



## NEWSLETTER NO.1 SUMMER TERM – 24<sup>th</sup> APR 2026

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# WELCOME BACK



We are delighted to welcome all our pupils and families back to school for the Summer Term looking so smart and cheerful in their summer uniforms. The lovely sunshine has brought a fresh sense of energy to the school, and it has been lovely to see everyone settling back into their routines with such enthusiasm.

We hope you enjoyed a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

The Summer Term is always a busy and exciting time in the school calendar, with a wide range of academic, sporting, and co-curricular opportunities planned. From outdoor learning and fixtures to performances and school trips, there is much for the children to look forward to.



*Key policies are available via the school website or on request from the school.*

# MISSION IN ACTION AWARDS

WOWS for FOUNDATION STAGE		Nursery: Elise, Robyn, Hebe, Georgia, Louisa, Francesca, Edith, Clemmie, Bronte and Sebastian. Reception: Chester and Lucia.
BUSY BEES' STARS		TUES: Bronte (N2) WED: Lucia (R) & Imogen (Y4) THU: Amelie (Y3)
RECEPTION	Atticus	LEARN: For his outstanding contributions throughout all of his learning.
	Jett	LOVE: For showing love in all that he does.
YEAR 1	Oscar	LEARN & GROW: For his fabulous Borneo journal and for presenting it confidently, using excellent vocabulary.
YEAR 2	Isobel	LEARN: For brilliant participation in all subjects.
	Edward	LEARN: For excellent descriptive writing in English.
	Annie	LEARN: For fantastic 3D shape work in Maths.
YEAR 3	Tai	LEARN: For returning to school with a positive attitude towards her learning and trying to work with more independence.
	Tom	LEARN & GROW: For working hard on our Earth Day activity this week. He put in a great effort to ensure his writing was neat and coloured it beautifully!
	Miller	LEARN: For having particularly good focus this week, contributing lots in class and answering questions. Well done!
YEAR 4	Whole Class	LOVE: For being so kind, welcoming and helpful to Mrs Griffiths. We have had a great first week together.
	Ellen	WORSHIP: For using Godly play creatively to show her understanding of the scripture when Jesus forgave Peter.
	Lucia	LEARN: For using a growth mindset in Maths to challenge herself.
YEAR 5	Isla	LEARN: For making great predictions about our new text in English and for writing about it so well.
	Millie M	LEARN: For amazingly accurate and speedy work in Maths, showing particular brilliance with negative numbers!
YEAR 6	Annemieke	LOVE & LEARN: For being so enthusiastic about their learning and for being polite, cheerful and positive.
	Arthur	
MUSIC	Bella (R)	For fantastic concentration, lovely singing and learning her song actions so well!
	Henry (Y2)	For quietly getting on with the task at hand and for good teamwork in class music.
SOCIAL CATHOLIC TEACHING	Oscar (Y1)	Care for Creation - For picking up plastic pollution on the shores of Dinawan Island and planting elephant grass.
	Órlaith (Y4)	
	Q P-P (Y1)	Option for the Poor – For selling homemade lemonade and donating the proceeds to the 'This is Us Youth dance' charity.
	A P-P (Y6)	
	Bea (Y2)	Human Dignity – For cutting her hair and donating it to the 'Princess Trust' charity for children with cancer.





### Congratulations:

- **Lucia (Y4)** – For achieving your Level 7 certificate and 200m badge at swimming.
- **Isobel (Y2)** – For achieving your Level 2 certificate at swimming.
- **Edward (Y1)** – For achieving your Level 1 Water Skills certificate at swimming.
- **Jemima (Y5)** – On completing your 5K swimathon challenge and raising £120 for Marie Curie.
- **Matty (Y6)** – For achieving a Distinction with 99/100 in his LAMDA Level 1 Solo Acting.
- **Matty (Y6)** – For passing his Grade 3 piano exam with a Merit.
- **Liam (Y6)** – On achieving Gold in the recent Primary Maths Challenge bonus round.
- **Matty (Y6)** – On his participation in the recent Primary Maths Challenge bonus round.



Congratulations to Teddy (Y6) for being invited to be a mascot for Chelsea at their FA Cup quarter final against Port Vale. He met the players and walked out with the team at Stamford Bridge.

