



Newsletter 8th September 2023

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Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back to school. It has been delightful to see you all again and our wonderful children. Thank you for preparing them so beautifully for the start of the new school year. The children arrived wearing their uniforms along with big smiles! We look forward to a positive and joyful year ahead as we continue to grow together as a community; supporting each other to the best of our ability, ensuring our children can reach their full potential in a safe and caring environment. Please do not hesitate to make an appointment with me, Mrs Botham or Mr Wilson to discuss any thoughts, worries or concerns you may have. Your child's class teacher will be available to speak with you on most days after school but if you would like to discuss something at length, please let them know and they will set some time aside by appointment. Wishing you all a very happy school year ahead.
God bless,
Mrs Walker and Mrs Botham

Sacred Heart Mission Statement

'Where Every Heart is Sacred'

'Our school community serves the common good to the benefit of all; where the rights and dignity of every human person are respected and "Every Heart is Sacred". We support and encourage everyone to reach their full potential. We are witnesses to God's love through our actions; inspiring hope, nurturing love and caring for our Common Home. We serve each other peacefully, joyfully and truthfully so that all "have life and have it the full".

Prayer for the New Academic Year

Dear Lord,
We think of the children and young people close to our hearts and know that they are precious in your sight, fearfully and wonderfully made.
We place them into your hands.
Strengthen and nurture them.
Be with them in their coming in and going out, at home and at school, in their sports, activities and clubs, their friendships and their quiet times.
Mould them in your image, forming and reforming. Through the positive influence of those whose lives cross theirs.
Through the love and example of those who care for them and through the constant love of your Son, Jesus, who walks alongside them each step of their lives.



Diary Dates Next Week

12th September, 9.15am – KS1 and 2 Mass. All Parents Welcome
12th September, 3.20pm – Class 5 Parent Meeting
13th September, 3.20pm – Class 7 Parent Meeting
14th September, 3.20pm – Year 6 Parent Meeting
25th September, 9.05pm – Class 6 Assembly
All dates for events this half term are available in the calendar on the school website.

Curriculum

We are very proud of our bespoke school curriculum. It has been thoughtfully and sensitively planned, taking into account the social-economic demographics of the school and the world in which we live. Learning in each area of the curriculum is sequenced so that children build on their prior knowledge and skills and their learning becomes memorable. Please check out the curriculum area of our school website. Here, you will be able to see the curriculum topics your child will be covering this year and the progression map throughout the school.





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Our Lady's Birthday

Today, we celebrate the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mary's birth was an extraordinary occasion, as it was this little baby, who was to become, as a young woman, the mother of Jesus.



Attendance and Punctuality

The children at Sacred Heart School have consistently had an outstanding record of attendance and we have been amongst the schools with the highest attendance record overall in Manchester and England.

Every school day is an essential learning day and crucial to the development of children. No absences will be authorised unless it is due to illness or there is a medical appointment that cannot be taken outside of the school day. There are rare exceptional circumstances when authorisation may be considered but only if a child's previous attendance is 97% or above. Holidays during term time will not be authorised.

Please ensure children arrive at 8.55am each day as just 1 minute missed of the first lesson of the day can have a negative impact. Please read our full attendance policy [here](#).

Keep our Children Safe



PLEASE DO NOT STOP OR PARK on Knutsford Road opposite the school or outside the school between the hours of 8am and 5pm as clearly marked on the yellow signs on either side of the road. Please do not park within 10 metres of the junctions on Knutsford Road. Please click on this link to remind yourself of the [The Highway Code](#)

Lunch Menu 11th – 15th September

Sacred Heart R.C. Primary School		Summer Autumn Menu 2023			
Week 2	Meat Free Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meal Choices Halal & Vegetarian Options Available	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Seasoned Potatoes & Broccoli	Piri Piri Chicken with Rice & Vegetable Medley	Burger in a Bun with Baked Wedges, Coleslaw & Salad	Bolognese Pasta Bake with Sweetcorn	Cod & Salmon Fishcake with Saute Potatoes & Beans
	Veggieballs in Gravy with Mashed Potatoes & Broccoli	Quorn Fajita with Vegetable Medley	Quorn Dippers with Baked Wedges & Carrots	Veggie Sausages with Mashed Potatoes, Gravy & Sweetcorn	Cheese Fian with Saute Potatoes & Beans
	Hot Panini with Broccoli or Salad	Jacket Potato Selection with Mixed Salad	Pasta & Sauce with Carrots or Salad	Jacket Potato Selection with Mixed Salad	Hot Filled Tortilla Boat with Salad
Second Course	Ice Cream Tub	Jelly & Fruit	Fruity Frozen Yoghurt & Peaches	Strawberry Dessert	Homemade Dessert

Salad Bar, Fresh Fruit Salad, Yoghurt, Cheese & Crackers, Water, Semi-Skimmed Milk & Bread Basket Available Daily

OUR FAITH, OUR PLANET, OUR COMMITMENTS

A **FREE** annual conference around climate change to identify ways of taking action to reduce our carbon footprint, with workshops, food and networking. The event is on **September 14th starting at 6.30pm** at Manchester Museum, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9PL. To register <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/our-faith-our-planet-our-commitments/>



Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor Representative for a term of office of four years.

Parent Governors should be a practising Catholic and should have a genuine commitment to the educational, personal and spiritual development of students and in particular to the wellbeing of the school community as a whole. Governors work voluntarily.

Click on the links or visit the school website for further information about the role of a parent governor and what to do if you are interested in applying the role.

[Notification of an Election](#)

[Being a Parent Governor](#)

