



Friday 8th September - Newsletter 1

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WELCOME BACK

The staff were delighted to see the children return to school this week. While we are not surprised we have been very impressed with the positive

attitudes shown by our children since they returned this week. Next week our Reception and Nursery children start so good luck to these children and their families.

We welcome them to our school and community.



SOFT START

Remember that school starts at 9:00am and that children can arrive at school from 8:45am and go straight to their classrooms where members of staff will be to help them prepare for the school day.

The gates will be locked at 9:00am and children who arrive at school after this time will need to report to the front office and will be marked as late. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS OF STAFF



A special welcome to our new teachers who have joined our school this week. We welcome our three new teachers; Ms Okwong, Ms Cook and Miss Skinner. I know you will join me in welcoming them to Sacred Heart.

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER, MR. LANE

We have had a great start to the new term and hope that this will continue. It was lovely to talk to children about their summer holidays and find out what they got up to. It was also lovely to see how excited they were to be back at school with their friends in their new classes.

This Tuesday 5th September was the feast day of one of our class saints. It is the feast day of St. Teresa of Calcutta which is the name of one of our Year 2 classes whose teacher is Miss Walker. Saint Teresa was also known as Mother Teresa. Mother Teresa was born in 1910 and died on 5th September 1997; she is a modern saint. She was an Albanian-Indian Roman Catholic nun and lived most of her life in India. During her lifetime she devoted herself and dedicated her life to caring for the destitute and dying in the slums of Calcutta. She won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979 and was canonised a Saint on 4th September 2016, the day before her feast day.



We have a very exciting curriculum planned this year which will feature prominently in our weekly newsletters. From next week you will continue to see a contribution from each class in the weekly phase news section. Our curriculum will also, once again, include workshops in school, celebration days, educational visits and enrichment activities. All of these add to your child's learning and experience of school. Information sessions for parents/carers will take place over the next few weeks; further information will be emailed to you and is included in the newsletter.

You will have seen in the news that some schools had to close or partially close this week because of issues and/or concerns with RAAC which stands for Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete. A survey carried out in February this year confirmed that our school doesn't have RAAC in either the main building or in SMMA.

Children in Years 1-6 need to continue to come to school in their PE kits when it is their PE day. Information about your child's PE day has been emailed to you and is included later in the newsletter.

Today your child will have brought home a leaflet called 'Sacred Heart School Street' which explains the next steps following the consultation that took place earlier this year. The leaflet is also included on the next four pages of the newsletter. Further information about this is also available on Islington Council's website - www.islington.gov.uk/roads/people-friendly-streets/school-streets

Have a lovely weekend.

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.

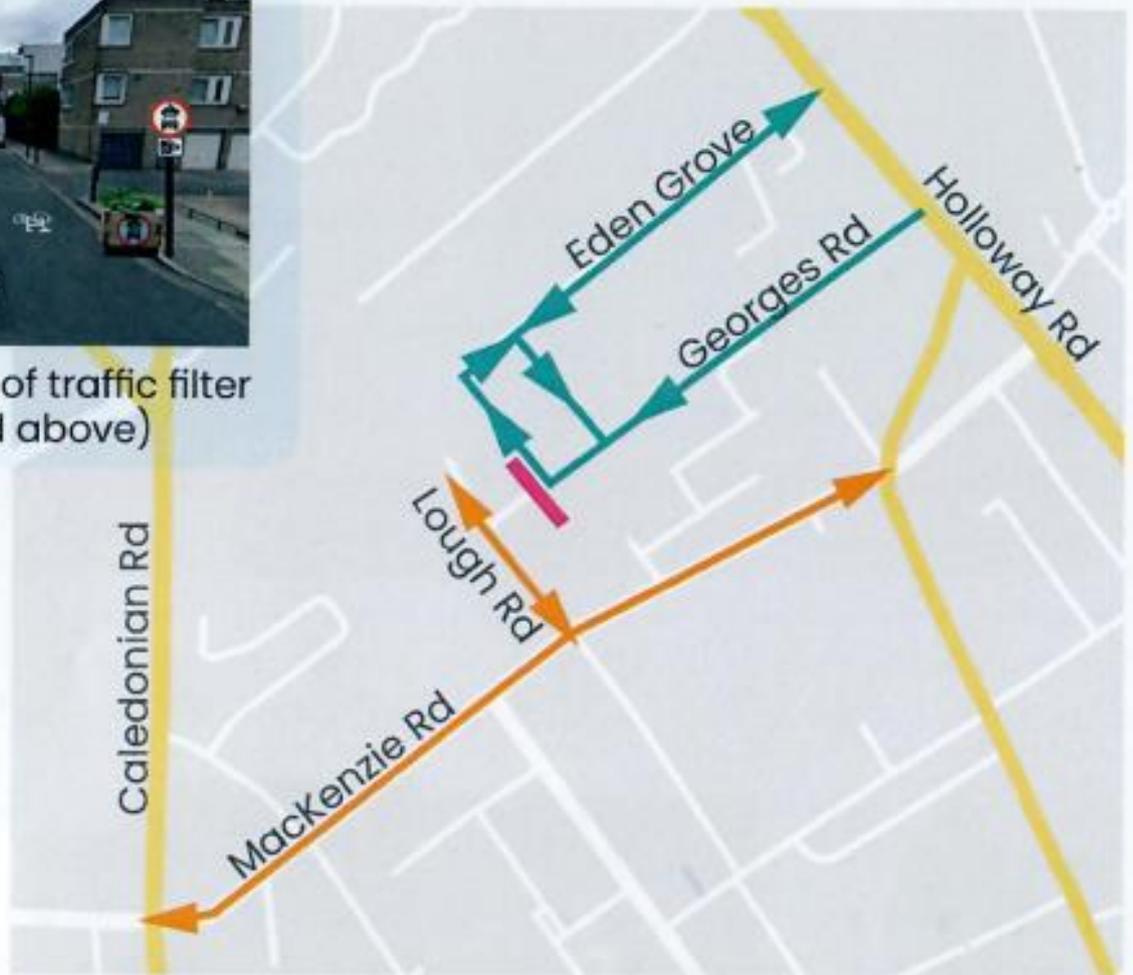
More information about the trial are on the next pages.

