and above, who has made his or her First Holy Communion and who wishes to become an altar server, please contact Sacred Heart Parish at:

holloway@rcdow.org.uk or 02076073594.

There will be training during October. Date TBC.



SECONDARY TRANSFER MEETING

We look forward to seeing Year 6 parents/carers at our secondary transfer meeting on Tuesday 26th September at 6:00pm. A letter has already been emailed to you so please check to see that you have received it. We look forward to seeing you there, it is really important you attend as important information will be shared with you.

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Harvest Collection 2023



Thank you to everyone who has already given so generously for our Harvest Collection 23! As you will be aware, this year we are requesting cash donations in order to support The Passage, a charity founded in 1980 that runs London's largest voluntary sector day centre for homeless and vulnerable people.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, is Patron of this wonderful charity which has the vision of a society where street homelessness no longer exists and everyone has a place to call home.

This vision is inspired by the values and ethos from the teachings and example of St. Vincent De Paul, a Christian and social reformer who co-founded the Daughters of Charity in 1633. Vincent believed in action rather than words and in hands-on service to vulnerable people.

If you haven't made a donation yet, don't worry as we will be collecting cash donations until **Tuesday 26th September**. We know that times are hard but we're confident that you too would like a future where street homelessness is a thing of the past. Every penny collected will make a positive impact and will contribute to our overall donation that will be made in person on Wednesday 27th September when staff from The Passage will be visiting our school.

Next week, we will report how much money we raised in total!

Thank you in advance for your generosity and compassion.

And [Jesus] said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."



EYFS Phase News

Nursery: St Anthony & St Nicholas:

- This week we have been talking about our 3 school rules: Ready, Respectful and Safe. We are making a display for each classroom with a big number 3 to help us remember our school rules. We talked about some of the different ways we can show how we follow the school rules e.g., lining up to get ready to go to lunch and trying our best to use cutlery safely when we are eating.



Reception: St Peter:

This week St Peter have been establishing our class routines by taking homework home every night. We are also getting used to our morning routine of Finger Gym and our after lunch 5-minute exercise – “5 a day Fitness”! This week we have been moving like witches and wizards! We will practice a new 5-a-day exercise every week! We are really enjoying our time in Reception!



Reception: St Jude:

We have begun our new RE topic: “In the Beginning”. We have listened to the Genesis 1 Creation story and were inspired to create a huge story map of what God created on each day. We were so proud of it, we put it on display!



KS1 Phase News

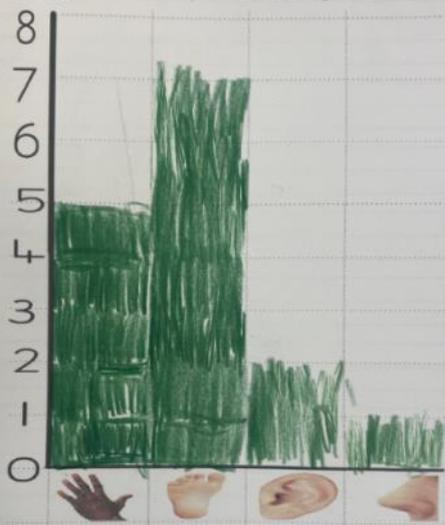
Year 1-St Brigid

In RE this week, we talked about the mission of the Catholic Church and how the community makes up the body of the Church. We discovered that the Pope is the head of the Catholic Church and he lives in the Vatican City inside Rome. We had so much fun drawing the people that make up the body of the Church.



Tuesday 19th September 2023

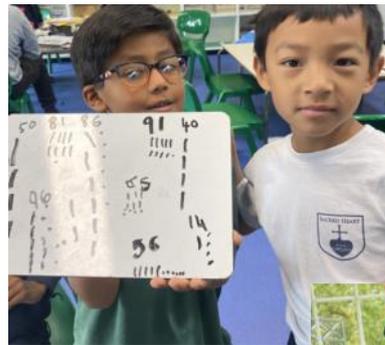
LO: To identify and compare parts of the body (Maths link).



EXT: Which body part is the biggest? How do you know?

