## **Sacred Heart RC Nursery & Primary School**



24th May 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have reached the end of term five and will soon move to the final half term of the academic year. This week has been another busy one, following a weekend of Holy Communion celebrations.

### **First Holy Communion**

What a wonderful service Fr Ralph led last Sunday as 15 Y4 pupils made the First Holy Communion. Thank you to Fr Ralph and Mrs D Taylor for all their work over the past eight months in preparing them for the sacrament. Thank you to all the parents and wider families for joining us for this special celebration.



### **CPR & Defibrillator Training**

We welcomed back the charity, Jay's Aim today to lead CPR and Defib training for our Y5 and Y6 classes. The British Heart Foundation estimates that 12 people below the age of 35 die every week in the UK from undiagnosed heart conditions, many of them with no

prior symptoms. Since 2018 Jay's Aim has been on a mission to reduce this number. The charity fundraises to provide defibrillators for public spaces and educates in the use of saving someone's life by knowing how to use them. The Sacred Heart defibrillator is positioned outside the front office.





Number of young people trained in CPR/AED



190

defibrillators funded



160

Number of cardiac screening appointments funded







### **Staffing**

Miss Jemima Bowyer started her new role on Monday in Reception. Miss Bowyer will be with us until February 2025 when Mrs Pancott returns. Our numbers for September are

looking healthier than predicted with 25 confirmed pupils starting with us. All schools across the Bay are struggling to fill their youngest classes due a fall in the birth rate. This can have a significant impact on school budgets so to only be five short us pleasing.

For those of you with children in the September 24 intake, information will be sent out to you after half term regarding transition arrangements.

Teaching Assistant, Miss Easterbrook came to the end of her contract today. We wish her well in her new role in childcare. Miss Holly Hough has been appointed on a short-term contract until the end of the summer term. She will mainly be based in Y1.

I am presently working on staffing for September 2024 but am not in a position to confirm which teachers will be teaching in which year group as yet. Teachers, children and parents will be informed about this by the end of June. This gives plenty of time for transition work to take place for children. Our focus after half term and throughout June will be on end of year assessments followed by annual reports to parents in July.



### Year 6 Beach Trip

It's not often the children get a trip that isn't directly linked to their learning but Y6 were able to let off some steam yesterday and chill out at the beach as their end of SATs treat. It always reminds us that Y6 are indeed still small children who simply like to dig, build and paddle.

Have a lovely half term holiday,

Nichola Day

Executive Headteacher

# **COMING UP**

### June

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> INSET day

Tues 4th Back to school

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Feast of Sacred Heart of Jesus. Whole school Mass in the morning and a visiting theatre company in the afternoon, performing, 'The Selfish Giant'

3<sup>rd</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> June: Y4 Multiplication Tables Check (Date TBC)

Mon 10<sup>th</sup>: Y6 Swimming (last day Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July)

Mon 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>: Y1 National Phonics Screening Test

Fri 21st Sports Day (KS2 AM / KS1 PM)

Mon 24th - Wed 26th Y6 PGL Residential

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Sports Day reserve date (KS2 AM / KS1 PM)

### July

2<sup>nd</sup>: Y6 Diocesan Leavers Mass in Exeter

4th Y6 Secondary Transition day

Fri 12th: PTFA Summer Fete

Fri 19th: Y6 Leavers' Assembly

Wed 24<sup>th</sup>: Break up for summer







### Contacting your child's teacher

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Executive Head Teacher	Mrs Day	day@shrcps.org
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Administrator	Mrs Macdonald (8am – 11am)	admin@shrcps.org
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1.11/1.	Play Therapist	Jane Doidge	doidge@shrcps.org
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We are expecting high demand so early booking it essential. Further Open Events will take place in October



