



The children have settled into the new school year with remarkable ease, their enthusiasm and eagerness to learn shining through in every classroom. We're also proud to announce the appointment of our new chaplains, school councillors, antibullying champions, ECO team and Laudato Si team who will undoubtedly become inspiring leaders and role models for their peers.

School Mass

Classes celebrated a wonderful start of year Mass, led by Fr Vitalis gathering in unity to celebrate the beginnings of another exciting chapter in our school community.



Chaplaincy Team

We have successfully appointed a dedicated Chaplaincy team, which has been entrusted with the great responsibility of nurturing young leadership. This spiritual leadership allows our students to take charge in leading their peers during Catholic worship, fostering a deeper understanding of faith and spirituality.

Throughout the year this new Chaplaincy team will play a pivotal role in instilling the mission and ethos of our school, encouraging every student to embody our core values of living and learning in hope and joy, keeping the spirit of God alive in our community.





Sacred Heart Prayer Day 2025

We invited our parents and governors into our school to celebrate a day of prayer this September. All the classes really enjoyed learning some new strategies for how to pray, and it was lovely to share this with our families.



Weekly British Values and Protected Characteristics Talking Points

Each week at Sacred Heart we focus on an image depicting a different British Value or Protected Characteristic. This is discussed from Foundation Stage right through to Year 6 and recapped as a whole school within Assembly.





Local MP Shivani Raja staff in to visit Year 6

We were so lucky in Year 6 to have the Senior Parliamentary Assistant for our local MP in Leicester East visit our school. Mr James-Dean spoke with our Year 6 children about the role of an MP, routes into Parliament and ways that we too can be involved as constituents in our local area.



Universal free school meals

With the introduction of free school meals for infant children in September 2014 it is still important to confirm eligibility by using the above link. This will ensure your school will be in a position to obtain further funding from central government to provide additional support to your child. This funding is also referred to as Pupil Premium.

Easiest and quickest way to check your eligibility would be to use the link here to apply –

<https://freeschoolmeals.leicester.gov.uk/>

Universal Infant Free School Meals – please apply using the below link:

<https://www.leicester.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/grants-and-allowances/free-school-meals/>



Eco Zone

Exciting News!

We've won the **TOP AWARD AGAIN** Eco Green Flag with Distinction for the **second year running!**

Huge thanks to our amazing eco teams:

- Eco Champions
- Energy Rangers
- Laudato Si Team

Got ideas or want to help? See Mrs. Dushan in Poplar class or email

poplar@sacredheart.leicester.sch.uk

Let's keep making a difference!

Green Tip 1: Use LED bulbs! Save energy & money!

Green Tip 2: Ditch single-use plastics! Go reusable!

Uniform Exchange: Donate or pick up gently used uniforms! Save and reduce waste!

Mindfulness & Energy: Join our Family Mindfulness Workshop every Monday 3:20–3:40pm (for all ages)

Let's be mindful about switching off lights, managing heating & caring for our planet

Enjoy calm corners in classrooms and homes





School uniform and lost items

Could we also ask that if your child accidentally brings another child's piece of clothing home with them that it is returned as soon as possible to school and/or the parents.

Please can you ensure that all school uniform are clearly labelled with your child's full name.

This includes:

- P.E kit
- water bottles
- lunch boxes
- Jackets/Coats



We know how expensive school uniform can be and every year the lost property box is full of nearly new uniform items that have no names on them.

Thank you for your support with this.



Primary School Admissions 2026-27

Admissions applications for Autumn Term 2025 Children are admitted to the school in September of the year in which they have their fifth birthday.

If there is anyone who wishes to apply for a place for September 2026 (d.o.b. 01.09.2021 – 31.08.2025) please obtain an 'Expression of Interest' form from the School Office.

There is also a requirement to fill in an LA form before January 15th 2025.

This form can be found at [Apply for an infant or primary school place](#)

Secondary school applications

Primary, Junior and Secondary headteachers are reminded to advise parents to apply for three schools and that for secondary admissions the national closing date is **31st October**, and national offer date 1st March (or next working day).

Catholic secondary schools will have supplementary forms too which must also be completed. The majority of Year 6 children at Sacred Heart would go to St. Paul's, or English Martyrs.

Local secondary schools have their own admission policies and it would be well worth consulting those



Harvest food collection has started at Sacred Heart! Once again, we are asking if you can in any way contribute to our Harvest collection. This year all donations will be passed onto our local food charity **Open Hands**. We very much appreciate that it is difficult time for families across our communities and city however it is in these times of hardship that the kindness and generosity of our Sacred Heart families shines through.

Non-perishable foods as well as other items are welcome; please see the list below.

Non- perishable foods:

- Breakfast cereals
- Soup
- Pasta
- Rice
- Pasta sauce
- Tinned beans
- Tinned meat
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned fruit
- Tea or coffee
- Sugar
- Biscuits
- Snacks
- UHT milk
- Flour



**QR code for
Open Hands
website**

Other items:

- Nappies
- Shower gels
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste

Donations are accepted until Thursday 31st October.

Donations can be handed into Class Teachers.

Our Harvest collection will be blessed and celebrated at our Harvest Mass before being taken to Open Hands.

Anything that you can contribute is very much appreciated by us all here are Sacred Heart.



PARENTS EVENING WEDNESDAY 29TH OCTOBER

Parents evening appointments will now be done through Arbor.

