

## **NEWSLETTER NO.11 AUTUMN TERM – 04 DEC 2020**

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### MISSION IN ACTION AWARDS LOVE, LEARN, GROW, WORSHIP





RECEPTION	Tabitha	WORSHIP: For her thoughtful comments in RE and her knowledge on the Advent wreath
	Juliette	GROW: For contributing lovely ideas during class discussions
	Pippin	LEARN: For super recognition of sight words
YEAR 1	Tabitha	LEARN: For beautiful reading and for a great effort to join up her writing
	Barney	LEARN: For lovely writing about his robot
	Ottilie	LEARN: For very good Maths work adding money
YEAR 2	Harriet	LEARN: For her excellent non-fiction book about kangaroos
	Harry	LEARN: For super mental Maths this week
	Lara	GROW and LOVE: For settling in to Y2 at Sacred Heart so beautifully!
YEAR 3	Orla	LEARN: For the most fantastic work in English this week!
YEAR 4	Fabian	GROW: For his enthusiasm towards poetry writing and for working so hard all week.
	Winnie	LOVE: For thinking of others and always being ready to offer a helping hand.
YEAR 5	Whole Class	GROW: For a fantastic class assembly.
	Olivia	LEARN & GROW: For taking such pride in her work and always being her best self
	Michael	LEARN: For working so hard in maths
YEAR 6	Whole Class	GROW: For finishing their amphorae despite many setbacks. They are super! Well done!
	Aryana	LOVE: For always quietly being helpful in class
	Bella	LOVE: For being such a positive and cheerful member of the class
FRIENDSHIP	Lara (Y2)	For being kind and caring to her new friends in KS1
PE	Harriet (Y1) Annabel (Y4)	For excellent effort in PE and great hockey shooting skills For excellent attitude in PE



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#### **ACADEMIC NEWS and SCHOLARSHIP SUCCESS**

Congratulations to our Y6 pupils who received news of their success in 11 + exams recently. We are very proud of you, not just for your great results but for all your hard work and perseverance in this strangest of years. The season for secondary school offers has just begun and we are delighted to congratulate Alfred, Y6, on his offer of a Sports Scholarship for Y7&8 at Rose Hill School, Tunbridge Wells.

#### **GUITAR LESSONS**

We have been successful in recruiting a new peripatetic guitar teacher, Mr Ashley Hards, who comes highly recommended from local schools including Mayfield Girls, and we welcome him to our school. For those KS2 pupils interested in learning the guitar, particularly those who played before, Mr Hards has provided us with the following presentation link through which you can contact him directly otherwise please contact the office and we will put you in touch with him. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9</a> F3 A-vhYQ&feature=voutu.be

#### **PTA NEWS**

**PTA ONLINE AUCTION -** Don't forget our PTA Online Auction is now open. There are many wonderful auction lots this year and the event will run until 10pm on 11th December. Keep checking as we will be adding new lots throughout this time to add to the excitement. <a href="https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/sacredheartchristmasauction">https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/sacredheartchristmasauction</a>

#### PTA RAINBOW HAMPER RAFFLE IS HERE!

This year our ever-popular hamper raffle will be manged online to keep us all as safe as possible during these challenging times. However, the hampers are looking as fantastic as ever! You have until midday on Friday 11th December to buy your tickets and the winners can collect their beautiful hampers from Monday 14th December. Good luck everyone! https://raffall.com/SacredHeartWadhurst



#### DECORATE THE TREE COMPETITION

No need to shop for decoration with the Sacred Heart elves hard at work. Our Christmas tree this year is bursting with enchanting original designs. So hard to choose winners from such a wide range of delightful decorations!

#### **WINNERS**

- Foundation Stage: Helen, Joseph and Jemima
- Key Stage 1: Annie, Tolly and Marcus & Lucy
  - Key Stage 2: Sophie, Willow and Laila

#### **WADHURST WARRIORS**

Wadhurst Warriors invited Sacred Heart pupils to write their name and wish onto a ribbon and hanging on 2 large trees put up at the weekend in the village for Christmas along with the festive lights. Our pupils were delighted to join in and their ribbons were collected last Friday and the photos show just how successful this has been.







#### **RAINFOREST AWARDS Y3**

The task of choosing just one or two overall winners was exceptionally difficult this year as every child in Y3 demonstrated their learning so effectively through their creative Rainforest models. Huge congratulations to you all for your wonderful creativity and enthusiasm and in particular to:

- Susie and Willow GOLD Award
- Mae SILVER Award
- Paddy BRONZE Award







#### SCHOOL CHRISTMAS POST BOX

The Christmas Post Box is now open – last day for collections Monday 14th December.

# BOOK REVIEW COMPETITION 4<sup>th</sup> December 2020 – 10<sup>th</sup> January 2021

It is no secret that reading is the key to success in so many areas so we are encouraging the children to get lost in a book over the Christmas holiday period and

compose a review to participate in a competition being run by Barnetts, our local independent bookshop. Follow the links below for full details.

Wadhurst Culture and Barnett's Book Shop in Wadhurst are running this competition and full details can be found on the following website: <a href="https://www.wadhurstculture.org.uk/post/book-review-competition-for-primary-school-students">https://www.wadhurstculture.org.uk/post/book-review-competition-for-primary-school-students</a>

and Facebook page; <a href="https://www.facebook.com/wadhurst.culture">https://www.facebook.com/wadhurst.culture</a>
Tell us about your favourite story and perhaps why you like it.

