

# Heart Beat ...keeping your finger on the pulse!



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

## Next week will be Dinner Menu 1

### Advent

Pupils in Key Stage Two will be visiting church on the morning of Wednesday 16th December. They will visit in their separate year group bubbles for collective worship. The theme we will explore is 'Rejoice' and we will think about how Mary felt when she heard that she was to be the mother of God. It will be a quiet and thoughtful time for us to share in our personal preparation for Christmas. Please remember your coats as we will be walking to church!

#### Christmas Dinner—Reminder

Please see the letters sent out via Parent Mail (also available on our website). Children are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper for their dinner.

**Tuesday 15th December: Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6**

**Wednesday 16th December: Reception, Year 1, Year 2**

**If you have not ordered a Christmas lunch, don't forget to bring your own packed lunch.**

#### Children's Christmas Parties

##### Reminder

Wear your own clothes and party! Thursday 17th December 2020 for all children.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS – COVID-19

We are all looking forward to our Christmas break, more so this year than ever before! I hope that you and your families will all keep safe, by following all the guidelines which our Government have put in place. The next few days are particularly crucial in ensuring that we reduce the potential spread of the virus and avoid the need for self-isolation at Christmas.

So over the coming week, please do not send your child into school if they are not well. Please keep them at home if they are ill. Please book a Covid-19 test for them, if they have any of the symptoms of Covid-19. Do not take any chances and if you are uncertain, be cautious.

**The following information explains our school procedures for 'track and trace' during the first few days of the holiday period.**

If your child, develops Covid-19 symptoms on either Sat 19<sup>th</sup> or Sun 20<sup>th</sup> December, you should book a Covid-19 test.

If the result is positive, it is essential that you inform school, using the following email address:

[slt@sacredheart.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:slt@sacredheart.wigan.sch.uk)

- Our senior leaders will be monitoring this email box, up to, and including Christmas Eve.
- If we receive a notification of a positive case, we will carry out a risk assessment. This will involve identifying all the close contacts of the positive case, during the infectious period.
- The infectious period is the 48 hours before Covid-19 symptoms began. Therefore, if symptoms start on either Sat 19<sup>th</sup> or Sun 20<sup>th</sup>, the infectious period falls on Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> and Fri 18<sup>th</sup> December.
- We will contact you (if needed), regarding a positive case through Parent Mail. Please check your Parent Mail App for any up-dates over the holidays.
- If you receive a notification through Parent Mail, we will attach a letter which will provide further details regarding self-isolation over the Christmas period.
- If your child will not be returning to school after the holidays because of self-isolation, please inform us when school opens again on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

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Congratulations to the following children who have been presented with their awards in class today,  
Friday 11th December

Class Teacher	STAR OF THE WEEK	WORKER OF THE WEEK
RH Miss Duffy	Gabriel E	Imogen K
RS Mrs Beardsworth	Matilda P	Charlotte Y
1H Mrs Hart	Milana K	Tori M
1S/2S Mr Sankey	Lilly H	Tyler S
2H Miss Draper	Esther B	Thea B
3H Miss Pike	Alfie J	Jamie P
3S Miss Prescott	Stanley P	Poppy R
4H Mrs Dutfield	Ollie R	Aaron R
4S Mrs Ratchford	Louie W	Ellis K
5H Mrs Alty	Louis B	Lillie P
5S Mr Turner	Frankie R	Maisie P
6H Mrs Ryan	Charlotte C	Grace W
6S Mrs Leaford	Kacey T	Amelia A

## Elf, Grinch or Lollipop?

Lisa Lollipop would like to have some Christmas fun with you all as you cross over the road on the last day of term. She would like to dress up as a Christmas Character. Who would you like her to be? The Grinch or a Christmas Elf? or perhaps you just love her in her usual lollipop crossing patrol outfit! Let her know what you prefer, as you cross the road each day, or you could join our poll on Facebook. I think Grinch is winning at the moment!



## Nursery Places Available

If you have a child who turns 3 before 31st December 2020, we have Nursery places available for January 2021. Please tell your friends and family! Contact the school office for more information.

**Social Media and on-line chat** – How often do you check your child's social media? It is really important that as parents you are fully aware of what your child takes part in, when on-line. We teach our pupils about on-line safety and responsible use of IT in school. But, we cannot monitor their usage when they use personal devices at home. We cannot monitor the sites they access and check that they are age appropriate.

Problems caused by insensitive behaviour by children, on-line, can cause great upset to others. Please check what your child types when they are texting or in a 'chat room' and ensure that they are not causing any harm. Sadly, on-line bullying is a growing problem in society and one which is responsible for the growing incidents of mental health problems. Please take time, to check your child's devices. Thank you.

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