Sophie-Ann (Y5) and Helen (Y3) participated in a week's music/orchestral course at the London conservatory - Guildhall School of Music and Drama.



## IDTA AWARDS

<b>YEAR 1</b>	Elizabeth	Freestyle	Rosette - Purple
	Harry	Freestyle	Rosette – Purple
<b>YEAR 2</b>	Ella	Freestyle	Rosette – Purple
		Theatre Ballet	Rosette - Wine
	Annie	Freestyle	Rosette – Purple
	Ylva	Freestyle	Rosette – Purple
		Theatre Ballet	Rosette – Wine
	Cherry	Freestyle	Rosette – Purple
	Isobel	Freestyle	Rosette – Purple
	Billy	Musical Theatre	Honours
<b>YEAR 3</b>	Eliza	Freestyle	Highly Commended
	Meg	Freestyle	Honours
<b>YEAR 4</b>	Poppy	Freestyle Bronze	Honours
		Acrobatic Dance	Distinction
		Musical Theatre	Honours
		RAD Grade 2 Ballet	High Merit
	Órlaith	Freestyle Bronze	Highly Commended
	Ellen	Freestyle Bronze	Highly Commended
<b>YEAR 5</b>	Edie	Freestyle Silver	Highly Commended
	Millie	Freestyle Silver	Highly Commended
	Tabitha	Freestyle Silver	Honours
	Emilia	Freestyle Silver	Honours
	Emily	Freestyle Silver	Highly Commended
		RAD Grade 2 Ballet	Merit
<b>TEACHERS</b>	Mrs Gabriel	Tap Adult Bronze	Honours
	Mrs Root	Tap Adult Bronze	Honours
	Mrs Turner	Tap Adult Bronze	Honours



# DIARY DATES – SUMMER TERM

<b>WEEK 2 – CLUBS START</b>		
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield School	08:20 – 10:15
	School Open Morning	09:30 & 11:00
	U11/10 Mixed Tag Rugby Festival @ Crowborough	TBC
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> April	U9/8 Boys – No Fixture – Team Training	-
	U9/8 Girls Cricket v St Ronan's (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Awards Assembly	09:00
	Parent & Toddler Session in Nursery	09:00 – 10:30
	U9/8 Girls Netball v Battle Abbey (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
<b>WEEK 3</b>		
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday	-
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Sir David Attenborough Day (100 <sup>th</sup> Birthday) – Details to follow	-
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield School	08:20 – 10:15
	Y6 Bowles Residential	-
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 Bowles Residential	-
	U9/8 Boys + Y4 Girls Cricket v Skippers Hill (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U8 Girls – No Fixture – Team Training	-
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Awards Assembly	09:00
	Y6 Bowles Residential	-
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA Jumble Sale – School Hall	14:30 – 16:30
<b>WEEK 4</b>		
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
	Y3 & Y4 School Visit to Bore Place	-
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Open Classrooms – Foundation Stage	08:30 – 08:45
	School Photography – Class Photos and Y6 Sport	09:00 – 10:30
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Open Classrooms – KS1 (Y1 & Y2)	08:30 – 08:45
	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:20 – 10:15
	U11/10 Mixed Cricket v Beechwood (Home)	14:00 – 15:30
	U11/10 Mixed Cricket v Beechwood (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	Spring Music Concert	17:00 – 18:00
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Open Classrooms LKS2 (Y3 & Y4)	08:30 – 08:45
	U9/8 No Fixture – Sports Day Training	-
	Spring Music Concert	17:00 – 18:00
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Open Classrooms UKS2 (Y5 & Y6)	08:30 – 08:45
	Awards Assembly	09:00
	Parent & Toddler Stay & Play – Nursery	09:00 – 10:30
	PTA School Disco	15:30 – 18:00
<b>WEEK 5</b>		
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
Tue 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Skills for Life Club Enterprise Sale @ Break	10:30 – 11:00
	U11/10 Girls Cricket Tournament @ Bells Yew Green (Away)	12:30 – 16:30
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:20 – 10:15
	U11/10 Boys Cricket v Claremont (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U11/10 Girls Cricket v St Ronan's (Home)	14:00 – 15:30
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Y1 Pentecost Assembly & Awards Assembly	09:00 – 09:30
	U9/8 No Fixture – Sports Day Training	-
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Neurodiversity Coffee Morning for Parents – Staff Room	09:00 – 10:00
	Whole School Spanish Day with Flamenco workshops	-
<b>HALF TERM – 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY – 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY</b>		
<b>BACK TO SCHOOL - MONDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE</b>		

