



Love God, Love each other, Love Learning

# NEWSLETTER

March 2021



We are delighted to be able to welcome everyone back to school from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Although we still have to keep vigilant, keep wearing our masks, washing our hands and keeping at least 2 m apart.

During the school day, year groups will work as 'bubbles' this means that, as much as possible, children will not mix with pupils in other year groups. This is so that, if a case of Coronavirus is confirmed, only specific groups of children and adults will need to isolate allowing everyone else to continue to attend school.

Attendance at school from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 is mandatory and the normal attendance policies and procedures will apply.

To reduce congestion, year groups will have staggered start and finish times as well as separate lunch and break times.

Only one parent / carer is permitted onto the school premises for drop off / collection and you should only arrive at your child's specific time. All adults, unless exempt, MUST wear a face covering on school grounds.

The Kingsway Gate is the large double gate leading directly onto the school playground.

The Main Pedestrian Entrance is the small gate leading down the main school drive.

Year	Gate	Start	Finish
N	Kingsway Gate / Rainbow Gate	8.40 am	2.45 pm
R	Kingsway Gate / Rainbow Gate	8.40 am	2.45 pm
Y1	Kingsway Gate	8.50 am	2.50 pm
Y2	Kingsway Gate	9.00 am	3.00 pm
Y3	Main Pedestrian Entrance	9.00 am	3.00 pm
Y4	Kingsway Gate	9.00 am	3.00 pm
Y5	Kingsway Gate	8.50 am	3.00 pm
Y6	Main Pedestrian Entrance	8.50 am	3.00 pm

Wherever possible communication with school staff including the school office should be via e-mail, class dojo or telephone. Staff will not be available to speak with parents at drop off / collection. Social distancing signs and procedures will be in place and we respectfully ask that you follow these at all times.

Visitors to the school office are restricted to one person at a time and only when absolutely necessary. Communication with the school office should be via telephone 01706 649981 or e-mail [office@Sacredheartrc.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:office@Sacredheartrc.rochdale.sch.uk)

At present school cannot handle cash payments and therefore any payments to school should be via our electronic system 'School Money'.

We appreciate that lots of children will have out grown uniform however as much as possible children are expected to wear full school uniform. Spare uniform is also available from school as needed. We continue to encourage children to change out of their uniform once home and ask that this is washed regularly.

Individual water bottles will be provided for children and have their names on. Water bottle must not be brought in from home.

Space in school for large or multiple bags is always limited and we therefore ask that children only bring to school a PE kit which can remain in school and their daily book bags.

As ever, the well-being of our children and their growth as young people is paramount to the education we are planning for their return. Please take some time to prepare your child for their return to school and to explain that there will be some changes in place to enable social distancing and to keep everyone safe.

Don't forget to check out our website and Facebook page for more information.

We appreciate that the necessary measures in place may mean that you feel that you have less contact with school.

Please be reassured that we are still here to support you and that you can contact class teachers via Dojo or a message via the school office 01706 649981 or [office@sacredheartrc.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:office@sacredheartrc.rochdale.sch.uk).

Mrs Scholes our CARITAS Worker is available on Tuesdays to offer support to our pupils and families

***We are still here if you need us.***

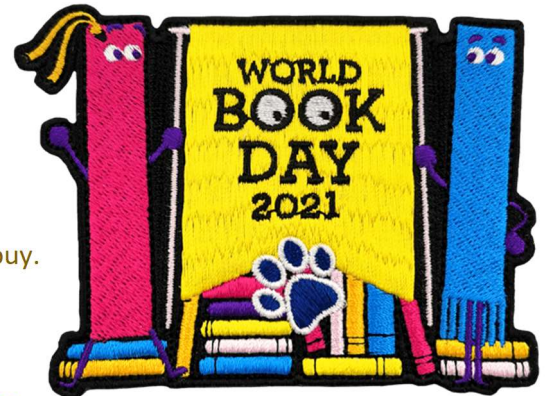
## WORLD BOOK DAY Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Don't forget to check you emails for the £1 e-voucher for World Book Day.

We will not be dressing up for World Book Day this year although we will be celebrating it remotely with reading activities on the 4th March.

Take a look at the link to see the £1 books you can use your voucher to buy.

<https://youtu.be/LRDsgu3D9D4>



It's World Book Day week and the children in Year 1 have been exploring moving picture books to identify the mechanisms used. They then had a go at making a lever and slider to make a car move along a road and a rabbit jump out of a hat. Later on this week they will plan and make their own moving picture storybook.



We have had some fun disguising our faces and voices whilst reading a story for all the children to guess the identities of Sacred Heart staff. Check it out on our Facebook page.





1 in 3 people with covid-19 show no symptoms. This means you could have it now and pass it on to someone else with devastating consequences. Help us find cases so we can stop transmission, protect the NHS and save lives  
 Play your part - get FAST tested  
[rochdale.gov.uk/FastTesting](http://rochdale.gov.uk/FastTesting)  
 FAST testing is available at the following sites:

- Rochdale – Nye Bevan House
- Heywood – Heywood Sports Village (both a walk in site and a drive through site)
- Middleton – Bowlee Sports Centre
- Pennines – Hare Hill Bowling Club

(Please note that disabled parking is in the park outside

the bowling club. All other parking is at Littleborough Cricket Club on Denhurst Road.

