



NEWSLETTER NO.1 SPRING TERM – 16 JAN 2026

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MISSION IN ACTION AWARDS

WOWS for FOUNDATION STAGE		Nursery: Gus, Betty, Clementine, Matilda and Mallory. Reception: Alexandra and Maggie.
BUSY BEES STAR OF THE DAY		TUE: Oscar (Y1) WED: Lucia (R) THU: Nora (N)
RECEPTION	Darcey	WORSHIP: For sharing a beautiful prayer.
	Chester	LEARN: For his wonderful writing in his South Pole Suitcase.
YEAR 1	Elowen	LOVE & GROW: For settling so well into Year One and for being a kind friend to all.
	Harry	WORSHIP: For enthusiasm and excellent contributions in the RE lessons.
	Edmund	LEARN: For lovely writing about his preference for fiction books.
	Oscar	LEARN: For an excellent effort with his writing about his preference for non-fiction books.
YEAR 2	Billy	LEARN: For taking all his excellent knowledge from our RE learning and sharing it in the children's liturgy at Mass on Sunday.
	Luciano	
	Beau	GROW: For making great progress with his reading.
YEAR 3	Oscar	LEARN & GROW: Despite not feeling 100% this week, he has really tried to use his positive mindset to complete his work in lessons.
	Nansi	LEARN: For being a consistent contributor in class and always taking pride in her work!
	Hector	LEARN: For always asking insightful questions with regard to his learning. He is always looking to further his own learning! Keep it up!
YEAR 4	Kamila	LEARN: For her vivid descriptions in her creative writing.
	Meg	LEARN & WORSHIP: For sharing brilliant thinking and wondering questions in RE.
YEAR 5	Pippin	
	Penelope	LEARN: For fantastic contributions to discussions.
YEAR 6	Alexandra	LEARN & GROW: For working so hard in Maths this week and for her contributions to class discussions.
	Arthur	LOVE & GROW: For his focus this week and for being so helpful in class.
	Charlie	LEARN: For working hard in Geography this week when learning about North and South America.
MUSIC	Pearl (Y1)	For outstanding percussion skills in class music. Well done!
	Edie (Y5)	For hard work and excellent progress learning the recorder at home. Keep it up!
	Florence (Y5)	For great African dancing and co-ordination in class music.
	Sophie (Y5)	For her slick and stylish African dancing in class music.
PE	Pearl (Y1)	
	Edward (Y2)	For showing excellent application towards their rugby skills.





Congratulations:

- Lucia (Y4)** – For successfully passing to Red Stripe Belt in Taekwon-Do
- Nansi (Y3)** – For her trophy in the Tunbridge Wells Dance Festival for her Modern Trio



DIARY DATES

DIARY DATES – SPRING TERM		
WEEK 3		
Mon 19 th Jan	Celebration of the Word Assembly	09:00
Wed 21 st Jan	Year 5 Swimming @ Mayfield School	08:15 – 10:15
	U11/10 Boys Fixture v Hilden Oaks (Home)	14:15 – 15:30
Thu 22 nd Jan	U9/8 Boys Rugby v St Ronan's (Home)	14:15 – 15:30
	U9/8 Girls – No Fixture – Team Training	-
Fri 23 rd Jan	Awards Assembly	09:00
WEEK 4		
Mon 26 th Jan	Celebration of the Word Assembly	09:00
Wed 28 th Jan	Year 5 Swimming @ Mayfield School	08:15 – 10:15
	U11/10 Boys Rugby v Rose Hill (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U11/10 Girls – No Fixture – Team Training	-
Thu 29 th Jan	Reception & Year 6 Candlemas Assembly	09:00
	U9/8 Boys Rugby v Battle Abbey (Home)	14:15 – 15:30
	U9/8 Girls – No Fixture – Team Training	-
Fri 30 th Jan	Awards Assembly	09:00
	Neurodiversity Coffee Morning – Parents	09:00
WEEK 5		
Mon 2 nd Feb	Celebration of the Word Assembly	09:00
Tue 3 rd Feb	Open Classrooms – FS (Nursery & Reception)	08:30 – 08:45
Wed 4 th Feb	Year 3 Swimming @ Mayfield School	08:15 – 10:15
	Open Classrooms – KS1 (Year 1 & Year 2)	08:30 – 08:45
	U11/10 Girls Netball v Beechwood (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U11/10 Boys Rugby v Somerhill (Home)	14:15 – 15:45
Thu 5 th Feb	Open Classrooms – LKS2 (Year 3 & Year 4)	08:30 – 08:45
	Year 5 & Year 6 to see 'Be Our Guest' @ Trinity Theatre	13:00 – 15:30
	U9/8 Girls Hockey v St Ronan's (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U9/8 Boys – No Fixture – Team Practice	-
	PTA Meeting – Staff Room	15:45 – 16:15
Fri 6 th Feb	Open Classrooms – UKS2 (Year 5 & Year 6)	08:30 – 08:45
	Awards Assembly	09:00
	Parent & Toddler Drop In Session – Nursery	09:00 – 10:30
	NSPCC Number Day	
WEEK 6		
Mon 9 th Feb	Celebration of the Word Assembly	09:00
Tue 10 th Feb	Safer Internet Day	-
Wed 11 th Feb	Year 3 Swimming @ Mayfield School	08:15 – 10:15
	U11/10 Boys – No Fixture – Team Training	-
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Thu 12 th Feb	Year 5 Assembly	09:00
	U9/8 Boys Rugby v Rose Hill (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U9/8 Girls Netball v Beechwood (Home)	14:15 – 15:45
Fri 13 th Feb	Awards Assembly	09:00
HALF TERM HOLIDAYS		
16TH – 20TH FEBRUARY		

