



NEWSLETTER NO. 4 AUTUMN TERM – 26 SEP 2025

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MISSION IN ACTION AWARDS

WOWS for FOUNDATION STAGE		Nursery: Sebastian, Louisa, Edith and Delphine. Reception: Darcey and Rosie.
BUSY BEES STAR OF THE DAY		MON: Rosie (N) TUE: Oscar (Y1) THU: Clemmie (N)
RECEPTION	Alexandra	LEARN & GROW: For being a superstar learner in Phonics.
	Chester	WORSHIP: For his beautiful drawing of our world, inspired by our learning of the Creation Story.
YEAR 1	Alban	LEARN: For writing a lovely story.
	Edmond	LEARN: For an excellent effort with his story writing.
	Charlie	LEARN: For an excellent effort with his story writing.
YEAR 2	Ylva	LEARN: For her excellent Magic Finger story - she turned me into a kitten!
	Cherry	LEARN: For her excellent Magic Finger story - she turned me into a warthog!!
	Ella	LOVE: For being such a well-behaved excellent role model.
YEAR 3	Hector	LEARN: For his learning in RE this week. He has put in a great effort to further understand the meaning of Imago Dei, asking some great questions!
	Miller	LEARN: For being a good model of behaviour in the classroom this week. He has been ready and waiting for each instruction in all of our lessons.
YEAR 4	Amelie	LEARN: For her imaginative ideas and well-crafted postcard inspired by the book Flotsam.
	Mason	GROW & WORSHIP: For being a wonderful altar server at Mass.
	Blaise	
YEAR 5	Oscar	LEARN: For fantastic ideas and responses in English this week, and for working hard in all areas since being in Year 5!
	Sophie	LEARN: For working hard in class and for her outstanding homework!
YEAR 6	Marni	LOVE & LEARN: For the effort she always puts into her work and for being such a gentle, kind and well-mannered member of Year 6
	Teddy	LEARN & GROW: For working so hard across the curriculum but especially in Geography lessons and for joining in with class discussions this week.
MUSIC	Elizabeth (Y1)	For excellent attention and great enthusiasm in her first two piano lessons.
	Cherry (Y2)	For her outstanding rhythmic skills and sheer enthusiasm for piano. Keep it up!
	Faye (Y3)	For beautiful singing in hymn practice and for her lovely work in class music.
CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING	Henry (Y2)	Who spent his Saturday morning helping to pick up litter on Bexhill beach as part of the Great British Beach Clean. The initiative is part of the Marine Conservation Society and is an annual event designed to clean up beaches across the UK. His most exciting find was a £10 note (!), which he donated back to the charity to help fund future clean ups.





CONGRATULATIONS:

- Sophie-Ann (Y5)** – For achieving her first roundoff back handspring in gymnastics at Gymspire where she is part of the Silver Squad Team. Also for her positive annual report for the last academic year from the Yehudi Menuhin School where she does her violin training.



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

RECEPTION

Children in Reception are absolutely loving their Phonics learning! They have been having so much fun exploring different sounds through creative and hands-on activities.

- For the sound 'n', we painted *nails* and created beautiful *night skies*.
- For 'm', we practised our writing in fluffy *shaving mousse* — messy but marvellous!
- For 'd', we formed the letter using *playdough* and had lots of fun exploring a dinosaur landscape.
- For 'g', we searched for the letter in *gloop* and created grapes by printing shapes.



In RE children have been learning that God made each of us and loves us all. We know that we are all unique and special. We have created a variety of self-portraits to show how different we all are.





SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

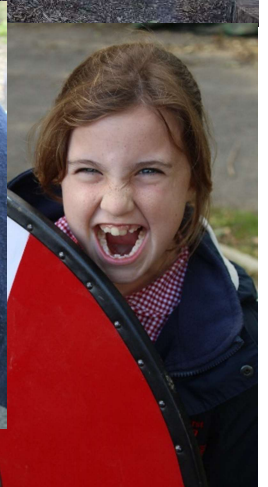
Meet Art and Sarah, two new pupils to our school, courtesy of Mrs Stanley and our School Council who have been busy making them for the upcoming 'Wadhurst Warriors' Scarecrow competition and Family Trail on Sunday, 5th October.



YEAR 5



On Monday, children in Year 5 went back in time to the year 793AD when the Vikings arrived on the shores of England. Mr King (in costume!) led the class for an immersive History and Bushcraft session which gave an insight into the life of a Norseman. The class handled artefacts, objects and replicas whilst learning about equipment, clothing, weaponry, and life as a Viking. They felt the true weight of wool garments, the heft of a Viking sword and the bulk of their large shield. The class then used this learning to design their own shield pattern emblazoned with runes. Finally, each child was given the chance to learn about fire lighting from the Viking age. Everyone had a go at traditional flint and steel, and most were successful at making sparks. All the children thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon and loved having history brought to life.



