

14th November 2025

Sacred Heart Herald



Gospel: John 2:13-22

Word of the Week: Sacred



KEY DATES NEXT WEEK

Thursday 20th November

9am - Education
Wellbeing Service
Coffee Morning
in the school hall
sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/nC184zHsbflrQMmt9>

2pm Reconciliation
Service Year 1 - 6

Friday 21st November

Xmas Preloved Sale:
Xmas Jumpers & Nativity
Outfits & Uniform
after school in the
playground

We Will Remember Them

Thank you to everyone who helped to make Remembrance Day special this year. An extra thank you to Busy Lizzy Art Club, who made the most beautiful ceramic poppies.

Governors' Maintenance Fund Update

It has been wonderful to hear the positive response to the £91,000 grant we have received to alleviate the flooding in the playground. We are required to get £9,100 of donations from parents towards this work. At present, 47 of our 293 families have kindly donated.

As a Voluntary Aided faith school, Sacred Heart is responsible for contributing towards the upkeep and improvement of our school buildings. This means the school community funds a percentage of maintenance costs, usually 10% of each project. This is the case for the drainage.

While the Archdiocese of Southwark provides some funding, we rely on the generosity of our families to help ensure the Governors' Maintenance Fund can cover ongoing and future building projects.

How to contribute:

- Through the Arbor Parent Portal (School Shop) you can choose either the annual family payment (£100) or the termly family payment (£35).
- If you would prefer to give smaller amounts throughout the year by standing order, please contact the School Office for bank details.

We fully understand that times are challenging for many families. Any contribution, no matter the size, is appreciated and should only be what your circumstances allow. Your support makes a real difference in maintaining a safe and welcoming school environment for all our children.

Uniform Survey

We are currently gaining parental views on school uniform. If you have not yet completed the survey, it can be accessed [here](#). The survey will remain open until Friday 28th November. We are also in the process of asking the children and staff for their views.

Air Quality

One of the points that was raised at the Parents' Forum was about air quality in the playground. Given that we have both Champion Timber and the Tesco petrol station on our doorstep, this is an understandable concern. We have discovered there is a permanent air quality monitor outside the front gate, next to Champion Timber. The results of this can be reviewed online [here](#). The monitor shows that air quality has improved between 2018 and 2024, which is consistent with a drop in NO₂ concentration trends across West Barnes. It is also good news that, despite being next to a busy road, we are just over half the legal limit of 40 g/m³ at 23.3 g/m³, and this has been falling consistently since 2018.

Milk Orders

Another Parents' Forum point was regarding milk that can be ordered in school. From January 2026, we will only be providing free milk for children up to the age of 5 (parents will still need to register their child for free milk via [Cool Milk](#)) We will no longer offer the option of parents buying milk for children aged 5 and older. **Parents who currently order milk will need to make sure they stop payment at the end of this term.**

If you would still like your child to have milk at break time, this can be sent into school in a small insulated bottle. Parents had asked about where they can purchase the small size cartons of milk to send into school. We have not been able to source cartons, but small bottles of Cravendale can be purchased at supermarkets – see example [here](#).

From The PSA



Sunday 7th Dec: Ladies' Wreath-Making Night

7:30–9:30pm | £35

A fun, festive evening of wreath making,
mince pies & bubbles!

Includes all materials, a mince pie & a glass of bubbles
(or nosecco).

Bar serving festive cocktails & mocktails.

Limited tickets – mums, sisters & friends welcome!

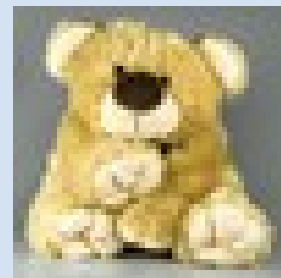
Friday 21st Nov: Pre-Loved X-Mas Jumper Sale & Teddy Tombola Collection

Please drop donations to the school office by Thursday morning:

- Christmas nativity costumes & Christmas jumpers
- Soft toys for the Teddy Tombola

(No preloved-soft toys only, max. 2 per child)

Uniform will also be on sale.



Tuesday 25th Nov: Happy Bag Collection

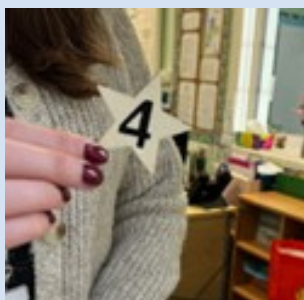
Our first Happy Bag fundraiser – the school earns 45p per kilo!

A great way to declutter before Christmas.

Accepted: Adults' & children's clothing (no uniform), paired shoes, handbags, belts, hats, jewellery, sealed toiletries & perfumes, souvenirs & unwanted gifts.

Not accepted: Uniform, underclothes, toys, DVDs/CDs, rugs, blankets, curtains, books, linen, pillows, duvets, or damaged/wet items.

- Bags sent home next Friday – any bag is fine, but items must be good quality.
- Bring filled bags only on collection morning (school cannot store before the 25th November).



October's Lottery Winner - Elaine Barnard

Other Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 27th Nov: Own Clothes Day – Chocolate Tombola Donation

Thursday 4th Dec: Own Clothes Day – Bottle Tombola Donation

Christmas Fair – Friday 12th December | 3:30–5:30pm

A highlight of the season! Please block out from 1pm if you can help set up or volunteer. You can use CSR days – the PSA is a registered charity.

Grandparents, older siblings & family all welcome to volunteer or attend!

LET'S CELEBRATE

Headteacher's Award

Early Years	Jane	Key Stage 1	Anishaa
Lower Key Stage 2	Paulina	Upper Key Stage 2	Rozmeenae

Class	Star of the Week	Maths Champ
St Francis	Maverick	Changsong
St Bernadette	Yesung	Meadow
St Patrick	Joavan	Hadi
St Rose	Yeiko	Maggie
St Oscar Romero	Skye	Jayden
St Elizabeth	Rosie	Giselle
St Joseph Vaz	Sarmad	Jasmine
St Josephine	Coco	Gabriel
St Maximilian	Lucas	Bohdana
St Clare	Sam	Florence
St Peter	Lindsey	Yijoon
St Kateri	Joel	Jeevan
St Paul	Cleo	Dinuka
St Andrew Kim	Jaishnav	Sunny
St Teresa	Cillian	Charlie