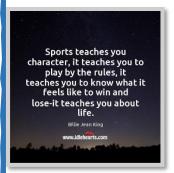


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Dear parents, children, staff and parishioners,



Since our return at the beginning of January, we have really been ramping up the variety of sporting opportunities we provide to our children. Sport has been something that has been high on our school improvement agenda here at Sacred Heart over the past few years, due to the positive impact it can have on both children's physical and mental health. We have also been keen to introduce sports in a way that focus on the sporting values accompanying them. Mrs Newman and Mr Spencer, (our PE Team), use sporting values with children being recognised for their achievements against these values throughout their lessons. As a result, we have a lot of our children more openly striving to achieve awards based on teamwork, passion, respect and self-belief and adapting their style of play and relationships with others to ensure that these values are achieved. We recognise that these key sporting values do not only exist on the courts and pitches of the world, but that we need our children to hold these values dear within their daily lives and through their relationships with others too; and, that by focussing on character formation and development through sport, we can ensure that, as a school, we have done all we can to try and develop children who have a secure moral compass and who are ready to take up their place in the wider world and who contribute positively to society in a way that God intendend them to do so.

Workers of the Week

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Washington L	Colm M Noel Daniel P- D	Elden T Viktoriga G	Ivo D Filip W	Timur R Stiofan McK	Jan K Lyla H	Maisie R Karolina G	Valentine I Amelia G
PE Days — New days for Spring 1							
N/A	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Wednesday	Tuesday Friday	Monday Tuesday	Thursday
Attendance: 92.6% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
92%	86.9%	90.8%	92.7%	92.8%	96.4% 😊	90.2%	98.1%
House Point Winner		Rafael - 150 points 🍪 (Overall winning house - Michelangelo House – 1207 points)					
Class Attendance Winner			6M Mrs O'Malley				



<u>Harefield Road Closure</u>

Father Tony has informed me that Harefield Road will be closed from 27th January for 11 days from 8am to 5pm. Please consider your journey and allow extra time to drop off your children and park your cars. This will affect parents parking in the church car park to deliver/collect your children.

We have had another complaint from a resident on Dronefield Road, telling me that a parent left their car in the middle of the road to drop their children off....please can I ask you to think about where you leave your car...this is not acceptable and creates anger and resentment against our school.

Faith Focus



Over the next few weeks, the whole school will be taking part in Faith Focus in which children explore other Faiths and learn about their beliefs, rituals and customs. It will also be a lovely opportunity to celebrate some of the different Faiths and appreciate the cultural diversity that we have within our school community.

The following Year Groups will be increasing their awareness of the following Faiths:

Reception and Year 6 ~ Sikhism / Year 4~ Hinduism Year 1 and Year 5 ~ Islam Year 2 ~ Buddhism / Year 3 ~ Judaism

To make the week as interactive and as insightful as possible, we are looking for some volunteers to come in and work with our children. This could be to partake in a questions and answer session about your faith, lead an activity with the children that relates to a celebration within your culture or offer some expertise and assist in delivering some of the knowledge based lessons with the children.

If you, or another member of your family, feel that you would be able to contribute to this exciting week in any way, please do get in contact with us by emailing h.aldrich@romeromac.com. We would be grateful for any time that you could offer and any help that you could provide. We are very much looking forward to increasing the children's awareness of other Faiths and allowing some of our own children to share and celebrate their Faith with others.

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OPAL - We Need Your Help

Each week, we're getting closer to the launch of our OPAL project, which will improve the play opportunities for all our children at Sacred Heart. We're in the process of renovating the school site with lots of incredible play opportunities and we need your help! At the moment, we're looking for donations of the following items or help in volunteering your time to support us with the renovations. If you have any of the following items that you could donate, please bring them into the school office for smaller items or contact Mrs Newman to arrange donation of the larger items (s.newman@romeromac.com)

We need:

- sand (lots of it to make a huge sand pit)
- tarpaulin
- wooden stumps (like tree stumps that the kids could sit on)
- hardcore
- any unused items that could be used in a construction play area (cones, signs, any hi-vis clothing, helmets, crates etc...)
- any unused items that could be used in a mud kitchen (old pots, pans, utensils etc...)
- bricks we need to create a pond area, we need to source the materials and someone handy to build it
- plants that can be planted in tyre planters
- wellies from small kids up to adult size 7

If you want to see what we're aiming for our playtimes to be like, please watch this video Amazing Primary Playtime at St Michael's OPAL Platinum School - YouTube



Holocaust Memorial

On Wednesday, Year 6 were fortunate enough to share a zoom meeting with Eve Kugler — a survivor of the Holocaust. Eve talked about her experience of being a Jew in Nazi Germany and gave details about the treatment of Jews during this time. Eve and her siblings were fortunate enough to escape Germany and flee to France and then during the German invasion, on to America. The children had the opportunity to ask Eve questions about her experience. The children were wonderful and had prepared some really thoughtful questions.

Swimming Team Assemble!

Our Swimming Team are preparing for their first event which is the Catholic School's Swimming Gala — one of the biggest events in our Sporting Calendar. On Tuesday, we will be heading to Pingles Leisure Centre with our friends from St Gregory's for one final practice swim ahead of the event. Children will practice their event and get to grips with the distances needing to be swam. The Gala will then take place on the 11th February. Go Team Sacred Heart!!



