



School continues despite all the rumours flying around about school closures or not. We even managed our usual sporting events and a choir rehearsal. We continue to remind all the children about hand washing and there are boxes of tissues in all classes.

The latest advice is that people with new, persistent coughs or high temperatures should self-isolate for 7 days. If your child falls into this category please do make sure that you inform the school and that you keep them away for the full 7 days.

All schools have been told that they should not close unless instructed to do so by Public Health England, however, it is possible that as the number of cases grows the government make take the decision to close all schools, as has been done in several other countries. Should we receive advice to close, we will ensure that work is available to pupils to carry out during the period of closure. All staff are researching work that can be carried out at home and this will be posted on the school website and updated regularly if the closures continue for a long time.

We will do all we can to ensure that students have enough work to occupy them. Parents should also encourage children to use this time to read as much as they can; fiction, non fiction, newspapers and comics are all good ways to vary the reading diet! It would also be helpful if parents could think about making sure students have extra stationery at home to meet their needs if the closure is a lengthy one. Please ensure that we have up to date email addresses for you, so that you can be contacted.

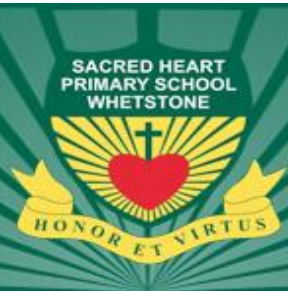
However, I would reiterate that at the moment the advice remains for schools to stay open unless instructed otherwise.

### **Late to school**

Please make every effort to ensure your child arrives at school in time for morning registration, the school day begins at 8.50am. Please be aware that Barnet has a policy which imposes £60 fines on parents if their children are late to school 6 times in a 4 week period.

### **School uniform**

We have seen a few green skirts around the school recently. These have never been part of our uniform and have not been added. The choice is between grey trousers and green pinafore dresses. There are plenty of options available in school outfitters, supermarkets and on-line. Also the Parents Association are holding a second hand uniform sale next Friday at pick up.



## **Food Bank**

Local food banks are reporting shortages of stock possibly linked to people buying extra goods in case of self isolation.

We would like to do something to help the food banks and ask that all the children bring in donations next week as part of their Lenten Almsgiving which we will then pass on to the food banks. Click here to see what the food banks need.

<https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-involved/ways-to-give/donate-food/>

## **RSE Policy**

Governors looked at this policy at their last meeting and have approved the first draft. It is on our policies page. If you have any comments about it, please send them to the office by the end of this term.

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

## **Contact Details**

Please can you ensure that we have your most up to date contact details especially in the current climate where school closures could be a possibility!

## **Top Table Stars**

The "J" side top table stars on Wednesday 11 March were: Zoe & Charlie, Ellie & Teddy, Mia & Edward, Nicholas & Ben, Sebastian & Florence, Holly & Christina, and Katie & Joseph. Congratulations to all our 'Top Table Stars' and thank you for keeping our Golden Rules and showing kindness to your friends.

## **Next Week at Sacred Heart**

Wednesday 18 March – "A" side Rewards Assembly

Thursday 19 March – 6A Assembly, parents welcome 9.00am

Friday 20 March – 2A Assembly, parents welcome 9.00am

## **Y6 Boys Football**

Reminder, Y6 Boys football training on Wednesdays finishes at the end of this term, the last session will be 1 April. There is no Y6 boys football training in the summer term.



### **Parking**

On Tuesday at pick up a white BMW reg: YK16 JZA was parked across the zig zags at the entrance to the school. Please remember to park legally and safely.

### **Design and Technology Easter Egg Competition**

This year we would like you to hand design an egg. In KS1 these need to be hard boiled eggs. In KS2 they will need to be blown.

Here is a handy guide to help: [www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/how-blow-eggs](http://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/how-blow-eggs)

Use your imagination to paint or adorn your egg in creative ways.

Anyone with an egg allergy can use a foam or plastic egg.

Please bring your hand designed eggs into your classroom by Monday 30th March.

Any queries see Mrs Bishop

### **Sponsored Spell 2020**

Your child has now completed the Sponsored Spell at school - well done everyone. Your child's completed test should now have been returned to you with an envelope so you can start to collect the sponsorship money please. The deadline for this is Friday 23rd March. The class that raises the most money will get a non uniform day to celebrate.

