



Week 0.

We are very much looking forward to seeing everybody back in school on Monday!

Please make sure that you have read the revised Parents' handbook on the Covid page of our website.([Covid - Sacred Heart Primary School Whetstone](#))

This will provide you with all the information you need, including pick up/drop off times, one way systems and practical advice about how school will run.

On the first day back. please make sure that your child brings only what is needed to school- water bottle, PE kit, Book bag and (replenished) Pencil cases. Please also remember that we can't take in forgotten items via the office. School dinner will be provided if anyone has left their packed lunch at home.

As before, the key to keeping infections down is a community approach. Children should not be coming into school with any symptoms or if their home bubbles have been told to self-isolate. It is very quick to get tests and results now, so it is easy to check if symptoms are Covid or not. We have to report daily to the DfE on cases in the school and on who is self-isolating, and we have now set up a dedicated reporting line for this information. Please email all details to covidtestresults@sacredheart.barnetmail.net

Finally, I would like to thank all the staff who have worked so hard over the last 8 weeks to make sure that the quality of provision remains high for the children in school and for those learning remotely. As ever, they have developed skills which they did not know they had or needed and have stepped up to keep the children motivated during this lockdown, which does seem to have been the hardest of all of them so far.

We know that we have a way to go still before we are back to anything like where we were this time last year, but hopefully we can all work together to make the school as safe as possible in order to begin the journey back to "normal".

Please don't forget to pre-order your child/children's lunch for next week.

You can log on Feeding Hungry Minds and order via [Feeding Hungry Minds](#)



Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club will start back on Monday 8 March 2021 and is open from 7.45am. To book a place for your child please contact Non Stop Action on 020 8446 0006 or on the website <https://www.nonstopaction.co.uk/>

Rapid Covid Testing

Undertaking regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing helps reduce transmission of the virus. Parents and other adults in households with children at school or college, who do not have symptoms, can now access regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. This includes childcare and support bubbles.

Tests are fast, easy and completely free. There are [different ways](#) for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice-weekly:

- through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
- by collecting a home test kit from a local test site – anyone aged 18 or over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests
- by ordering a home test kit online – please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any queries about the tests, and you live in England, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm.

Children of primary school age (and below) without symptoms are not being asked to take a test.

Testing is voluntary, but strongly recommended to all who are eligible. Alongside the vaccine, washing hands, wearing face coverings, and maintaining social distancing, rapid testing plays a vital role in reducing transmission rates. Getting into the habit of regular testing as part of our everyday lives will help us all to play our part and do what we can to protect each other.



Birthday Book Donations

Thank you very much to the following children who have very kindly donated books for the library on their birthdays. Hailee, Aaron and Shayan who all celebrated their 7th birthdays.

Ashmole Academy/Musical Aptitude Test 2021

Ashmole Academy are currently receiving applications for the **Musical Aptitude Test 2021** for entry **September 2022 for 20** music scholars.

Full details of the process are outlined in the Admissions Policy on the school website and an electronic application form is available on the Academy website alongside a timetable of the process.

The deadline to submit an 'on time' application is **Friday 21st May 2021, 3.30pm.**

If parents have any further enquiries, please may contact the school on 0208 361 2703 or email - musicalaptitude@ashmoleacademy.org

After school Club

After school club bookings **MUST** be made on Parentmail. If you are a new user and will be paying by Childcare vouchers, please let the office know as soon as possible. We have released places up to and including Tuesday 30th March. Please be aware that we can only have maximum of 30 children per session. There is no longer any **emergency bookings** so please ensure you book in advance. **You will be able to cancel and make changes to bookings yourselves.**

Parents Association

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE





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Thank you to last week's lovely helpers who made the School Uniform Sale possible and to those who bought items. We hope to arrange another sale before the start of the new term so that you can purchase summer uniform.

200 CLUB

Many congratulations to the February winners of the 200 Club who were:

1st Prize of £125 Maria De Souza

2nd Prize of £50 Fiona Wims

3rd Prize of £25 Liz Nunn

Please contact Claudia on 07956 589454 if you'd like the opportunity to win some cash like the lucky winners above and help with the school's fundraising at the same time.

