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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to everyone who has joined us for the Harvest Festival Assemblies this week. The children in Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2 loved sharing their prayers and songs with you.

Thank you for your generosity in donating food for the Harvest table. The food will be shared to those in need in the local community through Forum Housing. Thank you for your donations for Own Clothes Day, which will be sent to CAFOD who work to alleviate hunger around the globe.

I'm delighted to be able to share the week's news and updates with you and to be able to showcase a few of the activities the children have enjoyed. Attendance last week was high across the school which means more children were able to participate in the many learning opportunities. Thank you for your support for your children by encouraging their daily attendance and prompt arrival at school.

Playground Developments

It's been exciting to see the new equipment being installed on the KS2 playground this week. New flooring is to be laid down to the fitness area, during the holidays. After this there will be training for staff and then for the pupils in how to use the equipment safely. Children will not be able to use the equipment unless they have had an induction at school, so please make sure they do not miss this as these sessions will take place during the first two weeks back at school after half term.

PTA Meeting

The date for the Sacred Heart Christmas Fair has been set for Friday 2nd December, from 3.45pm-5.30pm. In order for this event to be our best ever, we need lots of help from volunteers from the Parents and Staff Community. If you would like to help with planning this event, the PTA will meet at The Grange Pub, (address-407 Hoylake Road Moreton, CH46 6DQ) on Tuesday 1st November at 6.15pm. I look forward to seeing you there.

Year 6 Transfer to Secondary School

Parents of pupils in Year 6 are reminded to complete and submit the preference form to the Local Authority by the deadline of 31st October. You can use the link here to access the form

www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions

We hope that you will consider continuing the Catholic Education of your child as they transfer to secondary school. On Thursday this week the Headteacher from St Mary's College, Mr Maddocks, visited Sacred Heart to talk to parents and pupils from year 6. Mr Maddocks was accompanied by Mr Wilson and two past pupils from Sacred Heart, George and Lily. It was interesting to hear from

the students about how St Mary's has provided a warm welcome to them on their transition, and how they are supported in various aspects of their school life.

For those who were unable to attend, the key message is that St Mary's is likely to be oversubscribed for September 2023, however, as your child is from a partner school, St Mary's would love to know that. Therefore, if you are putting St Mary's on the preference form it would be to your advantage to contact the school to inform them of this.

Football Cards

Football cards are not allowed in school.

Opportunities at Sacred Heart

Would you like the opportunity to be considered for a role as a midday supervisor at Sacred Heart? If so, please email the school office with your name and contact details by Friday 4th November to register your interest and we will be in touch with further information.

Diary Dates

The calendar below has some important dates for the whole year. This is to help you plan for events throughout the school year, and should help if you need to book time off work. Further information about school events will be shared throughout the year.

The following terms are used on the diary:

EYFS means Nursery and Reception

KS1 means Year 1 and Year 2

KS2 means Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

TAG Rugby

Well done to our Year 3 children who took part in tag rugby this evening. They played very well, missing first place by just 1 point!

Cross Country at Birkenhead Park on Thursday

We had lots of KS2 children participating in Cross Country at Birkenhead Park this week! The children did so well, competing against hundreds of contestants. Five of our children were placed in the top 30, which is a fantastic achievement! Thank you for representing our school so well.

Foundation 2

This week in Foundation 2, the children have been learning all about Autumn. They have learnt that animals collect lots of food in Autumn as it is harder to find food in the colder months. They have made bird feeders for the birds to enjoy!



Year 1

Year 1 had a busy, exciting Art Day last Friday focusing on spirals. They drew large spirals with graphite, and drew spiral pictures on our playground with chalk. They made spirals with mosaic tiles and experimented with oil pastels and colour for their snail drawings. The children should be very proud of their work!



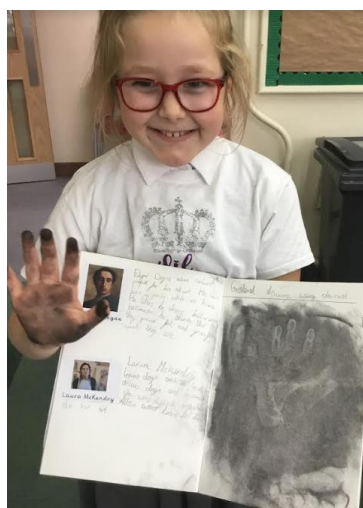
Year 2

Year 2 collected natural autumn materials and made art based on artist Andy Goldsworthy. They had so much fun exploring different drawing techniques in our Art Day this week.