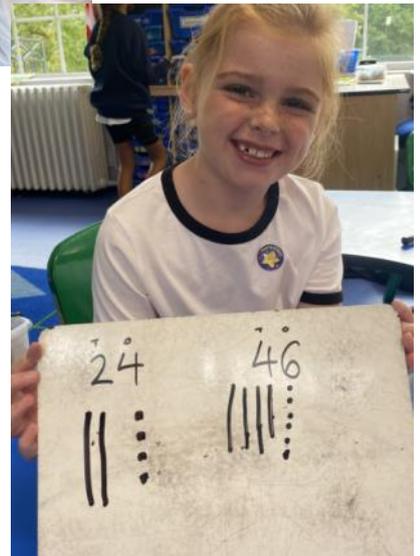
Year 1-St Francis

In Science, St Francis used cubes to measure different parts of their body. We then created graphs to show our results. Lacey worked very hard to create a clear and accurate bar chart. We discovered that our feet are bigger than our hands!



Year 2-St John Paul

This week in Year 2 we have been partitioning 2-digit numbers into 10s and 1s. We had fun working with our partners and challenging ourselves to partition numbers all the way up to 100! Ask us at home to show you how we do this.



Lower KS2 News

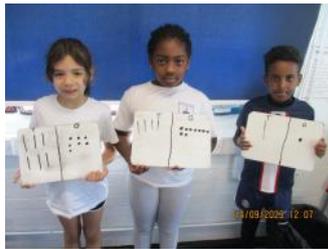
Year 3- Saint Bernadette



This week in Saint Bernadette we have been focusing on the place value of numbers and different ways that they can be represented. We have been exploring numbers from smallest to greatest with numerals and pictorial representations. Children were asked to write down multiples of 5 on their whiteboards and they had to order the numbers. They were able to work together as a team to communicate and get their times table correct.

Year 3– St Martin de Porres

This week in St Martin de Porres we have been strengthening our knowledge and understanding of the place value of two-digit numbers. We have partitioned numbers into tens and ones, as well as comparing and ordering numbers up to 100.



Year 4– St Catherine

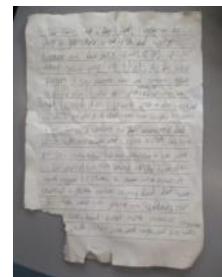
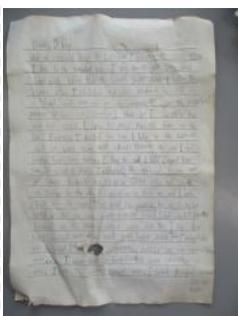
This week in St Catherine's class we have been putting ourselves in an ancient Roman's shoes and writing a diary from the perspective of a survivor of the eruption of Vesuvius.

We made sure to include possessive apostrophes, conjunctions and Y4 spelling words, as well as describing what that awful experience must have felt like. We particularly enjoyed tea-staining our paper to make it look like a real Roman relic!



Y4- St Elizabeth

In Y4 St Elizabeth we've also written some excellent diary entries! We pretended to be Tranio, from Ancient Pompeii, on the day when Mount Vesuvius erupted. In our writing we used the first person, 'chatty' language (like you're speaking to a friend!), fronted adverbials and conjunctions to join our ideas. Some of us had fantastic, imaginative ideas for our writing. Finally, we made our paper look old using cold tea and published our work on the browned paper.



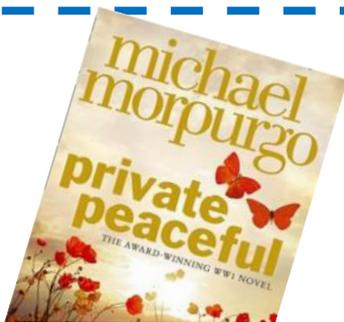
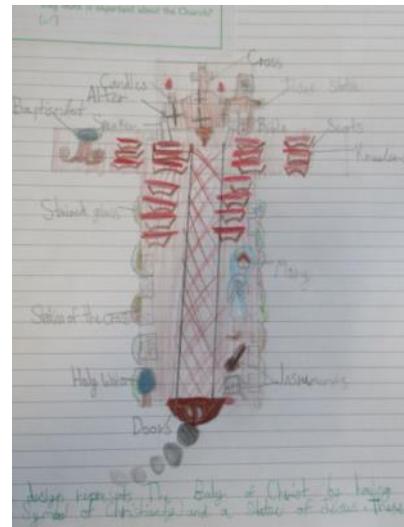
UKS2 Phase News

This week, Year 5 St Benedict class have been learning about place value. We have been using counters to represent numbers to 1,000,000 and writing our numerals in words. Year 5 have also been using a thesaurus this week to uplevel their writing and find some synonyms for some of their words.
Well done year 5!



This week, in Year 5 Saint Faustina, we have been developing our hockey skills. We focused on dodging, dribbling and shooting accurately as well as working collaboratively as a team. After our warm up, we broke into teams and played small matches. All teams worked brilliantly and showed excellent sportsmanship throughout the lesson.
Well done to all of Saint Faustina class!

This week in Year 6 Saint Maximilian class have been exploring the metaphor 'The Church is the Body of Christ' in RE. We spoke about what this meant and who makes up the 'Body of Christ'. Afterwards, we designed our own Churches and identified the things that were special to us and why we chose to have them in our own buildings.



dear diary

This week, Year 6 Saint Josephine class have been writing a series of diary entries inspired by our novel 'Private Peaceful'. They have all included the 5 senses, expanded noun phrases and abstract nouns in their writing. We are looking forward to sharing some of them with you when we perform our class assembly.

P.E. LESSON DAYS

Thank you for ensuring your child/ren attended school last year in their PE kit on their PE days. This will continue to be the arrangement moving forward. As a reminder, the PE uniform is:

- Standard white Sacred Heart PE top
- Blue Sacred Heart PE shorts
- Suitable trainers
- Plain grey or navy blue tracksuit bottoms



The children should not be wearing football kits or brightly coloured sports clothing. If your child does not have the correct PE kit, please ensure they do so as soon as possible. The uniform is sold at Rough Cut Casuals, [16 Chapel Market, London N1 9EZ](#).



There may have been some changes to your child's PE days from last year, so please look carefully at the below information:

The PE days are as follows:

Year 1 - Wednesday and Thursday

Year 2 - Tuesday and Friday

Year 3 - Thursday and Friday

Year 4 - Monday and Wednesday

Year 5 - Friday

Year 6 - Monday and Wednesday

Both Year 5 classes will be swimming for 2 weeks this term- more information to come.

Mrs Harney (Sharon) will send morning reminders on your child's PE days.

MEET THE STAFF AT SACRED HEART

What do you know about Miss Skinner?

Where were you born?

Islington, London

What is your favourite school memory?

Eating the delicious cakes at lunch time (old school sprinkle and caramel tray bake!) and making up dance routines with my friends!



What is your job at Sacred Heart and what do you do?

I am a class teacher and work in Year 5 (St. Benedict).



What is your favourite thing about Sacred Heart School?

That everyone is so welcoming and friendly!

What is your favourite food?

I am a foodie, so I love ALL food but if I must narrow it down, my favourite would be a Sunday roast.



What is your favourite sports team?

I support Arsenal!



What do you like to do when you are not at work?

I love to eat, travel, dance and spend time with my 3-year-old.

Tell us an interesting fact:

I am obsessed with pugs; I have a pug called Preston and I even had a duvet with pictures of pugs all over them once!



Walk and Talk

coffee morning



Please join us for our next 'Walk and Talk' on Wednesday 11th October straight after morning drop off. It will be a relaxed opportunity to grab a tea or coffee, walk and chat to other parents and carer's.

Buggies, babies and younger children are all welcome.

Please see Miss Le Fleming or Siobhan (Place2Be) if you have any questions



Do you think you're a

**class
act?**

If so, come and show us your talents...

You can sing a song, read a poem, play a tune on your own or with others, tell a joke, or perform a dance.

Whatever your talent, **Class Act** gives you the opportunity to stand up, shine and experience the joy of performing in front of an appreciative audience.

