

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

In this Sunday's Gospel, the people praised Jesus. There are many things for which we can praise God (e.g. a loving family, good friends, caring teachers and for always having a good friend – Jesus – who loves us and never forgets us). Praising God brings happiness; it's what we were made for. This Sunday also marks the start of Holy Week when we consider further how Jesus suffered and died for us.

"Lord, open my heart, mind and ears to receive your Word."



When Jesus and his disciples were on their way to Jerusalem, they came to the Mount of Olives. Jesus sent two of his disciples into the nearby village to collect a donkey. He said to them, "If anyone stops

you, tell them that it is for the Lord, and that the donkey will be returned." So the disciples set off and found the donkey. When they untied it from its post, some people said to them, "What are you doing?" The disciples answered just as Jesus had told them, and the people let the disciples take the donkey to Jesus. Then Jesus rode

into Jerusalem. People were spreading their cloaks and palm branches on the road in front of him. They praised God, shouting: "Hosanna! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heavens!"



"God is full of love: to him be praise forever!" **Pope Francis** The Wednesday word is **Praise**

Holy Week events

Next week is Holy Week when we will be thinking about The Passion of Jesus Christ. The children in KS2 will be performing the events of Holy Week through individual tableaus from 'Born for This.' This will be recorded and put onto Google Classroom for you all to see so that families can reflect together on the most important events of the Church's year.

Stations of the Cross

During Holy Week, Mrs Badland, the Faith Ambassadors and the Confirmandi children will be walking the Stations of the Cross in our Sacred Heart Prayer garden. Mrs Badland will also be recording the Stations of the Cross for children to walk themselves at home via Google Classroom. Thank you to Mrs Badland for organising this important time of prayer.



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Lenten almsgiving- Father Hudson's Care Homes

Thank you to the children who have already sent in their sponsor money to school. We hope they enjoyed receiving their special certificates to mark their generosity. Please send in all sponsor money next week. Raffle tickets for Easter eggs will be on sale until next Wednesday for 20p. Thank you for how generous you have been in raising money for this worthy cause.

Reading Books

It has been lovely to see the children enjoying and getting back into the routine of bringing their reading books to school each day. Please take time to read with your child each evening; it is so important to their progress.

Sadly, some new books have already been damaged or lost. A reminder that all books will have to be paid for in these circumstances at a cost of £5.00 each. Please ensure that books are put straight back into your child's bag once they have completed their reading to avoid this happening.

Parking around school premises

Can we again remind all parents to be considerate when parking outside the school gates. The yellow markings are areas where cars should not be parked and residents driveways must be left clear. Please do not park in the private car park opposite the school on Earlsbury Gardens as it is for residents only. It is of the upmost importance that parents are mindful when parking for the safety of all children and pedestrians.

End of term

Please remember that school closes to all children from Thursday 1st April and reopens on Monday 19th April.

Term dates for Summer Term 2021

Term starts: Monday 19th April 2021 Half Term – Monday 31st May 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021 Term ends: Wednesday 21st July 2021 **Inset Day** Monday 7th June 2021

Gospel Virtues

This half term, the children are learning to be attentive and discerning. They are growing to be attentive to their experience and to their vocation; and discerning about the choices they make and the effects of those choices.

Congratulations to the following children for living out these virtues: Savannah, Emarna, Joaquin, Noemi, Monae, Princely and Africa.



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Commendations

The following children have been commended by their teachers and teaching assistants for their wonderful work in school: Awesome, Josephine, Kha'mya, Zabreena, Karen, Mathius and Frank.

Presentation Awards

Well done to the following children who have shown such pride in the presentation of their work this week. Elime, Khalisa-Mai, Kymani, Fola, Bisrat, Nikola and Camara.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr G M O'Hara Executive Principal Mrs G Elliott Acting Head of School

Mrs D Cooper Acting Vice Principal



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