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.



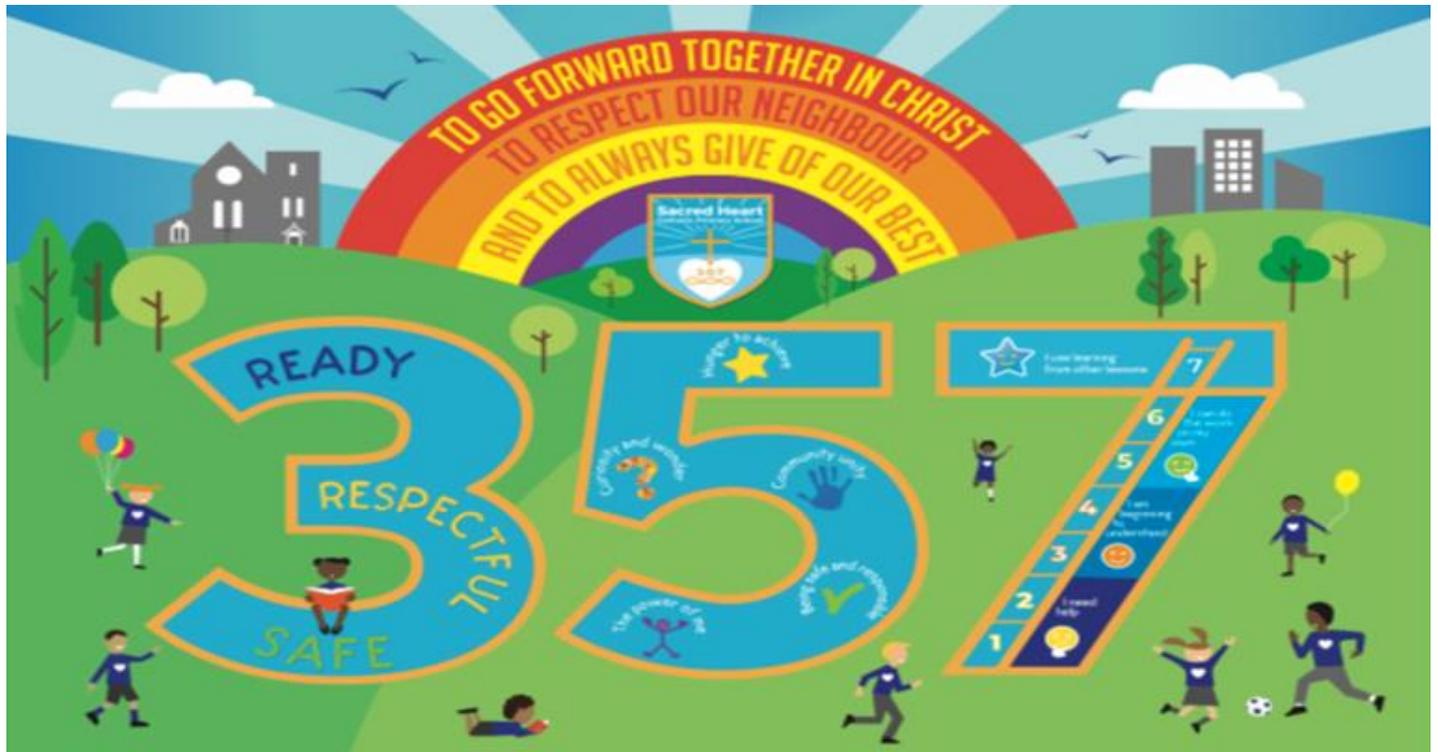
Get in touch

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.

'3-5-7'

This week our children learned about our school Mission Statement and about '3-5-7' and why these are so important in our school. The poster below is on display around the school including in every classroom. The '3' refers to our three school rules, the '5' refers to our 5 keys and the '7' is our 7 steps for learning.



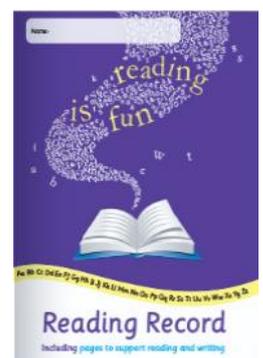
NEW CHILDREN STARTING SOON

We are looking forward to welcoming our new children, parents/carers and families over the next few weeks. Children in Reception start next week and children in Nursery over the next few weeks. Information for parents/carers of children starting in Nursery and Reception this September is available on the school website in the Parents Section. This includes short messages from the teachers.

Years 1-6 Reading Records and Homework

Reading records for Years 1-6 will be sent home daily from today. It is really important that you read with your child daily, checking their fluency and asking them questions about the book they are reading. Please sign the reading record daily to inform the teacher that you have read with your child/your child has read.

Homework will begin on Friday 15th September. Please look out for further information on this from your child's class teacher.



OUR CLASS NAMES

You are probably aware that all 16 of our classes are called after a Saint. The Feast Day of one of our Saints, St Teresa of Calcutta, was on Tuesday 5th September. St Teresa is a modern-day Saint. I wonder if you can find out anything else about St Teresa of Calcutta and the reasons why she became a Saint?

