

Sacred Heart RC Nursery & Primary School



Friday Flyer



Friday 8th September 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year at Sacred Heart. This week the children have been writing Sacred Agreements based on the school rules of Be Ready! Be Safe! Be Respectful! Each class has explored what this looks like in school and created a charter which all of the children have signed up. These are referred to throughout the year.

Along with getting used to new faces and surroundings, the children have been learning new routines and consolidating old ones. There has been a focus on 'Staying Safe' across all classes in an age-appropriate way and today following a Mass to celebrate the new school year and Mary's birthday, the children have been learning about Mary, the Mother of God along with other inspirational women. This is the third year that we have celebrated this event and the children have been recapping on significant women in history that they have studied in previous years before adding to their knowledge portfolio.

We welcome new families to our school community in Reception along with children who have joined in other year groups too: Iori, Kiera, Habiba and Jonath in KS2.

School Environment

You will have noticed the works being carried out on improving the EYFS outdoor area. The completion date was the end of August but we have been let down and the work is still ongoing causing disruptions at drop off and pick up. This new sheltered area will really make a difference to the outdoor provision meaning that the children can get outside whatever the weather. The new fencing and dismantling of the broken play equipment has provided extra playground space for the rest of the school, extending the surface area. It will be wonderful when complete.

From Monday 11th, can nursery parents please enter and pick up via the nursery side gate until further notice. This is for nursery only. Siblings will need to go in via the main entrance. There will be no access via the EYFS area as Mrs Pancott needs to be vigilant on the gate with our youngest children.

Meet the Teacher

We will be offering parents the chance to come in and see your child/ren's new teacher and classroom over the next couple of weeks. Even if you know the staff, you may not be familiar with the expectations and routines of the new year group so it is always

encouraged for all parents to attend. These will take place in your child's classroom straight after school and will last non more than 30 minutes. There will be an opportunity for you to ask questions and find out more about the year ahead.

Monday 11th September: Y3 – Mrs Flintham and Mrs Glew

Wednesday 13th September: Y2 – Miss Sloggett

Thursday 14th September: Y4 – Miss Shaw

Monday 18th September: Y5 – Mrs Dickinson and Mrs Taylor

Tuesday 19th September: Y6 – Mrs Bird

Thursday 21st September: Y1 – Mrs Bevan-Smith

Reception parents will be invited in a little later in the term once the children are settled in. Mrs Pancott is available in the playground every morning.

Staffing

Congratulations to Miss Bird who got married over the holidays. She has decided to keep her maiden name so will just have the subtle change to Mrs Bird.

Mr Bevan-Smith's wife gave birth to their first child over the summer. We wish the family our very best wishes. We all know that Mr Bevan-Smith is going to make a lovely daddy.

We welcome Mrs Jenny Taylor to Sacred Heart. Mrs Taylor will be working across all the classes in the school throughout the week as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA).

Congratulations to Mrs Endacott on being successful at interview for the Nursery position this week. To replace her current role, we have advertised for a temporary teaching assistant for 27.5 hours a week. If anyone is interested in the position, please see the link below.

[https://www.devonjobs.gov.uk/job/Teaching%20Assistant%20-%20Sacred%20Heart%20Roman%20Catholic%20Primary%20School%20\(Plymouth%20CAST\)-21/](https://www.devonjobs.gov.uk/job/Teaching%20Assistant%20-%20Sacred%20Heart%20Roman%20Catholic%20Primary%20School%20(Plymouth%20CAST)-21/)

SEND

The local authority has shared links to some forthcoming webinars for parents of SEND children. These are free to attend and available to everyone.

[Dispelling the myths about mainstream secondary school Tickets, Wed 13 Sep 2023 at 16:30 | Eventbrite](#)

[Dispelling the myths about mainstream primary school for SEND children Tickets, Mon 18 Sep 2023 at 10:00 | Eventbrite](#)

[Dispelling the myths about mainstream primary school for SEND children Tickets, Mon 18 Sep 2023 at 19:00 | Eventbrite](#)

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine.

Nichola Day

Executive Headteacher



Contacting your child's teacher



Nursery: Mrs Berry berry@shrcps.org

Y3: Mrs Flintham / Mrs Glew
flintham@shrcps.org / glew@shrcps.org

YR: Mrs Pancott pancott@shrcps.org

Y4: Miss Shaw shaw@shrcps.org

Y1: Mr Bevan-Smith bevan-smith@shrcps.org

Y5: Mrs Dickinson dickinson@shrcps.org

Y2: Miss Sloggett sloggett@shrcps.org

Y6 Mrs Bird: bird@shrcps.org

Executive Head Teacher	Mrs Day	day@shrcps.org
Senior Administrator	Mr O’Kane (Mon and Tues 8.30am – 2.30pm)	senioradmin@shrcps.org
Administrator	Mrs Macdonald (8am – 11am Mon – Fri inclusive)	admin@shrcps.org
Administrator	Mrs Garside (10.15am -3:45pm Mon-Fri inclusive)	garside@shrcps.org

Inclusion Team

Safeguarding Lead	Mrs Day	day@shrcps.org
Deputy Safeguarding Lead	Mrs Nott	nott@shrcps.org
Deputy SENCO	Mrs Nott	nott@shrcps.org

Family Support	Andrea Gjikolaj	andreag@southwestfamilyvalues.org.uk
Attendance Officer	Matthew Jackson	matt@southwestfamilyvalues.org.uk
Play Therapist	Jane Doidge	doidge@shrcps.org



Introducing our school's Family Support Worker

Andrea Gjikolaj
 Trainee Parenting Therapist
 South West Family Values C.I.C
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Introducing Matt Jackson – Attendance Officer...