DRAMA WORKSHOPS

On Friday, children in Foundation Stage, Key Stage 1 and Year 3 enjoyed a morning of drama workshops with Perform. They explored the world of Castles, Knights and Princesses with Magical Merlin on an incredible Arthurian adventure.



SPORTS FIXTURES

Wednesday, 24th September 2025

U11/10 Girls Hockey v Beechwood (Away)

TEAM 1: Otilie, Annemieke, Isla (Y6), Hattie, Alexandra, Marni, Tabitha, Eva, Millie M, Sophia, Alice, Sienna and Millie T

RESULT: Lost 1-2; Lost 1-3; Lost 1-2; Lost 0-3

PLAYER OF THE MATCH: Annemieke and Sienna

TEAM 2: Isla (Y5) Emilia, Poppy, Jemima, Tabitha (Y5), Sophie-Ann, Florence, Sophie, Emily, Edie and Pippin

RESULT: Drew 0-0; Drew 0-0; Lost 0-3; Won 7-0

PLAYERS OF THE MATCH: Pippin and Sophie-Ann



U11/10 Boys Football v Battle Abbey (Home)

TEAM 1: Liam, Matty, APP, Rowland, Teddy B and Teddy J

RESULT: Won 8-0

TEAM 2: James, Oscar D, Arthur, Charlie, Evan, Oscar M and Alex

RESULT: Lost 0-2

Thursday, 25th September 2025

U9/8 Boys Football v Beechwood (Away)

TEAM 1: Lorenzo, Miller, Hector, Lucia and Mason

RESULT: Lost 1-3

TEAM 2: Blaise, Oscar, Eddie, Meg, Tom and Imogen

RESULT: Lost 0-4

DIARY DATES

WEEK 5		
Mon 29 th September	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
	Grandparents Lunch	12:30 – 13:30
Tue 30 th September	Grandparents Lunch	12:30 – 13:30
Wed 1 st October	U11/10 Girls Hockey v St Ronan's (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U11/10 Boys Football v Wadhurst (Away)	14:00 – 15:30
Thu 2 nd October	National Poetry Day	
	U9/8 Girls Netball v St Ronan's (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U9/8 Boys Football v Rose Hill (Home)	14:15 – 15:45
Fri 3 rd October	Macmillan Coffee Morning	08:30
	Open Morning	09:30 & 11:00
	Parent & Toddler Session – Nursery	09:00 – 10:30
	Awards Assembly	
WEEK 6		
Mon 6 th October	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
Tue 7 th October	Open Classrooms FS (Nursery & Reception)	08:30 – 08:45
Wed 8 th October	Open Classrooms KS1 (Y1 & Y2)	08:30 – 08:45
	Y6 Swimming @ Mayfield School	08:45 – 10:15
	Year 4 Roman Workshop	
	U11/10 Boys – No Fixture – Team Training	
	U11/10 Girls – No Fixture – Team Training	
Thu 9 th October	Open Classrooms LKS2 (Y3 & Y4)	08:30 – 08:45
	FS & KS1 Trip to The Gruffalo – Assembly Hall Theatre	13:00 – 15:30
	U9/8 Boys Football v Vinehall (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U9/8 Girls Hockey v Beechwood (Home)	14:15 – 15:45
Fri 10 th October	Open Classrooms UKS2 (Y5 & Y6)	08:30 – 08:45
	Awards Assembly	09:00
	PTA Film Night	15:45 – tbc
WEEK 7		
Mon 13 th October	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
	Rainforest Animals Workshops – FS, KS1 & Y3	13:30 – 15:30
Wed 15 th October	Y6 Swimming @ Mayfield School	08:45 – 10:15
	U11/10 Girls Hockey v Vinehall (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U11/10 Boys – No Fixture – Team Training (Home)	
	Parent Consultations	16:15 – 18:00
Thu 16 th October	U9/8 Girls Hockey v Skippers (Away)	13:30 – 16:30
	U9/8 Boys Football v Skippers (Home)	14:15 – 15:45
	Parent Consultations	17:00 – 18:30
Fri 17 th October	Neurodiversity Parent Coffee Morning	08:45
	Y4 Assembly & Cake Sale	09:00 & 10:30
	Parent & Toddler Session – Nursery	09:00 – 10:30
WEEK 8		
Mon 20 th October	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
Tue 21 st October	Whole School Harvest Assembly (All parents welcome)	09:00
	End of Term – Whole School	
HALF TERM WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER – FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER		