KS1 students can draw a picture and KS2 students should write up to 250 words.

Submit by the closing date via email to: wadhurstculture@gmail.com OR take to Barnett's



BOOK REVIEW







ENTER TO WIN FREE TOTE BAGS OR BOOK TOKENS

# Another busy and exciting week at Sacred Heart School where learning is fun!

YEAR 1

Children have been preparing for Christmas, Jesus' birthday, by making an Advent wreath. They learnt about why the wreath is a circle and made from evergreen leaves. They know why it has four candles, which colours they have and that they represent hope, peace, joy and love. If you ask, they will tell you all about it - I hope! They made their own Advent calendar and each wrote a special daily focus on a card. They look forward to 'their turn' to open their envelope and share the message inside it – and the chocolate coin!



In English they are working on a class non-fiction book about Robots. They drew their own Robot, added labels, named it and described what it can do, including an 'Amazing fact'. Here are a few examples.

My robot is a Super Spider Robot. It has long legs and it can go 200 mph and it can protect my house and it can make a Legoland.

Amazing fact: it is a castle robot and it is iron. And it is the king of the robots.

Freddie

My robot is a Metal Man Robot. My robot can lift up metal things and strong things and wood. He is the strongest man. He can make a bus.

Amazing fact: he can turn into a car and he is wood. And he can turn into a Lamborghini.

Teddy





My robot catches fish. It catches fish by shooting the fish. My robot can drive on the ocean floor.

Amazing fact: it can catch a great white shark!



My robot is a Wheel Robot. He has lightning bolts. He likes to play with me and he reads me a bed time story. I like my robot and my robot likes me. My robot can say something. Annemieke



My robot can tidy my bedroom and I can relax my back. And it can go invisible and it is made from metal. Isabelle

My robot is a Taxi Robot. It takes me to school and it has an engine and it has an exhaust pipe. And this is a fun fact: it goes 2,000 miles per hour!
Tolly



My robot can help me tidy up my toys. It can read me a bedtime story. My robot is metal. It can help me go to sleep. Evan

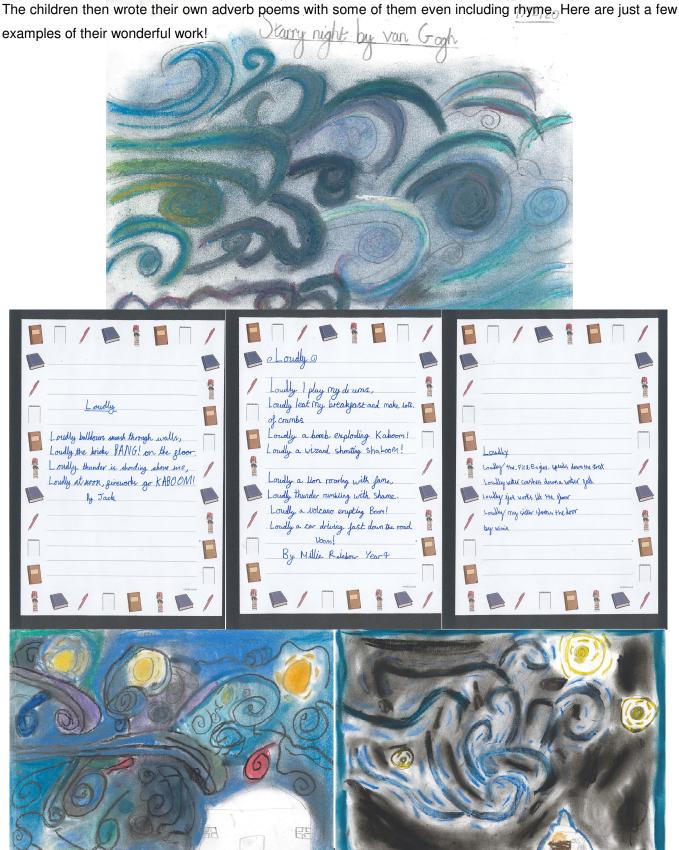
It can clean up my whole house and that means he is very kind. It is made from metal. My robot can talk.

Tabitha

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There has been lots of learning going on in Year 4 this week. In Art, the children have been sketching and painting buildings in vibrant colours topped with golden domes. The children have also been learning about the artist Van Gogh and sketching their own interpretations of "Starry Night" using pencil and oil pastels. In English, we have been looking at poetry and the techniques of alliteration, simile, metaphor and expanded noun phrases. The children then wrote their own adverb poems with some of them even including rhyme. Here are just a few





Year 5 have been busy writing recounts about UFO sightings in their local area. They all created a photograph or picture of a UFO using tips learnt from famous UFO hoaxes. These were shown hovering above their gardens or in their local parks. Members of the family and even pets were recruited as extras! They then wrote their own recounts of the sightings to go with the pictures. They used the features of recounts in their reports and dramatic titles to draw the reader in. They make scary reading! Together they form an excellent display in the Year 5 classroom as you can see from the pictures!



They have also been rehearsing and performing their class Assembly, which this year is all about Advent. The children worked really hard to learn their lines and perform their Assembly. They described Christmas traditions throughout the world and how other countries celebrate. They explained the candles on the Advent wreath, the significance of each candle, and when it is lit in church in the weeks before Christmas. They also reminded us of the real meaning of Christmas which is to celebrate the birth of Jesus. We must remember, especially in the current pandemic, that sharing our time and being with the people we love is much more important than giving and receiving gifts.