To book your slot please use the Guardian Consultations option on the Arbor app. This will be available from **Wednesday 1st October 9am** and will close **Friday 17th October 3:30pm**.

Please see attached guide how to book your appointment via the Arbor app.

Please log onto your Arbor app to complete the bookings – no paper slips will be sent out from school.

If you need a translator for parents evening, please bring someone who can assist you with this.

Use QR code for help with booking

बुकिंग में सहायता के लिए क्यूआर कोड का उपयोग करें

બુકિંગમાં મદદ માટે ક્યૂઆર કોડનો ઉપયોગ કરો

Използвайте QR код за помощ при резервация



माता-पिता शाम बुधवार 29 अक्टूबर दोपहर को दोपहर,

माता-पिता शाम को नियुक्ति अब आर्बर के माध्यम से की जाएगी।

अपना स्लॉट बुक करने के लिए कृपया आर्बर पर गार्जियन परामर्श विकल्प का उपयोग करें।

यह बुधवार 1 अक्टूबर सुबह 9 बजे से उपलब्ध होगा।

बुकिंग के लिए पोर्टल शुक्रवार 17 अक्टूबर को दोपहर 3:30 बजे बंद हो जाएगा।

कृपया आर्बर ऐप के माध्यम से अपनी अपॉइंटमेंट बुक करने के तरीके के लिए संलग्न मार्गदर्शिका देखें।

बुकिंग पूरी करने के लिए कृपया अपने आर्बर ऐप पर लॉग इन करें - स्कूल से कोई पेपर पर्ची नहीं भेजी जाएगी।

यदि आपको शाम को माता-पिता के लिए अनुवादक की आवश्यकता है, तो कृपया किसी ऐसे व्यक्ति को लाएं जो इसमें आपकी सहायता कर सके।

सादर।

પેરેન્ટ્સ ઇવનિંગ બુધવાર 29 મી ઓક્ટોબર બપોરે,

માતાપિતાની સાંજની એપોઇન્ટમેન્ટ હવે આર્બર દ્વારા કરવામાં આવશે.

તમારા સ્લોટ બુક કરવા માટે કૃપા કરીને આર્બર પર ગાર્ડિયન પરામર્શ વિકલ્પનો ઉપયોગ કરો.

આ બુધવારે 1 ઓક્ટોબર સવારે 9 વાગ્યાથી ઉપલબ્ધ થશે.

બુકિંગ માટેનું પોર્ટલ શુક્રવાર 17 ઓક્ટોબરના રોજ બપોરે 3:30 વાગ્યે બંધ થશે. કૃપા કરીને આર્બર

એપ્લિકેશન દ્વારા તમારી એપોઇન્ટમેન્ટ કેવી રીતે બુક કરવી તે જોડાયેલ માર્ગદર્શિકા જુઓ.

બુકિંગ પૂર્ણ કરવા માટે કૃપા કરીને તમારી આર્બર એપ્લિકેશન પર લોગ ઇન કરો - શાળામાંથી કોઈ કાગળની સ્લિપ મોકલવામાં આવશે નહીં.

જો તમને માતાપિતાની સાંજ માટે અનુવાદકની જરૂર હોય, તો કૃપા કરીને કોઈને લાવો જે તમને આમાં મદદ કરી શકે.

પ્રકારની સાદર.

РОДИТЕЛИ ВЕЧЕР СРЯДА, 29 ОКТОМВРИобед,

вечерната среща на родителите вече ще се извършва през Арбор.

За да резервирате Вашето място, моля, използвайте опцията Guardian Consultations на Arbor. Това ще бъде достъпно от **сряда, 1 октомври, 9 сутринта**.

Порталът за резервации ще затвори в 15:30 ч. в **петък, 17 октомври**.

Моля, вижте приложеното ръководство как да резервирате час чрез приложението Arbor.

Моля, влезте в приложението си Arbor, за да завършите резервациите – няма да се изпращат хартиени листове от училище.

Ако имате нужда от преводач за родителска вечер, моля, доведете някой, който може да ви помогне с това.

Моите почитания.



First Holy Communion

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First Holy Communion Preparation at Sacred Heart Church begins on September 28th at 10.15am at Sacred Heart. Forms are available in the church or to download from the Parish website at <https://holyfamily-leicester.rcdon.uk/Sacraments>. Forms can be handed in at Mass or emailed to the Parish Office along with your child's Baptism certificate.

Your child must be in Year 3 or above to join this year's programme. Preparation sessions (for children & parents) will be on the fourth Sunday of each month (not December) followed by 11.30am Mass.

The Sensory First Holy Communion Preparation begins in January.

Dates for your diary:

Black History Month starts 1st Oct

Wednesday 1st Oct – Parents Evening bookings open on Arbor

Monday 13th – Thursday 16th October – Year 6 Kingswood Residential.

Monday 6th October - Chaplains (pupil) retreat St Patricks Church

Tuesday 28th October – Harvest Mass at Sacred Heart Church 10am

Wednesday 29th October 1:30pm-6pm – Parents Evening

Thursday 30th October – Diwali Day in school

Wednesday 12th November - Wrates Photographers

Wednesday 19th November - NHS Flu Vaccinations

Friday 21st November – Trust Inset Day – **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Friday 5th December – Menphy's Christmas Carol Concert

Christmas Plays:

KS1: Tuesday 9th December at 10am and Wednesday 10th December at 5.00pm