

Sacred Heart RC Nursery & Primary School



Friday Flyer

Friday 3rd November 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Well, Paignton survived Storm Ciaran – which is more to be said for Teignmouth seafront. I don't know if anyone caught sight of the waves on the news or social media but I have not seen the front flooded like that since 2014. For those of you who know the skate park on the promenade, it was submerged in water and returned to its previous function of a boating lake. Thank you for your support and understanding in not being able to make hasty decisions on Wednesday night. It was right and sensible to wait for Thursday morning and it turned out to be safe for the children to come to school. Nobody wants to close schools; nobody chooses remote learning. Once again, thank you for getting your children into school.

Enrichment

This week, Y2 visited Brixham Harbour and went aboard the Golden Hind. They were lucky enough to avoid the rain and had an informative day. The trip enhanced their history learning around explorers, in particular Sir Francis Drake.



Keeping Safe: Fire Safety

A firefighter came to visit Years 2,3 and 5 on Thursday to teach the children about keeping safe. They learned that fire engines carry the equivalent of 20 bathtubs of water, that the number for the emergency services is 999 and some of the children demonstrated Stop! Drop! And Roll! If your child is in one these year groups, be sure to ask them what they learned about how to keep safe in an emergency situation.

Catholic Life: Heroes and Heroines

Thank you to Y3 and Y4 for leading us in a beautiful All Saints Day Mass on Wednesday. We spent the rest of the day looking at a variety of saints across the school and then exploring heroes and heroines in more modern times - people, both adults and children, who have acted like saints.

Catholic Schools Inspection

You will find attached the report from our Catholic Schools Inspection back at the beginning of October. It's a mixed bag of findings and we are particularly proud of the 'Outstanding' grading for the Catholic Life and Mission of the school. The opening paragraph states:

Pupils enjoy coming to and being part of the Sacred Heart Community. They express a clear sense of belonging and self-worth. They display secure knowledge and confidence when speaking with adults about the Catholic identity and mission which is embedded and visible across the whole school and in documentation.

Parent Consultations

By now, you should have all received your parent consultations letters and returned them back to your child's class teachers. We aim for 100% attendance at these important meetings so even if you have not requested a time, an appointment slot will be given. If there is anyone who finds it impossible to make either Wednesday or Thursday, please talk to your child's teacher.

Supporting Mental Health & Wellbeing

[Child Mental Health & Wellbeing - 10 Top Tips for Parents](#)

[Parents' Mental Health & Wellbeing - 10 Top Tips for Parents](#)

Glow in the Dark Dodgeball



SportyStars
GLOW IN THE DARK
DODGEBALL

TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER - 5.15 @ SACRED HEART RC PRIMARY SCHOOL
5.15-6.15PM - FOR KS1 CHILDREN; 6.30-7.30PM - FOR KS2 CHILDREN
£7 PER SESSION / SPACES LIMITED

BOOKINGS : SPORTYSTARS.CO.UK - OR SCAN QR CODE
ENQUIRIES: TORBAY@SPORTYSTARS.CO.UK

FACE PAINT MUSIC LIGHTS FUN!

The poster features a collage of four photos showing children participating in the event. One photo shows a child with glowing face paint, another shows children holding glowing dodgeballs, and two others show children playing with the balls in a dark setting.

Miss Shaw has booked this one-off sporting event for the end of November. Please see link below to book direct with the organisers. School staff will be supervising the event.

Y1 & Y2: 5:15-6:15pm

Y3-6: 6:30-7:30pm

<https://bookwhen.com/glow-tq/e/ev-sjya-20231128171500>

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Nichola Day



Autumn Term Diary



November

Mon 6th: Y6 swimming sessions start

Wed 8th/Thurs 9th Parents' Evening

Wed 8th: Y3 trip to Dartmoor

Thurs 9th: Y2 Multi-skills at Paignton Academy.

10th Choir to South Devon College Remembrance Service.

Saturday 11th: Y4 to perform at Exeter Cathedral.

13th-17th Anti-Bullying Week

Thurs 16th: Y5 Athletics at Paignton Academy

Thurs 16th Y6 Trip to Slapton Sands

17th: Children in Need (pyjama day)

23rd Miss Hartley returns from maternity leave.

Thurs 23rd: Y3 Athletics at Paignton Academy

Tues 28th: Glow in the Dark Dodgeball Event - KS1: 5:15-6:15 KS2: 6:30-7:30

Thurs 30th: Y1 Athletics at Paignton Academy

December

1st: Advent Mass led by Y1/2

4th: Mrs Whitmore returns from maternity leave.

8th: Christmas Jumper Day

Tues 12th: EYFS Nativity 2pm

Wed 13th: KS1/Y3 Advent Service 2pm

Thurs 14th: KS2 Service of Light 5:30pm

Fri 15th: Break Up

January 2024

Tues 2nd: INSET Day

Wed 3rd: Pupils return to school.

Autumn Term 2023

September	October	November	December
The month of well-being	The month of the Rosary Harvest Black History	The month of the Holy Souls Remembrance	The month of Advent
<p>4th: INSET 5th: Back to school</p> <p>5-7th: 'Keeping Safe'</p> <p>Fri 8th: Liturgical Journey: Mary's Birthday— Inspirational Women. Whole school Mass</p> <p>11th–21st: Meet the Teacher meetings (see Friday Flyer for year group dates)</p> <p>Fri 22nd: Individual school photos</p> <p>28th: Y5 PA Hockey Festival</p>	<p>2-6th: GIFT team to collect food</p> <p>5th: Y4 PA Rugby Festival</p> <p>5th: YR - Y6 FLU immunisations</p> <p>6th: CAFOD Family Fast Day. Harvest Mass (led by Y5/6)</p> <p>12th: Y6 PA Tag Ruby Festival</p> <p>18th/19th: Prayer Space Event</p> <p>20th: Break Up</p> <p>30th: INSET 31st: Back to school 31st: St Andrew's Day 31st: October Y2 Trip to Brixham</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Book of Remembrance</p> <p>1st Nov: All Saints Day Whole school Mass. Liturgical Journey: Saints Past, Present and Future (led by Y3/4)</p> <p>Wed 8th/Thurs 9th Parents' Evening 8th Nov Y3 Trip to Merrivale</p> <p>10th Choir to South Devon College Remembrance Service.</p> <p>Saturday 11th: Y4 to perform at Exeter Cathedral.</p> <p>13th-17th Anti-Bullying Week</p> <p>16th November Y6 Slapton Sands Trip</p> <p>17th: Children in Need (pyjama day)</p> <p>23rd Miss Hartley returns from maternity. Y2 teacher Thurs/Fridays</p>	<p>1st: Advent Mass led by Y1/2</p> <p>3rd: 1st Sunday of Advent. New liturgical year begins: Cycle B (Mark's Gospel)</p> <p>4th Mrs Whitmore returns</p> <p>8th: Christmas Jumper Day</p> <p>Tues 12th: EYFS Nativity 2pm Wed 13th: KS1/Y3 Advent Service 2pm Thurs 14th: KS2 Service of Light 5:30pm</p> <p>Fri 15th: Break Up</p>

Spring Term 2024		
January	February	March
The month of New Beginnings Epiphany	The month of LOVE	The month of Lent
Mon 1st: New Year's Day Tues 2 nd INSET Wed 3 rd : Back to School 5 th : Liturgical Journey – Wise Men & Women 6 th : The Epiphany Mass	2 nd : Presentation of the Lord 6 th : Safer Internet Day 9 th : Break Up 14 th : Ash Wednesday Mon 19 th : INSET Tues 20 th : Back to school	1 st : St David's Day Wed 6 th /Thurs 7 th Parents Evening 7 th : World Book Day (heroes and villains). 11-17 th British Science Week 17 th : St Patrick's Day 24 th : Palm Sunday 25 th Holy Week begins. 28 th : Maundy Thursday Break Up 29 th : Good Friday 31 st : Easter Sunday

Summer Term 2024			
April	May	June	July
The month of Easter	The month of Mary	The month of the Sacred Heart	The month of celebrating success
15 th : Back to School 23 rd : St George's Day	1 st : EYFS Crowning of Mary in Church. 6 th : Bank Holiday 13 th - 16 th : KS2 SATs Saturday 18 th : 19 th : Pentecost Sunday 24 th : Break Up	3 rd : INSET 4 th : Back to School 7 th : Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Mass: 28 th : Liturgical Journey - Leadership 29 th : Feast of St Peter and St Paul	2 nd : Y6 Diocesan Leavers' Mass in Exeter Sports Day TBC with Oldway Fri 20 th : Y6 Leavers' Assembly Wed 24 th : Leavers' Mass 24 th : Break Up for Summer

Contacting your child's teacher



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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 (11.30am – 2.30pm)	senioradmin@shrcps.org
Administrator	Mrs Macdonald (8am – 11am)	admin@shrcps.org
Administrator	Mrs Garside (10.15am -3:45pm)	garside@shrcps.org

Inclusion Team

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Deputy SENCO	Mrs Nott	nott@shrcps.org

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

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.