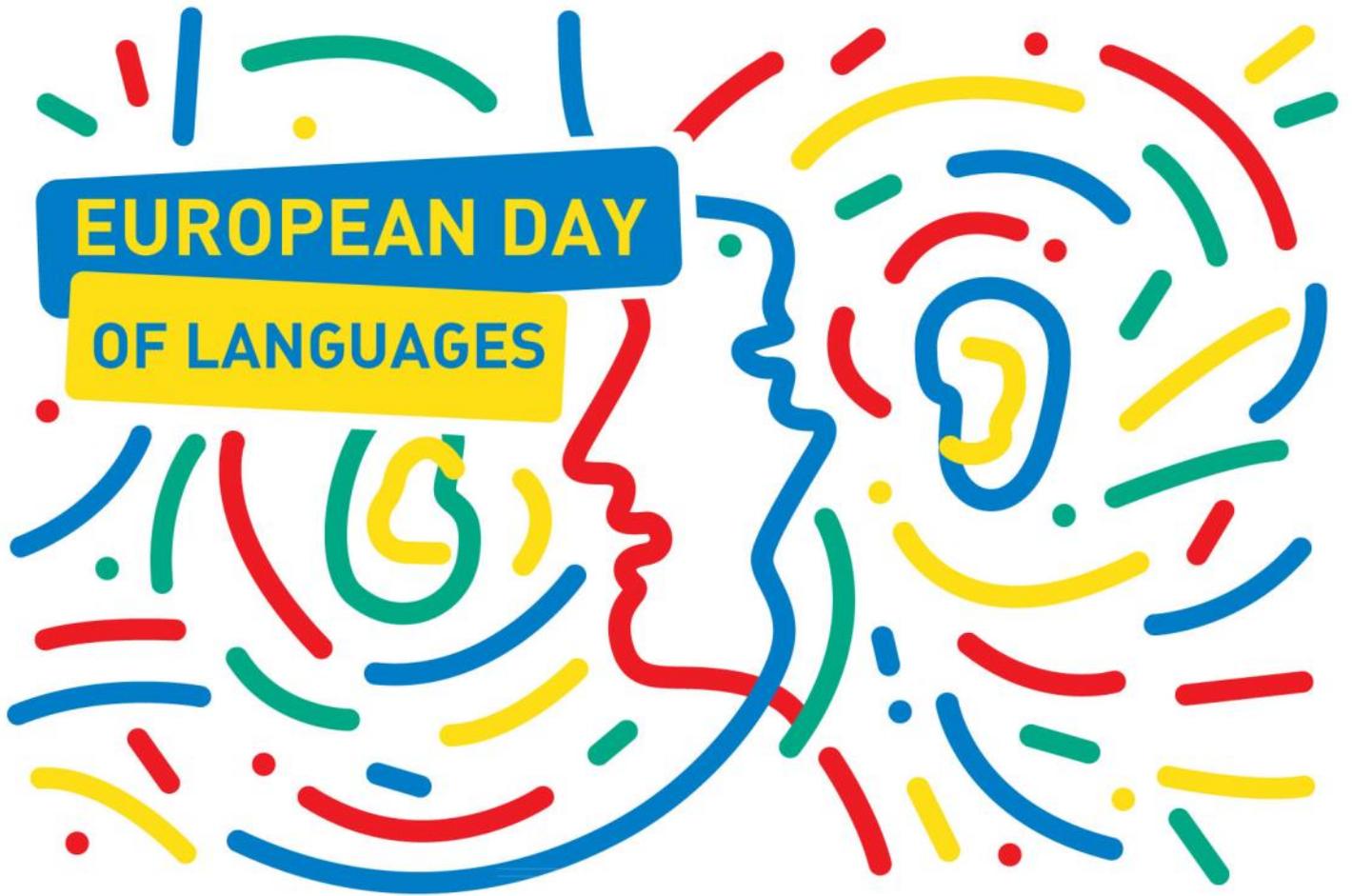
Class Act will take place at:

The Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

On:

19/10/23

**Sign up with your school receptionist today
and show us you're a class Act!**



Join us to celebrate European Day of Languages 2023.

We will be having a special Spanish lunch to celebrate the language taught in our school.

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Flu immunisation for pupils in school years Reception - Year 11

DEAR PARENT/CARER,

The flu vaccine is being offered at your child's school again this autumn/winter.

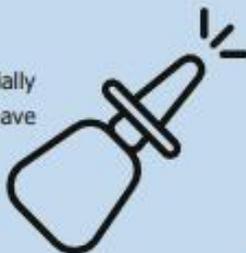
To give consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, please click here:

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/islington>

Even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, please complete the online form so that we can record your wishes.

