



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School Newsletter: 21/10/2021

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Happy half term!

School closes today and reopens on Monday 1st November. I hope the weather stays dry and you manage to have some much needed family time.

It's been lovely to see the Reception children settle into school these past two months; their enthusiasm for school is wonderful to see and their teachers are very impressed with their willingness to learn.

Despite COVID we have tried to begin to return to somewhere near 'normal' with the Year 6 attending St John in the Vale, swimming for Years 5 and 6 has resumed and some of the after school clubs. Unfortunately, a rise in COVID cases meant that these had to be suspended this week and our Year 6 had to return to remote learning, which they have embraced fully, so well done to our Year 6 pupils and staff.

We are hoping to resume our Advent Services and Nativities this year but we will continue to assess the situation on a weekly basis.

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY

Friday 19th November is Children in Need Day. It will be a non-uniform day that day for a donation (cash), two thirds of which will be given to Children in Need and the other third to the Diocesan Youth Mission Team.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the children who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday. It was a lovely mass and I was so pleased that I had had the privilege to be part of it. More of our Year 5 and Year 6 children will make theirs on Saturday and the following Saturday at St Joseph's Church, please keep them in your prayers. If you wish to know what is going on in the parish please follow this link: <https://sacred-heart-rc-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/holy-family-parish-bulletin/>

SCOPAY

Can I just remind parents that this is the new cashless system in place for school and ALL children need to be registered for this. At some point you will need to pay for something e.g. changing to school meals, a trip etc. This is a payment only facility so if you receive any paperwork requesting payment for something you will still need to return that paperwork.

CLOTHING BANK

We have a used clothing bank on the rear playground. If you are having a clear out of your summer clothes, please bag them up and deposit them in there. School will use any funds raised from this to benefit the children.

BREAKFAST CLUB/MUNCHKINS

If at all possible can I please ask you to book places for the following week by Friday lunchtime. I understand some arrangements change but if you do know your requirements it would be appreciated if you could meet this deadline. Registers are generated on a Friday afternoon for the following week.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Friday 22 nd October	PD Day for staff – school closed for children
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th October	Half Term break
Monday 1 st November	School re-opens
Thursday 4 th November	Fire Safety Talk – Key Stage 2 children
Friday 19 th November	Children in Need Day – non-uniform for a donation
Friday 26 th November	Dental Survey for Reception children
Wednesday 1 st December	Year 4 Theatre Trip – more details to follow.
Wednesday 15 th December	Wear a Christmas item day - more details to follow.
Thursday 16 th December	KS2 to attend Peter Pan at Hartlepool Sixth Form College - more details to follow.
Wednesday 22 nd December	School closes for Christmas
Monday 10 th January	School re-opens

Items in red are new this week.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs A. Howell
Headteacher