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<u>Cardinal Wiseman Ofsted Visit 30 November - 1 December 2021</u>

We are delighted to share the Ofsted report from our recent visit led by Her Majesty's Inspector of schools, Jane Spilsbury. Ofsted judged our school to be 'Good' in all areas. Jane was accompanied by a team of four Ofsted inspectors including two serving Headteachers (Dr Peter Kent and Philip Hamilton OBE). The report is available online here.

We feel that this report captures the true experience of our students who come to our school every day to learn, to achieve, to be happy, to be challenged, and to be supported in all areas of their lives. It reflects our school beautifully; it is 'a happy place to be' and a place where there is a commitment to 'inclusion for all'.

We offer our thanks to pupils. parents, carers, staff, governors, and all associated with our school, both past and present, who have helped us to reach this wonderful milestone.

Mr M Everett, Principal Cardinal Wiseman and Mrs H Quinn, CSEL/ CEO, The Romero Catholic Academy

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HAVE YOU GOT UNWANTED WELLIES?



Sacred Heart's Wellie Drive

All Sizes Needed

Drop off your donations at Sacred Heart's Office Brays Lane - CV2 4DW



We're starting a new play project that will allow our children to play outside across our whole school site, all year round.

With the typical wet English weather, wellies will become a staple part of our school uniform. To ensure that all our children can fully participate, we're collating a wellie library.

CAN YOU HELP US?

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Celebrate Chinese New Year with Us!

In order to celebrate Chinese New Year, on Tuesday 1st February, we will be hosting a special lunch menu for the day! If your child would like to select this option on Tuesday, they need to inform their teacher during registration. Remember, children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Infant free school meals. Key Stage Two meals can be paid for via your child's Arbor account at a charge of £2.25.

As our themed menus are proving popular with the children, we will be looking to run more of these throughout the year. We will be conducting pupil voice soon to gather some feedback from the children regarding meal choices, and any changes they would like to see made to our catering offer in the future.

Spelling Shed and Timestables Rockstars

Spelling Shed	Queen Bees for this week are:	Times Tables R	
Class 1C	Leonard K	Our top Rockstur	3 ure.
Class 1D	Elisha A		
Class 2E	Lisa A	Class 2E	Nael K
Class 2F	Matthew R	Class 2F	Ikechukwu E
Class 3G	Marylove B Timur R	Class 3G	Niamh W
Class 3H	Chanel E	Class 3H	Agasthy A
Class 4I	Nikoletta R	Class 4I	Chukwudubem A
Class 4J	Edlin S	Class 4J	Edlin S
Class 5K	Katarzyna B	Class 5K	Erin M
Class 5L	Kamsi O	Class 5L	Nicole W
Class 6M	Ciara A	Class 6M	Jayla B
Class 6N	Clara T	Class 6N	Ariel G



Well done to our winners for this week! If you want to be in with a chance of winning a prize next week, make sure you log on to your Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rockstars account and get practising those spellings and tables.



School Disco

Thursday 15th February 2022

Reception/Yr1/Yr2 — 4:30pm — 5:30pm Yr3/Yr4/Yr5/Yr6 — 6:00pm — 7:30pm. Entry is £3.00 per child. Payment on the door. There will be a DJ and tuckshop. Parents will not be able to enter with the children staff will supervise the children during the disco.





Safer Internet Day

2022 will be the 18th year Safer Internet Day will be celebrated in over 100 countries around the world. It will run under the slogan "together for a better internet" and will promote the positive power of the internet to allow people to create, share and connect. On Tuesday 8th February, all the children at school will take part in this important day and have a focused lesson on being safe on the Internet. We will launch the day with a special assembly. At school, we ensure that all the children are safe through our E-Safety policy; dedicated lessons as part of the computing curriculum and through raising awareness amongst pupils and parents. Check out what's going on at @giveasmile or @sid21.

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Looking at Learning

Week beginning 7th February, you will have the opportunity to come into school and spend some time with your child to look through their books and discuss their learning with them – these are for Year 1/2/3/4/5/6. Please do make the most of this opportunity – the children (and staff!) have been working so hard since returning in September and are eager to share their learning and progress with you.

Year 6	Year 3	Year 5	Year 4	Year 1	Year 2
Monday 7 th February	Tuesday 8 th February	Wednesday 9 th February	Thursday 10 th February	Friday 11 th February	Monday 14 th February

For Nursery and Reception, we will be doing it slightly differently, so Mrs Murphy and her team will Arbor arrangements out to you.

Week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity		
Value and Virtue – Curious and Active				
Monday 31st January	All Day	Guitar Lessons		
Tuesday 1st February	All Day	Guitar, Piano and Violin Lessons		
	All Day	SEND Review at Sacred Heart		
	Morning	Pre swimming gala training (Pingles Leisure Centre)		
	12:00pm	Chinese New Year lunchtime promotion		
	3:30pm	Netball Match - Sacred Heart v St Gregory's (home)		
Wednesday 2 nd February	N/A	N/A		
Thursday 3 rd February	9:00am	Year 4 to Mass		
		Safer Internet week assembly		
Friday 4 th February	9:00am	WOW Assembly — parent invitations only - link on TEAMS		
	Morning	Miss Reilly's Class Assembly Year 1 (Chinese New Year) — Video link to be sent out		
	Morning	Drumming Lessons		
	12:00pm	Year 6 School Games Rowing Competition		
	3:30pm	Mrs Ellis leaves to start her maternity leave		

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mr P Madia Executive Principal



*Remember to follow us on our School Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/SacredHeartCov



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