<p>St. Anthony of Padua</p>  <p>Nursery</p>	<p>St. Nicholas</p>  <p>Nursery Mrs O'Mahoney</p>	<p>St. Peter</p>  <p>Reception Miss Palmer</p>	<p>St. Jude</p>  <p>Reception Miss Barker</p>
<p>St. Brigid</p>  <p>Year One Ms. Okwong</p>	<p>St. Francis of Assisi</p>  <p>Year One Miss Huddart and Ms. Cook</p>	<p>St. John Paul</p>  <p>Year Two Miss James</p>	<p>St. Teresa of Calcutta</p>  <p>Year Two Miss Walker</p>
<p>St. Martin De Porres</p>  <p>Year Three Miss Smith</p>	<p>St. Bernadette</p>  <p>Year Three Mrs Price</p>	<p>St. Catherine of Alexandria</p>  <p>Year Four Miss Jeffrey</p>	<p>St. Elizabeth of Hungary</p>  <p>Year Four Miss Deamer</p>
<p>St. Benedict the Moor</p>  <p>Year Five Miss Skinner</p>	<p>St. Faustian of Kowalski</p>  <p>Year Six Miss Farci</p>	<p>St. Maximillian Kobe</p>  <p>Year Six Miss Warner</p>	<p>St. Josephine Bakhita</p>  <p>Year Six Miss Spurgeon</p>

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.

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 6: Wednesday 20th September, 9:00-9:20 am (SMMA)

Year 5: Thursday 21st September, 9:00-9:20 am (SMMA)

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.

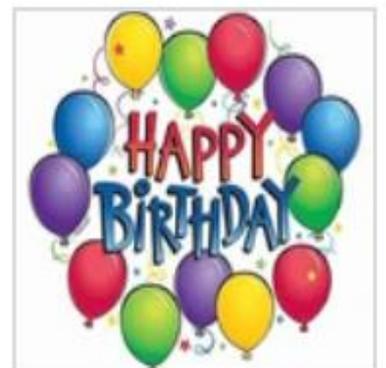
EDUCATIONAL VISITS - SCHOOL TRIPS

This week, your child will have brought home a letter asking you to give permission for all educational visits this term. By signing this letter you will be giving your child permission to attend all trips organised by the school with needing to send back signed permission each time. You will still receive notification of each trip in advance which will give you the option to 'opt out' if you wish.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

Shiloh (Y2), Birmadu (Y1), Teddy (Reception), Isabelle (Y6), Ela (Y5), Mason (Y6), Evie-May (Y2), Joshua (Y3), Giuseppe (Y3), Albie (Y5), Nefeli (Y2)



Online safety and the 3 C's!