With school funding so tight, every pound raised will help.

Any questions please ask Mrs.Frost (mum to Amy Frost 4A) or Siobhan O'Connor (Mum to Kayleigh 2A, Niamh 5A)

### **Online permission/payments**

In line with most schools we are moving towards becoming totally "cashless" and to enable us to do this we need a reliable online system. We are aware of the issues that users have experienced with Wisepay and over the next few weeks we will be moving over to Parentmail. To make this transition as smooth as possible we will need to ensure that we have your current email address. Please can you make sure that you have given this to the office by the end of next week.

### **After School Club**





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When booking, please check your confirmation email from WISEPAY to ensure you have booked the correct session. All bookings, including those made using child care vouchers, must be paid for in advance. **Please note - due to the high demand for the club on particular days, we will have to start releasing bookings if child care vouchers have not been received. If you need to cancel a booking you will need to email the office so a refund can be processed. Cancellations are not transferable so if you require an alternative date you will need to book and pay for it.**

### **Places in Y1 and FS**

We currently have places available in both Y1 and FS, if you know of any parents/carers looking for places in these year groups please ask them to contact the office.

### **Dates For Your Diary**

Fri 27th March: School uniform sale (weather permitting)  
Wednesday 1 April: Y3 Easter play  
Thursday 11th June: Bag2School Collection day (see below)  
Friday 12 June 2020: Open Day  
Sunday 5th July 2020: Summer Festival  
Wednesday 8 July 2020: Sports Day

### **After School Club**

The booking form for the second half of the Spring term is available on Wisepay. All bookings must be made using WISEPAY. For "same day" bookings (where places are available) please use the **Emergency Booking** option. The cost for an emergency booking is **£12.00**

**The session times are from 15:15-16:30 and 16:30-18:00 costing £5 for each. If you require a full session 15:15-18:00 the cost will be £10.**

### **In order to book:**

Log on to **WISEPAY** please click on the Breakfast/After School Club's option. Scroll down and select the appropriate month and dates required. If there are no spaces available for your chosen session it will display a "0" places available.

Bookings must be made for each session by:

Clicking on the **15.15 - 16:30** option for the first session, or for the second session only the **16:30-18:00** button.



If you currently pay for the sessions using childcare vouchers please use the child voucher payments option on Wisepay.

***If you are a new childcare voucher user please notify the office as we will need to add you to a user group.***

**Please note: For a full session 3.15 - 6pm you must select both session times for that day.**

**If you are late in collecting your child at the end of the session ie after 6pm a penalty charge will be incurred:**

**“£10 for up to 15mins late and £20 after this time”**

**Please note -any changes to existing bookings have to be completed by the administrator so please only book the sessions that you need. Cancellations are NOT transferrable; you will need to rebook if you require another session.**

### **Parents' Association**

FS/KS1 "Popcorn and Pillow Night"

In the current climate, it seems sensible to postpone the FS/KS1 "Popcorn and Pillow Night" which was due to take place on Friday 27th March. A new date will be confirmed after the Easter holidays.

### **School Uniform**

We have lots of good condition second hand uniform to sell so if your children are having a growth spurt or you want to get ready for the summer, please come along to our stall in the playground on Friday 27th March 2020. All items will cost £1 with the exception of coats which cost £3 so you will save yourselves lots of money as well help the school's fundraising.

### **Bag2School Collection**

In 2018/19, we raised £500 by you simply donating your unwanted good condition clothes, shoes, bags and belts. If you're self-isolating or self-hibernating, now may be the perfect time to sort through your wardrobes as the Bag2School lorry will be coming to the school on Thursday 11th June to collect your bags (no school uniform please). Bags can be brought in at the weekend of the 6th/7th June and the week commencing 8th June until the 11th June (exact times to follow).

### **Summer Festival 2020**





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Preparation for the Summer Festival 2020 is already under way and Rachel Spraggons (mum to Leo, 1A) is doing a marvellous job at putting together our lovely professionally printed colour programme. If you'd like to place an advert, display a banner and/or can donate a prize for the raffle/Silent Auction, please contact Rachel on [Rachel.spraggons@bakertilly.global](mailto:Rachel.spraggons@bakertilly.global)

Don't forget to put Sunday 5th July in your diary now! We had such an amazing day last year and would love for all children and their families to come along and not miss out.