Vaccinations are taking place at Littleborough Sports Club. Please bear in mind when planning your journey that Littleborough Primary School is obviously open)

Sites are open 8am-7pm Monday to Friday and 10am – 4pm at weekends.

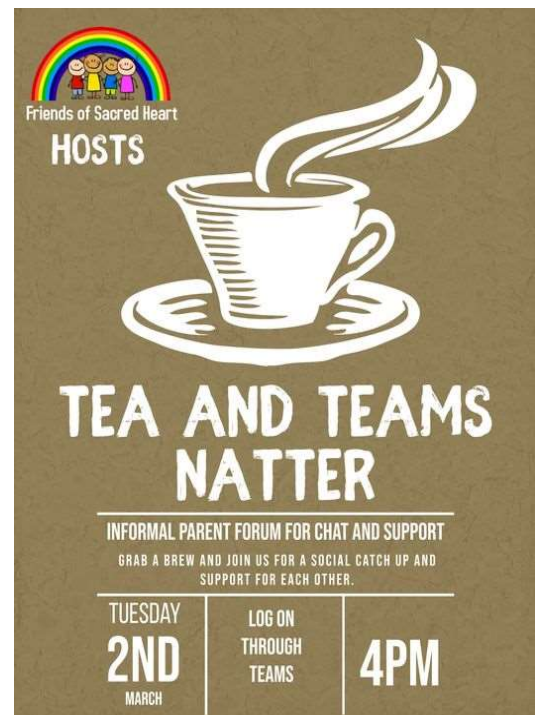
We recommend that you get tested twice a week.

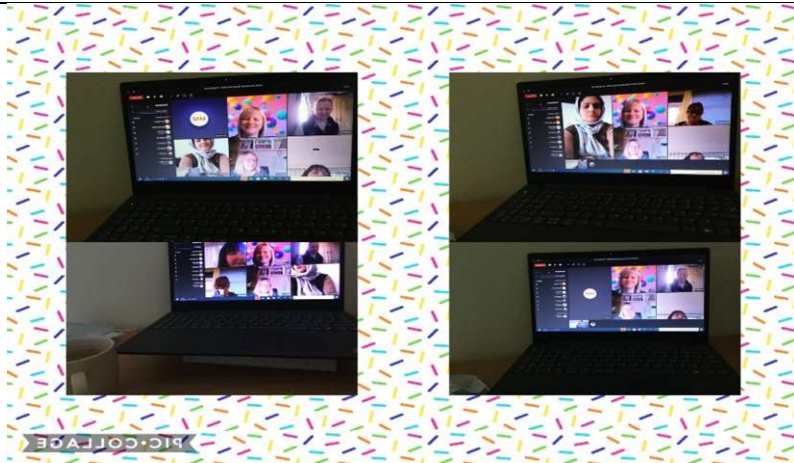
For more information on FAST Testing please visit [rochdale.gov.uk/FastTesting](http://rochdale.gov.uk/FastTesting)

Thank you to those who joined for Tea and Teams on Tuesday, lovely to see a few faces and well worth a chat to reassure and share some ideas for being at home and for when we return to school.

We will be hosting a second Tea and Teams in 2 weeks' time:

Monday 15th March - see you then!





During Lent our whole school assemblies led by Mrs Dungworth have encouraged us to think about not just giving things up but to think about what more we can do. This week we continued our Lenten journey together by reconciling with God and saying sorry for the things we have done wrong. We asked for God's forgiveness and renewed blessings as we prepare for all of our children to return to us on Monday



**Sacred Heart Church Masses and Services**

**Third Sunday in Lent 11.30 am**

# Next Half Term, Spring 2, Sacred Heart Learning Power is 'Always Improving'

## Always Improving

Keep reviewing your learning. Identify your best bits. Improve one thing first. Try to be better than the last time. Listen to feedback Don't compare yourself to others, only yourself. Take small steps.  
*For nothing will be impossible with God*  
*Luke 1:37*

SHARE	HAVE A GO!	ENJOY LEARNING	ALWAYS IMPROVING	RESILIENCE	THINK
					
<p>Learn hard                      Practise lots                      Keep going in the face of difficulty                      Try new strategies                      Ask for help                      Start again                      Take a brain break</p>	<p>Respond to all feedback                      Reflect on your learning                      Don't worry if things go wrong                      Have a growth mind-set                      Make every piece of learning better than the last</p>	<p>Feel proud of your achievements                      Feel you neurons connecting                      Imagine your intelligence growing by the minute!                      Be creative                      Let your imagination go                      Use what you have learnt in real life                      Know that you can do it, if you practise</p>	<p>Keep reviewing your learning                      Identify your best bits                      Improve one thing first                      Try to be better than the last time                      Listen to feedback!                      Don't compare yourself to others, only yourself                      Take small steps</p>	<p>Manage distractions                      Get lost in the task                      Break things down                      Plan and think it through                      Draw diagrams, jot down thoughts or things which help you think</p>	<p>Ask questions                      Notice things                      Look for patterns and connections                      Problem solve                      Think of possible reasons                      Research                      Ask 'What if...?'</p>
 "The generous will themselves be blessed" Proverbs 22:9	 "For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but of power and of love and self-control" Timothy 1:7	 "You who are young, be happy while you are young and let your heart give you joy" Ecclesiastes 11:9	 "For nothing will be impossible with God" Luke 1:37	 "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord" Colossians 3:23	 "Let's not get tired of doing what is good" Galatians 6:9

