



Sacred Heart RC Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year. We would like to begin this year by thanking you for all the extra help and support you have given to your child's learning over the past few months. As a school, we have been overwhelmed by the support of our parents.

Our first term's curriculum follows a different path than the usual, with some catch-up sessions to fill any gaps in children's knowledge and understanding. We do this primarily by looking back at the Year 4 Knowledge Organisers (found on our school website <https://www.sacred-heart.bolton.sch.uk/subjects/>) and the 'Sticky Learning' Quizzes (<https://www.sacred-heart.bolton.sch.uk/sticky-learning/>). Please look at these with your child at home too.

We will also be looking at many more exciting topics this term including Where Does Life Begin and Could You Be the Next CSI Investigator? in Science, Who Am I? and Life Choices in RE, Rainforests in Geography and Guy Fawkes in History. In our Design Technology sessions we will be looking at making a weatherproof hat and in Art combining our learning of Guy Fawkes with collage. We will be using our learning in music to compose a soundtrack for a rainforest film. Online Safety will be key to our learning in Computing and we will explore databases and computer coding also. Our French learning will be based on sport and healthy food and drinks. In Reading and Writing sessions, we will be looking closely at 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes, 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan and 'Tin' by Padraig Kenny. Our Maths focus will be on place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and perimeter and area as we solidify our understanding of the foundations of number and arithmetic.

In Year 5, homework will be sent home every Friday. The homework will include a reading book and weekly spellings. Additionally, weekly homework will be set on mymaths, Spelling Shed and SPAG.com. Please continue to encourage your child to use TTR regularly. Passwords for all these websites can be found at the front of Reading Records. Reading Records should be brought into school daily. Please sign or initial to acknowledge your child's reading.

As Year 5 will be taking part in swimming this term (more information to follow), PE for 5D will be on Mondays (swimming) and Thursdays (outdoor PE). Please ensure that your child has the correct clothing on those days. After Christmas, the Monday PE session will change to Wednesday.

Additionally, please send your child into school with a full water bottle each morning.

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: The Sacred Heart Herald is produced by the school office and is uploaded to the school website and emailed to all parents. If you do not receive your copy, please let a member of Office staff know. Please can you make sure that the office has your up to date email address. Up to date diary dates are included each week, and are also available to view at www.facebook.com/TheJourneyMatters where you will also find posts that celebrate your child's learning each week.

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact the office and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Miss H. Dewhurst.
Year 5 Teacher

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