PARENT NOTICES



COFFEE MORNINGS

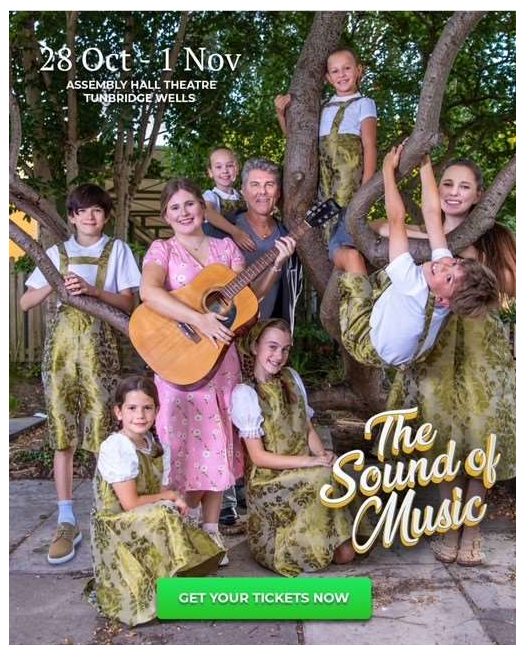
As we live in a neurodiverse world, and having listened to our parent voices, we would like to set up a support group for any parent at the Sacred Heart School who either has a child with any diagnosis (this can range from Dyslexia to ASD to ADHD, Sensory Processing and anything in between) or feels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

We enjoyed getting together for our first Parent Neurodiversity Support Group this morning and not just for the coffee and biscuits! Those who attended commented

on how supported and reassured they felt that other parents often go through similar experiences with their children. We were able to share ideas and experiences in a safe, non-threatening way.

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 17th October at 8.45 in the staff room.

Future events: 28th November and 12th December.



Poppy (Y4) will be playing Gretl in The Sound of Music at The Assembly Hall Theatre during half term.

Her show dates are:

Wednesday 29th October at 2:30pm

Thursday 30th October at 7:30pm

Saturday 1st November at 7:30pm



Poppy (Y4) will be performing in the Junior Ensemble as a child in either Mr Maddens' or Mr Shakespeare's class in Nativity! The Musical at Trinity Theatre.

Her show dates are:

Friday 12th December at 10am

Sunday 14th December at 10:30am and 3:00pm

Thursday 18th December at 1:00pm

Sunday 21st December at 10:30am and 3:00pm

Friday 26th December at 3:00pm

Sunday 27th December at 10:30am and 3:00pm

Addition to the Sacred Heart School website – Catholic Life

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.

Henry Adair (Y2) has decided to take part in the Race for Kids Great Ormand Street on 11th October. He will be aiming to run the 2km target around the playing fields in Mayfield to raise funds for the hospital's new Children's Cancer Centre and in memory of his friend Sofia. If you would like to sponsor him, here is the link: <https://race.gosh.org/fundraisers/antoniaadair/rbc-race-for-the-kids>.

We wish you the best of luck, Henry!



FLU VACCINATIONS

The Immunisation Service are coming into school to offer your child the flu vaccination on Thursday, 13th November 2025. This is for Reception aged children upwards.

A portal has been sent out with all the information of how to register your child for the immunisation.

For information about the Flu vaccine and frequently asked questions:

<https://www.sussexcommunity.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/resources/patient-resources/flu-vaccinations>

To complete a consent form:

[Flu Vaccination Consent Form \(susseximmunisations.co.uk\)](https://www.sussexcommunity.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/resources/patient-resources/flu-vaccinations)

A poster for Autumn Concerts 2025. At the top, there are three stylized trees with orange and yellow leaves. Below them, the text "AUTUMN CONCERTS 2025" is written in a bold, serif font. Underneath, the dates and times are listed: "Wed 19 November: 4pm" and "Thurs 20 November: 5:15pm". Below this, it says "YEAR GROUPS WILL BE MIXED IN BOTH CONCERTS". At the bottom, there is a square image of a musical staff with a treble clef and several notes, surrounded by falling leaves.

We are looking forward to our Autumn Music Concerts this term. Please join us on 19th and 20th November to enjoy a wonderful showcase of some of the musical talent here at Sacred Heart School.

A poster for a Coffee Morning event. At the top right is the Sacred Heart School logo. Below it, there's a drawing of a coffee cup and a plate with a croissant. The text "COFFEE MORNING" is written in large, bold, black letters. Below that, it says "3 OCTOBER 2025, SCHOOL HALL from 0830". Underneath, it says "supporting" in small letters, followed by "MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT" in large, bold, green letters. At the bottom right, there is a QR code and the text "DONATIONS OR CODE" next to it.

SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS

SCHOOL	DATES
Bennett Memorial	23 & 25 Sept & 1 Oct (evening)
Bethany	27 th Sept & 8 th Oct
Dulwich Prep, Cranbrook	4 th October
Judd	23 rd June 2026
Kent College	4 th Oct & 5 th Nov
Tonbridge School	4 th October
Tonbridge Grammar School	7 th , 9 th & 14 th October
Tunbridge Wells Boys Grammar School	26 th Sept, 2 nd & 10 th Oct
Tunbridge Wells Girls Grammar School	24 th Sept & 6 th Oct
Weald of Kent	15 th & 16 th October

Please refer to the individual school websites as many events require booking

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.