



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School Newsletter: 14/01/2022

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Happy New Year! It is lovely to see the children return following the Christmas holidays. When I write these newsletters, especially when returning to school following a holiday, I look back at the previous year's newsletter. This time last year we had to close school again, following another lockdown announced by the government. It seems like that was only yesterday and that we are still in the grips of COVID. Although we are still dealing with this new variant, our lives are better than they were this time last year.

With a new year comes new hopes and dreams that we would wish for ourselves, our friends and our family. The hopes and dreams I have for our school are for the children to be in and not have to return to on-line live lessons as we all know they are not the same as being in front of the children physically.

We realise that COVID is still a major factor in our own lives at the moment; we have children absent due to self-isolation as well as juggling staff absences. Some of you may know that I have spent a lot of time in Nursery this week, a place where even on one of your days that isn't going to any kind of plan, melts away all your worries and you become engrossed in their laughter and their world of play. This is the best kind of therapy that we all need at this time.

SCHOOL MEALS

You have now chosen your meals online via your SCOPAY account. A 3 week rolling menu has been set which started with week 2 on 10th January. If you have not already chosen the meals for the second week, your child will be allocated the main hot meal for that week. As our cook has to order the food in advance, we have set the menu for the first 3 weeks, therefore we cannot accept any meal changes during this period; it must be either meals or packed lunches for the full 3 week period. Should you wish to change from packed lunches to meals or vice versa, your new meal arrangements would commence the first week of the new 3 week meal cycle (w/b 31st January). We hope to be more flexible once we have trialled this new system. Should you have any queries, please contact Mrs Anderson via the school office.

When you select your meal choices via SCOPAY, the full cost for the 3 weeks will be charged immediately. We do not expect you to pay in advance for your meals, but you are welcome to do so if you wish, or continue to pay weekly. If you have not done so already, can you please select your meal choices for the next 2 weeks. If a selection has not been made, your child will be offered the main meal for that day, which is usually the meat option.

Y5 RESIDENTIAL VISIT – EMMAUS VILLAGE

As you are aware, under guidance from Public Health we have had to postpone this visit. If it is at all possible, we hope to re-arrange it later this year. We have arranged a refund for parents via Scopay. This will be paid back into the account you have linked for Scopay and it will not be taken from any other balance you may have on your Scopay account.

LATERAL FLOW

If your child is absent following a positive lateral flow result, please remember to send a screenshot of the 2 negative test results to the admin email address before your child returns to school.

SCHOOL TIMES

Please ensure your child arrives in time for the start of the school day:

8.50am Reception/Year 1/Year 2/Year 5/Year 6

8.55am Year 3/Year 4.

Anyone child arriving after the gate has closed must be accompanied to the school office by the person bringing them to school. Please do not just send your child into school alone as we require parents to sign those children in.

CLOTHES RECYCLING BIN

The next collection is scheduled for Monday 24th January. Please ensure all clothes are in plastic bags before depositing them.

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTERS

These have been distributed to Year 1 – Year 6 parents via Class Dojo.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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| Friday 18 th February 2022 | Half Term |
| Monday 28 th February | Children return to school |

Items in red are new this week.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs A. Howell
Headteacher