Reminder...

We are very fortunate to have our crossing patrol – Wendy – helping us all to keep safe when coming to and from school across Cecil Road.

Please do though, remember NOT to step onto the road with Wendy but instead WAIT on the pavement until Wendy is in position and has stopped the traffic. Wendy will then let you know when it is safe to cross.



“Multiplying hope” in Our Schools and World with CAFOD

In Pope Francis’ message to charities, and NGOs and their volunteers, he said:

“The world needs volunteers and organisations committed to seeking the common good... being a volunteer who helps others is a choice that makes us free, it opens us to other people’s needs, to the demands of justice, the defence of the poor and to the care of creation. It means being artisans of mercy. By working together, [NGOs and their volunteers] do their best to make the miracle of the multiplication of hope a reality. We have a great need to multiply hope!”

CAFOD is the Church’s very special humanitarian and development charity and our support for it not only helps to transform communities around the world but helps transform our own community too.

CAFOD is currently looking to recruit **School Volunteers** for the Torbay Deanery area to accompany our children in our wonderful Catholic Schools on a voyage of transformation using CAFOD’s award winning resources, assemblies and workshops.

A background in education is not necessary, but we hope to recruit people from all ages and backgrounds who have a passion for a fairer world and a deep desire to multiply hope in our work and our community here! Full support, resources and regular training are provided.

With a small amount of action together we can contribute to making a huge difference to our sisters and brothers around the world.

For more information, please contact Simon on tel: 01752 268768 or email: plymouth@cafod.org.uk



TAKE THEM ON A JOURNEY!

SCHOOLS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Looking for a new challenge? Could you visit schools in your local area to deliver assemblies and workshops about CAFOD's work and encourage young people to take action, fundraise and pray with CAFOD? No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT:

CAFOD Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

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Autumn 2

Kinetic Sports Group will be running their popular After School Club Activities on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. See the timetable for this half term and details of how to book, below.



AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS

AUTUMN TERM 2

MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
Hockey	Gymnastics	Football
20 places available	20 places available	20 places available
6 Nov - 11 Dec 3:15 - 4:15	1 Nov - 13 Dec 3:15 - 4:15	3 Nov - 15 Dec 3:15 - 4:15
£18	£21	£21
Remember your PE kit, water bottle & a jumper/coat		
BOOK VIA OUR WEBSITE www.kineticsportsgroup.co.uk Bookings open now		



2023 Poppy Appeal

As in previous years, our Y6 children will be collecting for the Royal British Legion's 2023 Poppy Appeal. There will be poppies and other small items of official merchandise available if you would like to send your child in with a donation.

Things To Do...

Therapy Services South West is a new community interest company, currently based in Paignton.

They currently have several services funded through the national lottery, below are leaflets detailing their free to attend Parent's Club (term time only), donation to attend All About Me sessions supporting children and young people with their Autism diagnosis and £5 entry Brick Club sessions (term time only).

PARENTS CLUB
FRIDAYS 9:30AM - 11AM
PALACE AVENUE, PAIGNTON
 Free Support Group for neurodivergent parents, those with sensory issues or with suspected neurodivergence and parents of neurodivergent children under 18.
 Content to be decided by the group. Be as social or as quiet as you like.
 contact: admin@therapyservicesouthwest.co.uk

BRICK CLUB
 Through collaborative LEGO play, children have fun, make friends, and develop their communication skills, confidence, and social and emotional wellbeing - it's therapy using LEGO bricks!
Thursday's 5:00-6:00pm
Palace Avenue, Paignton
£5 entry per session
12 week programme
 Contact: admin@therapyservicesouthwest.co.uk
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I've discovered I'm autistic what next?
All About Me programme
 A neurodiversity affirming framework
 Allowing children to explore their strengths and seek support in what they find challenging
 3 x Individual sessions with child and parent
 All About Me booklet provided
 Contact us to find out about our wellbeing support:
admin@therapyservicesouthwest.co.uk