SPORTS FIXTURES

Wednesday, 14th January 2026

U11/10 Girls Netball v Skippers Hill (Away)

TEAM: Sophie, Sophia, Sienna, Poppy, Emilia-Rose, Isla, Jemima and Eva

RESULTS: Drew 4-4; Drew 0-0; Lost 0-4; Won 1-0

PLAYER OF THE MATCH: Emilia-Rose

TEAM: Alexandra, Tabitha, Alice, Hattie, Isla, Ottolie, A P-P and Sophia

RESULTS: Won 14-5

PLAYER OF THE MATCH: Hattie

U11/10 Boys Hockey v Skippers Hill (Home)

TEAM: Alex, Arthur, Liam, Matty, Oscar M, Teddy B and Teddy J

RESULTS: Lost 2-4

TEAM: Charlie, Edie, Emilia, Emily, James, Millie M, Oscar D and Pippin

RESULTS: Lost 2-3

Thursday, 15th January 2026

U9/8 Girls Netball v Skippers Hill (Home)

TEAM: Poppy, Kamila, Meg, Lucia, Amelie, Imogen, Sophie, Nansi and Luella

RESULTS: Won 11-4

PLAYER OF THE MATCH: Amelie

U9/10 Boys – No Fixture – Team Training

PERFORM DRAMA WORKSHOPS

Children in Foundation Stage and KS1 were pleased to receive a visit from the children's drama company 'Perform' today. The children had an excellent time exploring the theme of Midnight in the Toyshop, using drama to help their confidence, concentration and social skills. They searched for the missing key and were very relieved when they finally found it so they could stay in the toyshop.

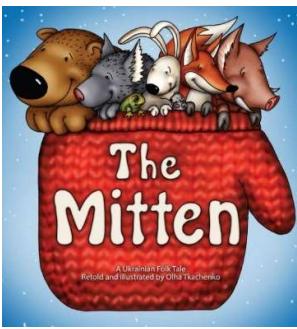


NURSERY

Children in Nursery have enjoyed a fabulous start to our new term. Excited to explore the snow last week, we had a wonderful introduction to our theme of Winter.

Venturing onto the Muga we observed the different bird tracks in the fresh, white snow before we made our own unique patterns. We learnt how to make snowballs, snow angels and snowmen -so much laughter and fun!

Following on in class this week, we listened to a beautiful Ukrainian story called The Mitten. We each threaded our own mittens before hiding the forest creatures inside to keep warm.



YEAR 6

INNKEEPERS' DAUGHTER ELOPES WITH RUTHLESS ROBBER, LEAVING OSTLER FIGHTING FOR LIFE

By James Collyer- senior reporter

In the early hours of yesterday morning, Bess Brown (age 19), the daughter of a local coaching innkeeper went missing after allegedly eloping with the notorious highwayman, John Palmer (age 28). The pair are believed to have fled after attacking the inn's ostler in the Nevill Crest and Gun Inn on Balaclava Lane.

Miss Brown was discovered to be missing by her father at the break of dawn when he tried to call her down for breakfast but discovered she was nowhere to be seen. He later reported that there were muddy hoof tracks in front of her window. He is not sure if