# PARENT NOTICES



## COFFEE MORNINGS

As we live in a neurodiverse world, and having listened to our parent voices, we would like to set up a support group for any parent at the Sacred Heart School who either has a child with any diagnosis (this can range from Dyslexia to ASD to ADHD, Sensory Processing and anything in between) or feels that they may be on the beginning of a journey to understand some signs or symptoms in their child.

If you are a parent with a child who finds transitions hard or with a child who finds it difficult to emotionally regulate their

feelings, please do come along to our next session on **Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026**.

## CATHOLIC LIFE - Addition to the Sacred Heart School website

As part of our work on updating our school website, you will now be able to read information about our weekly Celebration of the Word assemblies. Each week, the theme of our assembly is introduced on a Monday, and the children are asked to "Go Forth" reflecting on the message of the Gospel. Please follow the link to read more: [Celebration of the Word | Sacred Heart School](#).

Just a reminder that any parent is welcome to join our Celebration of the Word assembly on a Monday morning at 9am in the hall.

## HAIR AND SNACKS REMINDER

We kindly ask that children with hair that sits below the collar have it tied back each day. This supports hygiene, safety, and comfort during lessons and activities.

We would also like to remind parents that snacks for break times should be healthy. Please avoid chocolate and any items containing nuts, and instead opt for options such as fruit, vegetables, or other nutritious foods that help sustain children's energy and focus throughout the day.

Thank you for your support.



## EARTH DAY

On Wednesday 22 April we celebrated Earth Day across the school with every child invited to decorate their own hand pledge which will form part of our new Earth and Care for Creation display in the hall. Classes joined in with a variety of activities including a special liturgy in Year 6 linking to Laudato Si and Year 4 were treated to a special report all about Borneo by our own Órlaith Lowe. Children were given Earth Day badges, and we are thinking across the school about ways in which we are Stewards of the Earth as part of our Catholic Social Teaching.

Congratulations to Mrs Barber, our Year 4 class teacher who welcomed a beautiful baby girl into the world earlier this week.

We send our warmest congratulations and heartfelt wishes to the whole family as they begin this precious new chapter.

Welcome to the world—and to the Sacred Heart family, Connie Harriet Barber.



**SPRING MUSIC CONCERTS 2026**

- \* Wednesday 13th May: 5pm – 6pm \*
- \* Thursday 14th May: 5pm – 6pm \*
- \* Year groups will be mixed in both concerts \*

**ACCREDITED CLUB ★★**  
PART OF ENGLAND FOOTBALL

**Free Taster Sessions**  
for children starting Reception to Year 2 in September 2026 at  
**ROTHERFIELD JUNIOR FC**

- Saturday 9th May 10am
- Saturday 6th June 9am
- Saturday 4th July 9am
- Saturday 1 August 9am

sessions taking place at Rotherfield Recreation Ground, TN6 3LX

Contact enquiriesrfc1883@gmail.com or scan the QR code to register your child.

**Year 5 Open Morning Invitation**

Come and experience life at Uplands Academy. Your visit will include a guided tour with our Student Ambassadors, the chance to see lessons in action, an introduction to our values and opportunities from Year 7, and a short presentation and Q&A with senior staff.

**Event Details**

- Monday 27 April – Friday 1 May 2026
- 9:00 – 11:00am
- Uplands Academy, Lower High Street, Wadhurst TN5 6AZ
- Spaces are limited and booking is essential

**Next Steps**

Scan the QR code to book your place

**UPLANDS**

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## SAFEGUARDING

Please report any safeguarding concerns you have directly to the one of the adults listed below.



**Mrs Johanna Collyer**  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs Emma Nixon**  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs Antonia Gabriel**  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs Sarah Alcock**  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

***If any parent or carer from Sacred Heart School has any questions to ask, concerns to raise or needs to inform the school of a situation, please feel free to approach a member of staff at any time. We operate an open-door policy here at Sacred Heart School.***