



I can't believe we are breaking up for Easter today. It seems not so long ago that we had just returned from the Christmas holidays. Time is obviously going so quick as we're having so much fun!

It has been a quiet four days in school as the rest of the town has already broken up for the Easter holidays.

Today, we were fortunate enough to come off timetable and have a Day of Reflection.

This is a chance for us, as a school community, to come closer to God by exploring our faith through different mediums.

Reception made an Easter Garden and our PE hall was transformed so that we could walk the children through the events of Holy Week.



More photos can be found on our website: <https://sacredheart.bhcet.org.uk/latest-news/>

I would like to say a very special 'thank you' to the children who acted and narrated the Gospel on Sunday at St Joseph's Church. It was a very moving experience not only because our children were involved, but because this is one of the first opportunities children have had to be part of a Sunday mass.



CAFOD

We have raised an amazing amount for CAFOD during Lent and there is still money that needs to be counted. I will let you know the final amount when we return to school after Easter. Well done to all of our classes, who have worked hard to raise this amount of money.

More details about CAFOD's Walk Against Hunger campaign can be found here: <https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Walk-Against-Hunger>.

Holy Family Parish EASTER TRIDUUM 14th April – 17th April 2022

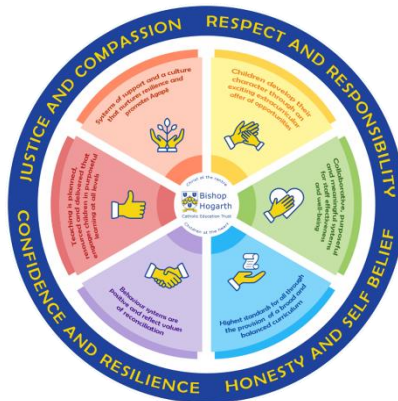
HOLY THURSDAY 14th April Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm at St Joseph's Watching at: St Joseph's 8.00pm - 10.00pm St Patrick's 8.30pm - 9.30pm St Mary's 8.30pm - 9.30pm
GOOD FRIDAY 15th April	Walk of Witness with the Cross meet at: St Mary's 10.00am,

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion	St Patrick's 10.00am, St John Vianney's 10.00am, St Cuthbert's 10.45am, St Thomas More 10.45am, St Joseph's 11.00am, War memorial 11.15am. St Patrick's 3.00pm St Joseph's 3.00pm St Mary's 3.00pm
HOLY SATURDAY 16th April Easter Vigil	St Joseph's 7.30pm, ends 9.00pm
Easter Sunday Masses	St Patrick's 9.00am St Joseph's 10.00am St Mary's 11.00am <i>Please note that there is no evening Mass on Easter Sunday.</i>

Further information can be found here: <https://sacredheart.bhcet.org.uk/parish/>

VIRTUE THURSDAY

Well done to the children who were chosen for our Virtue Thursday hot chocolate. This week we were looking at the Virtue compassion and these children had been chosen for demonstrating compassion in all that they have done this week. The balloons have survived another week! More photos of the hot chocolate can be found on our website: <https://sacredheart.bhcet.org.uk/latest-news/>



ATTENDANCE

Attendance this week has dropped unfortunately and it is 91%. Well done to Class 5 who have knocked Class 7 and Class 3 off their winning run with 94.8%. Well done Mrs Grummett and her class!

COVID

Updated guidance and advice on living with COVID-19 issued by the Government has now come into effect. This guidance states:

- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.
- Children and young people aged 18 and under with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days, which is when they are most infectious.

Therefore, there is no longer a requirement for anyone who tests positive to complete 10 days isolation if they continue to test positive. Nor is it a requirement for two consecutive negative LFDs to end isolation early.

We ask all parents/carers to follow the guidance in the bullet points above to determine when their child can attend school.

We will continue to have measures in place in school to minimise risk of transmission, where possible.

We have had 2 positive cases recorded in school this week. Please remain vigilant and follow the government guidelines around isolation.

PE KIT

Just a reminder from Tuesday 3rd May we will implement our PE kit as outlined in our Uniform Policy. Children will now need to wear either a school PE T-shirt or plain red T-shirt with black shorts, black leggings or black tracksuit bottoms. They can still come into school in their PE kit but it must be in-line with our policy. If you think you will struggle with this please phone the school office.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 14 th April	School closes for Easter holidays
Tuesday 3 rd May	Children return to school
Wednesday 29 th June	Year 6 trip to the Emmaus Village – more information to follow
Thursday 14 th July	Year 6 trip to Flamingoland – more information to follow.
Thursday 21 st July	School closes for the summer holidays

Items in red are new this week.



Mrs A. Howell
Headteacher

Myself, the staff and governors of Sacred Heart wish you all a very happy and holy Easter and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 3rd May.