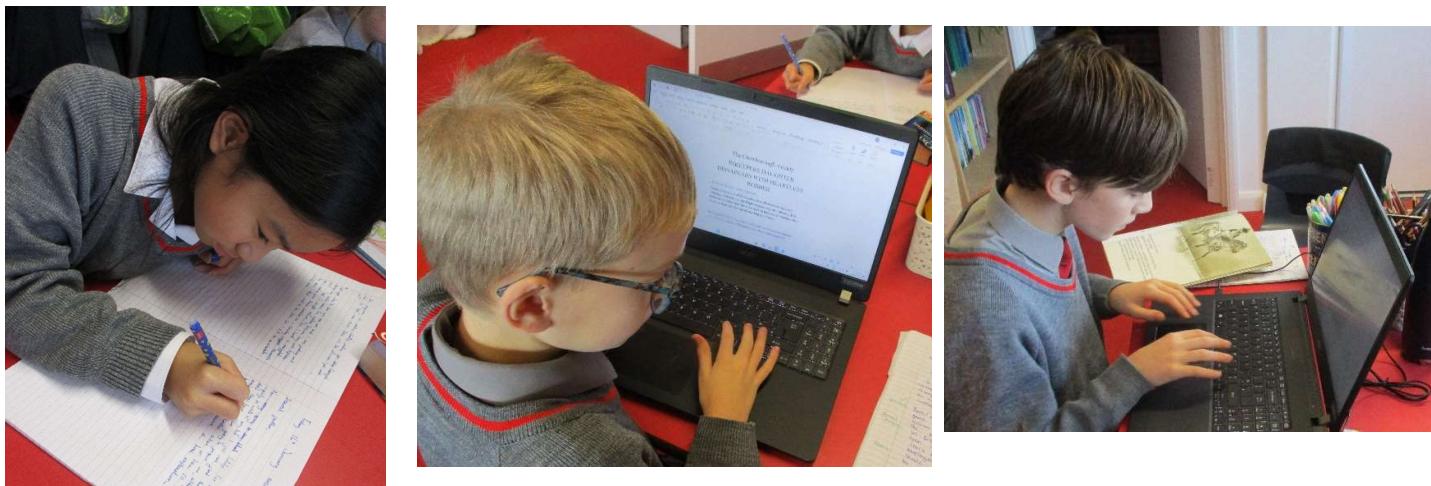
Bess wanted to go with the highwayman, or if she was kidnapped. After Timothy Adams, the ostler, was found, gagged in a corner, he said that Bess and the highwayman had attacked him. "I'm lucky to be alive to be honest," stated the pale-faced ostler.

Once apprehended, the highwayman will be charged with kidnapping Bess and stealing 2 horses. The search has spread through the country where witnesses are being sought. Any reports of sightings of the pair should be taken to the local commanding office barracks in Erdige.

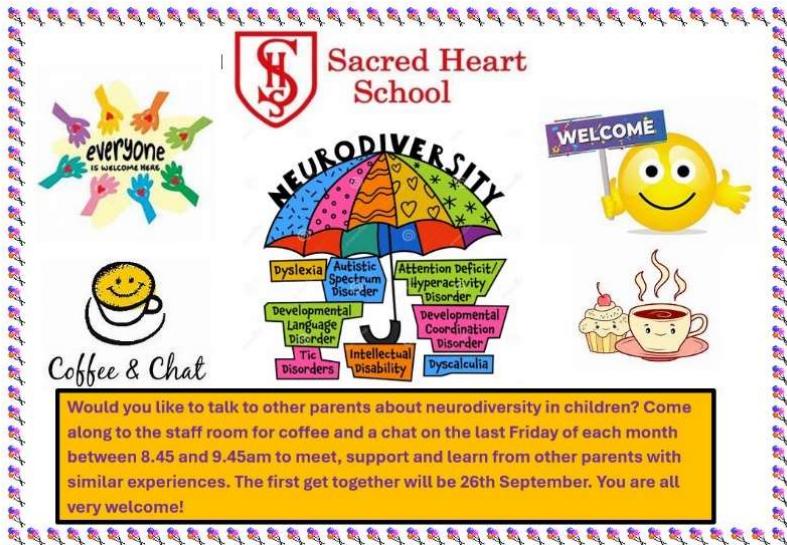
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Children in Year 6 have continued to use The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes as inspiration for their writing. Recently, they have written newspaper reports, diary entries and they are about to write letters in role as Bess the innkeeper's daughter. Before writing their reports, they learnt about the orientation and reorientation and many other features of newspaper reports including using the passive voice.

In Art lessons, they have been using watercolours to paint snowdrops for a display for our Candlemas celebration which they will be leading with their Buddies in Reception Class soon.



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, 30th January 2026**.

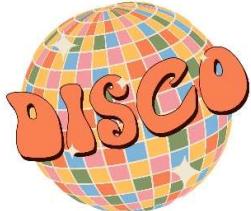
CATHOLIC LIFE - Addition to the Sacred Heart School website

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.

PTA EVENTS

Fri 6 th Feb	Film Night	15:45 – 17:30/18:00
Thu 12 th Feb	Pre-Loved Uniform Sale in ICT Suite	15:30 – 16:00
Fri 13 th Feb	Pre-Loved Uniform Sale in ICT Suite	08:30 – 09:00
Thu 26 th Feb	Quiz Night @ Commemoration Hall	20:30 – 22:00
Wed 11 th Mar	Easter Egg Decorating for Parents	16:00 – 17:30
Tue 24 th Mar	Pre-Loved Uniform Sale in ICT Suite	15:30 – 16:00
Wed 25 th Mar	Pre-Loved Uniform Sale in ICT Suite	08:30 – 09:00
Sat 9 th May	Jumble Sale – School Hall	14:30 – 16:30
Fri 15 th May	Disco	15:30 – 18:00



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.