Year 3

Year 3 had a great time learning about gestural drawings using charcoal. They have found out more about Laura McKendry and Edgar Degas and tried to master their techniques for themselves.



Year 4

4W enjoyed a wonderful visit to Moreton library this week. They listened to a Lola and Charlie story with the title 'But that's My Book', and everybody choose a book to take back to school. Thank you to the staff at Moreton Library for a lovely experience

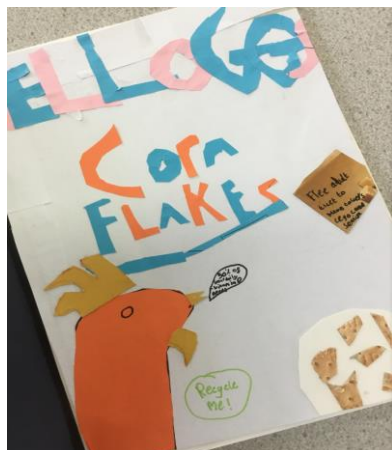


Year 5 This week 5S have been using their class Chromebooks to research the Geographical features of the Earth and Moon. Contrary to popular belief, the moon is not made of cheese!



Year 6

On Monday, Year Six took part in an Art day. They explored different food packaging, typography, and artist techniques using drawing ink. The children then went on to redesign their packaging by creating attractive images and typography- we think the results are fantastic. Well done to Year Six!



Gardening Club

On Friday the gardening club planted daffodil and tulip bulbs in the garden. We can't wait to see them growing in Spring.



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Yours sincerely,

Mrs M. Jackson
Headteacher

Diary Dates 2022-2023

Date	Time	Activity
Tuesday 15.11.22		Parents' Evening
Wednesday 16.11.22		Parents' Evening
Friday 18.11.22	6pm	Snowflake Event at Sacred Heart Church
Monday 21.11.22	5pm	Yr 5 Parents and Pupils PGL meeting
Friday 2.12.22	3.40pm-5.30pm	Christmas Fayre
Friday 9.12.22	9.15am	EYFS Christmas Production
Monday 12.12.22	2.30pm	KS1 Christmas Production
Tuesday 13.12.22	2.30pm	KS1 Christmas Production
Wednesday 14.12.22	1.30pm	KS2 Christmas Carol Concert (Venue TBC)
Thursday 15.12.22		Christmas Party Day
Friday 16.12.22		Children finish for Christmas

Wednesday 4 th January 2023		Return to school Wednesday 4 th January 2023
Friday 17.2.23		FINISH FOR HALF TERM
Tuesday 14.3.23	3.45pm	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 15.3.23	3.45pm	Parents' Evening
Thursday 16.3.23	9.15am	Mothering Sunday Assembly- EYFS
Friday 17.3.23	9.15am	Mothering Sunday Assembly- Years 1 and 2
Friday 17.3.23	2.15pm	Mothering Sunday Assembly- Years 1 and 2
Friday 31.3.23		FINISH FOR EASTER HOLIDAY

Monday 1.5.23		BANK HOLIDAY
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Tuesday 2.5.23		KS1 Test Period Begins No Holidays will be authorised for Year 2 children during month of May, whatever the circumstances.
Week of Monday 8.5.23		KS2 SATS WEEK No Holidays will be authorised for Year 6 children this week, whatever the circumstances.

Week of Monday 5.6.23		Multiplication Check period begins- No holidays will be authorised authorised for Year 4 children this week, whatever the circumstances for the whole of this month.
Week of Monday 12.6.23		Phonics Screening week. No Holidays will be authorised for Year 1 and 2 children during this week, whatever the circumstances.
Friday 16.6.23		10am Mass at Church for Feast of the Scared Heart
Friday 16.6.23	4.00pm	Annual Reports go out to parents
Monday 3.7.23	am	KS1 Sports Day
Monday 3.7.22	pm	KS2 Sports Day
Thursday 10.5.23	4pm	Meeting for Parents of Pupils in Year 5 on Arrangements for Transition to Secondary School. Year 5 teachers to attend
Friday 26.5.23		FINISH FOR HALF TERM

Tuesday 4.7.22	TBC	EYFS sports day
Wednesday 5.7.23	3.45pm	Parents' Evening for those who wish to discuss reports
Monday 10.7.23	am	KS1 Reserve Sports Day
Monday 10.7.23	pm	KS2 Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday 11.7.23	TBC	EYFS Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday 18.7.23	9am-9.45am	Leavers' Mass
Wednesday 19.7.23		Year 6 Leavers' Festival
Wednesday 19.7.23		FINISH FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY