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October is the month of the Holy Rosary and Fr Liddle will be "zooming" all the KS1 and 2 classes on Monday to pray a decade of the Rosary with them. If the children have rosary beads they would like to bring in for this they may, but they must not be shared.

Autumn is well and truly here with the weather you would expect! We still need to keep the windows open and the children will be outside as much as possible, so it is really important that they bring jumpers and coats to school - and that these are named so that we can return them when they are left somewhere.

It was disappointing to hear that the government has felt the need to bring in legislation around online learning. We have been doing our best to make sure our provision meets the needs of our pupils. We will continue to use Seesaw to set and mark homework. Since the beginning of term, we have been trying to set up Microsoft Teams in case we have to move to remote learning in whatever form at some point. This has been slow to get going as we have had to rely on input from various different agencies to get set up, but things are moving slightly faster following a tuition exchange this morning.

Thank you to everyone who replied to our survey about consultation evenings. Over 80% of you said you would prefer a conversation to a written report. We will be using our consultation evening booking system to facilitate these meetings and details on how to book will be sent out soon. Consultations will be on 3rd and 5th November.

Packed lunches

We have <u>attached</u> a leaflet about what makes a healthy packed lunch. There are lots of good suggestions for lunches at

https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes

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



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Reminder – the Office staff are unable to take in anything your child may have forgotten to bring to school including water bottles, packed lunch, book bags etc... If they do not have a lunch a school one will be provided but you will need to make payment via the Feeding Hungry Minds website.

Barnet Public Health Weekly Dashboard.

Barnet Public Health produce a weekly Covid-19 Dashboard which has information on the number of weekly cases, breakdown by age, area etc. within the borough. You can access it via

https://www.barnet.gov.uk/sites/default/files/barnet_weekly_covid-19 dashboard 28.09.20.pdf

FS 2021

Parents/carers of siblings born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 should register their interest in a school place for FS 2021 via email admin@sacredheart.barnetmail.net FAO Mrs Box.

Individual School Photographs

The school photographer is scheduled to come into school to take individual photographs on **MON 12 OCT**. They will be working to Covid guidelines and will be wearing PPE. Unfortunately, they will not be able to take sibling photo's this time as the bubbles cannot be mixed.

Free School Meals

Please remember to let us know if you think you are eligible for free school meals especially if your child has moved into KS2 (Y3-Y6) and is no longer entitled to universal free school meals. The eligibility criteria is on our website https://www.sacredheartprimary.co.uk/1331/free-school-meals-1 Please apply even if you are in FS/KS1 at the moment as things like the FSM vouchers which ran through the lockdown are triggered by this.

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Please do not send your child to school if they have any of the following symptoms:

A high temperature – this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back

- **A new, continuous cough** this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- A loss of, or change in, their normal sense of smell or taste this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

It is also important that you **do not send your child to school** if somebody in your household has tested positive for, or has symptoms of, coronavirus.

As a precaution, your child must not come into school for **14 days** after coronavirus has been identified in your household, whether confirmed or unconfirmed.

Please notify the <u>school office</u> via <u>telephone and email</u> as soon as possible if your child, or somebody in your household, is showing symptoms of coronavirus and your child cannot come into school

ParentMail

We use Parentmail for after school club bookings, trips and visits, permissions and any other items that we need parent/carers to approve. If you are having problems registering please contact office@sacredheart.barnetmail.net as we may not have the most up to date email address for you.

After school Club & Breakfast 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. There will no longer be any **emergency bookings** so please ensure you book in advance. **You will be able to cancel and make changes to bookings yourselves.**

Non Stop Action run breakfast club, bookings can be made via the website www.NonStopAction.co.uk or by phone 0208 446 0006.



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Dates for the Diary

Sunday 4 October – school uniform sale 9.30am-11.00am Friday 9 October – Virtual Welcome Coffee Morning for Foundation Stage Parents & Carers

Parents Association

FUNDRAISING MEETING

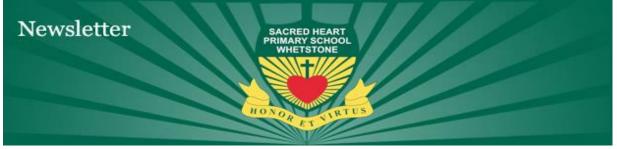
Thank you to all those who joined us on Tuesday for our first ever Zoom Fundraising Meeting and to those who texted us suggestions. With current restrictions, there is a limit to what we can organise but we do have some fab ideas which hopefully we can pursue so watch this space!

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE/HOLY COMMUNION OUTFITS

This Sunday we will be selling second hand uniform between 9.30am - 11am at the Upper Playground. The car park will be open so if you have any good condition school uniform to drop off this will be the perfect time. We also have some lovely Holy Communion outfits and shoes kindly donated by Sacred Heart Families to sell. It is a cash only event and please can you wear a mask. If you have any other outfits to donate, please contact Adriana Farrar (mum to Alyssa 1A) on 07956 663316.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SCHOOLS

One fundraising initiative which has always been greatly loved by Sacred Heart families is the "Christmas Cards for Schools". This is where we ask all children to design their own Christmas card which can then be printed on cards, gift tags, mugs and coasters which are always delightful gifts for family and friends at Christmastime. You should have received all the information you need as well as the design template which needs to be used via Class Reps (the information is also on our "Sacred Heart Families" Facebook page). The deadline to return your child's drawing in Friday 9th October which seems very early but this is the deadline set by the company who will send us a sample of your child's drawing on a card so that you can then decide what you want to order and ensure anything you want is received in time for Christmas. Any profit made goes to the school and in a year when most of our 2020 fundraising initiatives have had to be cancelled, we need as many families to support the events we can press ahead with, if they can. Please note that design templates cannot be dropped into the school office as before. Instead, there will be



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large recycling bin (which looks like a postbox) in the school's bike store near the front office for you to post your child's picture. If you have any queries, please contact Andrea Chang (mum to Vinaya 3J and Medany FSJ) on 07734 433630. Happy drawing!

<u>VIRTUAL WELCOME COFFEE MORNING FOR FOUNDATION STAGE</u> <u>PARENTS</u>

As we cannot hold our welcome Coffee Morning for Foundation Stage parents and carers in the usual way, we will be holding a Virtual Video Welcome Coffee Morning via Zoom on Friday 9th October at 9.30am. Login details are as follows

Meeting ID: 732 1289 9982

Passcode: R7B80g

This is a great opportunity to find out more about the Parents Association, what we do, the initiatives we are involved in, how you can help and what's in it for you! If you cannot attend and would like to find out more, please call Angela Soave (mum to Luca 3J and Sebi 3A) on 07900 903799 or Angela Togher (mum to Liam 4J and Kate 1J) on 07917 060342. We really hope as many of you can make it as possible especially as you will also be able to meet fellow parents of FSA and FSJ.



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