The NSPCC is calling the internet the Wild West! We want you to be aware of the potential dangers for families. When using the internet always be aware of the 3 C's 'Content, Contact and Conduct'. In addition, commerce is also a concern with in-app purchases and advertising. These risks often lead to games and apps having a recommended age rating, please encourage children to keep to these so they stay safe.

Next week, we will be distributing our Acceptable Use Policies to all Key Stage 1 and 2 children as part of our commitment to keeping your children safe online, both at home and in school. For parental guidance and support please check out this site: <https://saferinternet.org.uk>. For more information about the 3 C's see the image below or check out our website.

Online Risks - The 3 C's

The internet is a fantastic resource that enables our children to socialise, learn and experience lots of different things but there are many risks that run across all platforms and devices. It is important to know about these risks so we can keep our children as safe as possible. Online safety risks can be sorted into the following 3 C's



CONTENT

Children can be at risk of viewing or hearing inappropriate material -> *check what they are viewing.*



CONTACT

Children can be subjected to harmful interaction with other internet users -> *check who they are talking to.*



CONDUCT

A child's personal online behaviour can increase the likelihood of, or cause, harm to themselves or others -> *check what they are posting.*



Class teachers are here to listen if you have any questions or concerns about your child's internet activities.

SAFETY TOOLS

- ♦ Online rules and boundaries
- ♦ Parental controls
- ♦ Age ratings
- ♦ Privacy Settings
- ♦ Blocking Facility
- ♦ Reporting Facility



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.

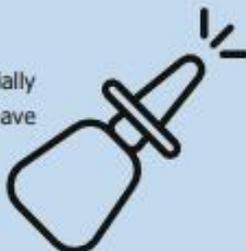
To give consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, please click here:

<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



ISLINGTON

Immunisation Team
Contact Details



islington@v-uk.co.uk



0208 017 7926

WORKING ON BEHALF OF

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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:

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu>



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COLLEGE



OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 19 September
Join us from 5.30pm
Headteacher's speech at 7pm

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THE WORLD ALIGHT

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Greater London EN1 4NP

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to get your
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SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

2023–2024 DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2023		TOTAL DAYS
<i>Monday 4th September 2023 – Friday 22nd December 2023</i>		75
Start Date	Monday 4 th September 2023	
Finish Date	Friday 22 nd December 2023	
INSET DAY(S)	Monday 4 th September 2023 Friday 22 nd December 2023	
Children return to school	Tuesday 5 th September 2023	
HALF TERM (Mon – Fri)	23 rd - 27 th October 2023	
Last day of term for children	Thursday 21 st December 2023	
Last day of term	Friday 22 nd December 2023	

SPRING TERM 2024		TOTAL DAYS
<i>Monday 8th January 2024 – Thursday 28th March 2024</i>		54
Start Date	Monday 8 th January 2024	
Finish Date	Thursday 28 th March 2024	
INSET DAY	Monday 19 th February 2024	
Children return to school	Monday 8 th January 2024	
HALF TERM (Mon – Fri)	12 th – 16 th February 2024	
Last day of term for children	Thursday 28 th March 2024	
Last day of term	Thursday 28 th March 2024	

<i>Good Friday (Bank Holiday)</i>	<i>Friday 29th March 2024</i>
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	<i>Sunday 31st March 2024</i>
<i>Easter Monday (Bank Holiday)</i>	<i>Monday 1st April 2024</i>

SUMMER TERM 2024		TOTAL DAYS
<i>Monday 15th April 2024 – Tuesday 23rd July 2024</i>		66
Start Date	Monday 15 th April 2024	
Finish Date	Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	
INSET DAY(S)	Monday 22 nd July 2024 Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	
Children return to school	Monday 15 th April 2024	
May Bank Holiday	Monday 6 th May 2024	
HALF TERM (Mon – Fri)	27 th – 31 st May 2024	
Last day of term for children	Friday 19 th July 2024	
Last day of term	Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	

TOTAL DAYS	75 + 54 + 66	195
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INSET DAYS (5)	
1	Monday 4 th September 2023
2	Friday 22 nd December 2023
3	Monday 19 th February 2024
4	Monday 22 nd July 2024
5	Tuesday 23 rd July 2024