Matt comes from a Sporting background and has a BSc (Hons) Degree in Sports Coaching. Matt has a wealth of experience of working with families and young people having spent over 6 years working in Youth services, Early Intervention as a Targeted Youth Support Worker and as the Young Male Sexual Health Worker for the Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust. He has recently completed a Post Graduate Diploma in Parent Therapy at Exeter. Matt is qualified to deliver evidence-based parenting interventions such as The Incredible Years and Helping the Non-Compliant Child. As well as working as a

Family Support Worker he is the designated Attendance & Welfare Officer for nine Schools across Torbay and Devon.

Starting Secondary School September 2024?

An email has been sent out today to Year 6 Parents/Carers providing information regarding applying for a secondary school place for September 2024.


The application window for children to make their secondary school application for September 24 is now open.

The deadline is 31.10.23 and applications received after that date will be at a disadvantage.


Applications should be made, where possible, using the online portal. This can be found by following this link [Apply for a secondary school place - Torbay Council](#)

NB. Parents who wish their child to sit the selective test or take part in Torquay Academy's Football or Performing Arts Academy aptitude testing need to register asap. The closing dates are fast approaching.

Flu Immunisation



**School Age
Immunisation Service**



Academic Year 2023/24

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY
SCHOOL
DV140749**

**Cornwall and Devon
School-Age Immunisation Service**
Cornwall
Tel: 01872 221105
Email: Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net
Devon
Tel: 01392 342678
Email: Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmsdevon@nhs.net
Website: www.kernowhealthcic.org.uk

Dear Parent/Guardian

Your child's annual nasal flu vaccination is now due

The School-Age Immunisation Service is delivering the flu immunisation programme in Cornwall's and Devon's schools on behalf of NHS England & Improvement. Flu can be a very unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable friends and family by preventing the spread of flu.

In 2023/24 all children in Primary Schools from **Reception to year 6 (inclusive)** will be offered the vaccine. The vaccination is free and recommended for young children; it is administered by a quick and simple spray up the nose. Please enter www.nhs.uk/child-flu to access information explaining the vaccination programme which also includes details about the small number of children for whom the nasal vaccine is not appropriate. The patient information leaflet is also in the attached link: [FLUENZ Tetra, INN-influenza vaccine \(live attenuated, nasal\) \(medicines.org.uk\)](#).

We are due to visit your child's school on **5th October 2023**. In order to access the online consent form, please enter or click on the following link <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>
PLEASE ENSURE YOU ENTER THE FULL UNIQUE SCHOOL REFERENCE CODE. The code for your child's school is: DV140749

Please submit your consent form by **midday 3rd October 2023** to ensure your child receives their vaccination. If you experience any problems accessing the form please **telephone 01872 221105 for Cornwall schools and 01392 342678 for Devon schools** and the team will be happy to help. Please note that as in previous years **you must opt into** the programme. If a consent form is not submitted your child will not be vaccinated.

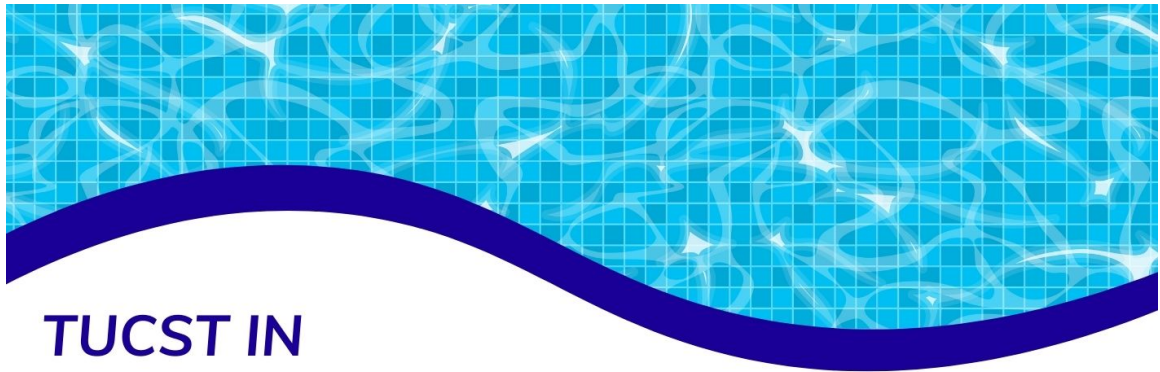
If your child becomes wheezy or has their asthma medication increased after you submit this form, please contact us on the numbers above.

If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, it would help us if you still complete and submit the consent form giving the reason. This will help us to plan and develop the service. Please tell us if you need this information in a different format.

Yours faithfully

School-Age Immunisation Team
Kernow Health

Chair: Dr Andrew Craze
Acting Chief Executive: Laura Wheeler
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OCTOBER HALF TERM FOR ONE DAY ONLY!



Multi-Sports and Swimming Course at
Spires College (TQ1 3PE)
For Ages 7-11 Years
Friday 27th October 2023
9am to 3.30pm including 1 hour of
swimming at Plainmoor Swimming Pool



Please copy and paste the
following link to book: -
[https://torquay-united-
cst.classforkids.io/info/199](https://torquay-united-cst.classforkids.io/info/199)

£30.00 per child

Email: admin@tucst.co.uk

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