THE NASAL FLU VACCINE

- ✓ Protects your child from the flu.
- ✓ Protects your family and friends from the flu (especially those who are elderly, young babies, or those who have serious health conditions).
- ✓ Is painless, quick and effective.
- ✓ Is free



THE IM FLU VACCINE



We also offer the flu vaccine as an injection, which is **gelatine-free**. This may also be the vaccine of choice for vegans. Please go to our website where you can find out more about the manufacturing of the flu injection, and then decide if the injection is more suited to your child.

You only need to complete one consent form for each child. If you later change your mind, please call your local team. If your child has this immunisation elsewhere after you have submitted the consent form, you MUST inform Vaccination UK rather than the school.

We understand that you may have questions about the vaccine. For more information, please go to our website, where you can find a list of FAQ's, as well as details of our community catch up clinics. We also have some FAQ's enclosed below.

You can also find informational videos on our YouTube channel, including subtitled versions for other languages.

Yours Faithfully,

Your Local Immunisation Team
Vaccination UK



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Contact Details



islington@v-uk.co.uk



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USEFUL INFO



We endeavour to come to your child's school twice. If they are absent or unable to be vaccinated at school, you will need to attend one of our community clinics for the vaccine. Details of these can be found on our website or you can contact the team above.



PLEASE NOTE the flu vaccine will NOT be available to otherwise healthy children after December 15th at all, and so we urge you to return the consent form as soon as possible in case we are not able to visit your child's schools for a second visit this year.



Your consent will remain in place for the entire flu season. If your child misses a first visit, you do not need to complete a second form.

USEFUL LINKS



www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu

www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk



PRIVACY POLICY

Our 2023/24 policy can be viewed here:

www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy

For data protection queries, please contact:

dpo@vaccinationuk.co.uk



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

*The consent form needs to be signed by a person with parental responsibility which includes:

- Mother: automatic
- Father: if married to the mother either when baby is born or marries subsequently
- Unmarried father: if name appears on birth certificate (since 1/12/03) or legally acquired
- Others: if parental responsibility is legally acquired
- Parental Responsibility Agreement: signed, properly witnessed and sent for registration to Principle Registry or the Family Division (High Court)
- Residence Order: granted by the Court

Please note that young people under the age of 16 can give or refuse consent if considered competent to do so by nursing staff.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Are there any side effects of the vaccine?

Possible side effects are: decreased appetite, headache, a runny or blocked nose, and sometimes a raised temperature. These are common, but they pass quickly and can be treated with paracetamol or ibuprofen if you feel your child needs it.

Are there any children who shouldn't have the nasal vaccine?

You should let us know if your child has any of the following:

- A very severe allergy to eggs, egg proteins, gentamicin or gelatine – it is important for us to know if your child has been admitted to hospital with a condition called anaphylaxis, triggered by these things.
- Are currently wheezy or have been wheezy in the past 72 hours with asthma. There is an alternative flu vaccine that we can talk to you about to ensure that your child is protected as soon as possible.
- Have a condition that severely weakens their immune system.

Also, children who have been vaccinated should avoid close contact with people with *very severely* weakened immune systems for around two weeks following vaccination (By severely weakened, we generally mean people who are isolating, such as those who have received some types of chemotherapy or people who have had a bone marrow transplant, for example). This is because there's an extremely remote chance that the vaccine virus may be passed to them.

Contact with other healthy children or adults does not need to be limited after having the vaccine.

We do not eat pork products.

Can my child have a different flu vaccine?

Yes. There is a flu vaccine available, in the form of an injection.

The nasal flu vaccine is the best vaccine for children and young people under 18 years of age as it is more effective at stopping the spread of flu and it is painless, but it does have a highly processed form of gelatine (porcine gelatine), which is used in a range of many essential medicines. The gelatine helps to keep the vaccine viruses stable so that the vaccine provides the best protection against flu.

If your faith or beliefs mean you would prefer a vaccine that has no pork (porcine gelatine) in it, please complete the consent for the flu injection only. You do not need to complete a form for both.

If your child is vegan, please note that the flu injection is a cell based vaccine. For more information, please see our FAQs page on our website:

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