



Sacred Heart News

Friday 10th October

Headteacher's Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I am attaching a parent/carer version of our School Development Plan for the Year ahead. This will also be available on our school website. Please do take a few minutes to read what it means for your child and how you can help.

Our School's Ranking

It was pleasing to see that we had obtained a 'Very Good' ranking in a recent broadsheet newspaper article. The ranges is from 'Well below Average' to 'Very Good'.

Broadly, the ranking is collated on a formula which includes: public exam results, comparison to local averages, attendance rates, pupils meeting expectations, disadvantaged pupils meeting expectations, oversubscription and class sizes. Please see the grid below that compares Sacred Heart to other local schools.

SEND Parents Evening

Thank you for coming along this week for SEND Parents Evening. We will send out details of Autumn Parents Evenings next week. These take place after the half-term break.

Pre-loved Football boots/shin guards

If you have any football boots, shin guards and long football socks in good condition, we would be pleased to have them as spares for use in school. Thank you.

Rosary each Friday in the Prayer Garden

Each Friday during October, at 8.30 am, the Chaplaincy team will be leading the Rosary in the Prayer Garden. Families are welcome to join even for a short time and it is open to all the year groups.

PTA Virtual PTA Balloon Race

A reminder that the race is off and the balloons are flying until next Friday. We will check-in on the action during the school week but if you wish to follow at home here is the link. There are more than 99 balloons and they are not all red! <https://www.balloonrace.net/shps>

Thank you to the PTA for running a Pre-loved uniform this week.

A huge thank you to one of our mum's Nadia, for completing an amazing skydive to raise funds for the school PTA. Thank you to everyone who sponsored raising over £1000. All money will be spent for the benefit of the children. We are all blown away with your efforts!!!

Harvest Food

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Harvest box in the front entrance.

As a final initiative this Harvest, we thought it would be fun to take part in the Cereal Box Challenge! We are asking for a donation of a **full cereal box**, which will be donated to our local food bank. The aim is to collect enough boxes by Monday 20th October to create a whole-school domino trail, something exciting for the children to watch while also supporting our community. We would really appreciate your support in joining us by donating a cereal box. It's a wonderful way to have fun together and give back at the same time!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Brenda Green
Headteacher

Top 100 Ranking	School	Overall rating	Score	①	Average KS2 score	①
100+	Collis Primary School (<1mi.) >	Good	33/40		108.7	
100+	St Mary's and St Peter's Church of England Primary School (<1mi.) >	Good	32/40		110.7	
100+	Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School (<1mi.) >	Very good	34/40		108.3	
100+	Stanley Primary School (<1mi.) >	Fair	28/40		106.3	
100+	Meadlands Primary School (<1mi.) >	Very good	35/40		108.7	
100+	St Richard's Church of England Primary School (<1mi.) >	Fair	29/40		106.3	
100+	St James's Roman Catholic Primary School (1mi.) >	Very good	34/40		109.3	
100+	St John the Baptist Church of England Junior School (1mi.) >	Well below avg	20/40		103	
100+	Fern Hill Primary School (1mi.) >	Good	30/40		109	
100+	Hampton Hill Junior School (1mi.) >	Very good	34/40		107.7	

Highlights of the Week



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Fun and games in Italian Club



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Nadia ready for action before the Skydive!



Congratulations, you made it!

Key Dates

Autumn Term 2025

Tuesday 14th October - Year 3 Boys Football

Thursday 16th October - King's U10 Football Tournament

Thursday 16th October - Year 6 to Gunnersbury

Friday 17th October - U9 Boys Football

Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October - Half Term

Tuesday 11th November - Individual & Sibling Photographs

Wednesday 12th November - Year 3 to Chiltern Open Air Museum

Thursday 13th November - Year 5/6 Girls Football Tournament

Stars of the Week

Reception Thea for her incredible effort and conscientious attitude during every tidy up time. You are a role model to others.

Riela for her hard work at home, practising her name and number formation. Keep it up!

Year 1 Victoria for always being so kind and helpful to everyone. We are very proud of the wonderful example you set for others.

Zofia for always approaching everything with a positive attitude to her next steps, and giving 100% effort in all that she does.

Year 2 Oliver for showing great effort across the curriculum and for being a very kind and considerate friend.

Reuben for working really hard, showing great focus and for fantastic work in English this week retelling the story of the Storm Whale.

Year 3 Ivana for her fantastic focus and effort in our Maths lessons and her amazing attention to detail in our Computing lesson this week.

Nicole for her brilliant effort in her writing across the curriculum. Nicole puts 100% in all that she does.

Year 4 Tiago for amazing effort in Maths and English. Tiago wrote a great diary entry and in Maths rounded numbers to 10, 100 and 1000.

Aurora for settling into Sacred Heart so beautifully both academically and sociably. What a superstar!

Year 5 Isaac H for great effort in every subject this week and performed brilliantly in our RE debate.

Malachi for fantastic work in every subject! He has always been willing to answer questions in every lesson!

Year 6 Maya for excellent focus in all subjects this week, building on her understanding and showing determination to achieve her best!

Mikaeel for excellent focus and accuracy when calculating multiplication questions, taking exceptional care and reading questions thoroughly.

The Raymond Kerr Writer of the Month Award

Year 1 Abigail for listening carefully to her next steps and using them to extend her beautifully writing.

Year 2 Atarah for a super retelling of the story 'Noah's Ark'.

Year 3 Luci for her fantastic descriptive piece on the boy and on entering the cave in 'The Stone Age Boy'.

Year 4 Gabriel for writing a great diary entry in the role of Odysseus to recount the events and express the feelings of the character during the great sea storm.

Year 5 Evie for an excellent diary entry of an Anglo Saxon which included great vocabulary and emotive language.

Year 6 Liberty for her well-structured descriptive narrative using excellent vocabulary choices to convey the emotion of her characters.

Other News

Year 5 Maths Wizard Competition

Last Tuesday we went to Hampton School for the Year 5 Wizard Maths Challenge. We were nervous but excited. We went into the auditorium with loads of tables, the questions were so hard! 5 rounds later we got a drink and doughnut. The last round was the toughest but when they called us up for third place, our faces were so surprised! It was an amazing day but of course our favourite part was the doughnuts!



Year 4 Boys Football

On Thursday, some Year 4 boys went to a Football Tournament in Ham. When we got off the minibus, we played our first match against St Mary Magdalen, we lost 5-2. We then had a break and practised. For our second match we played Buckingham and drew 0-0. In our third game we played Deer Park and lost 1-0. On our final game in the quarter finals we played St John the Baptist, and again lost 1-0. The day was good and we learned a lot. I think we will improve in our next tournament.



Sacred Heart Prayer

Prayer for gratitude and to express thanks for the blessings we receive.

Dear Lord, we come before you today with a heart full of faith and trust in your healing power. Just as you healed the ten lepers, we believe that you can heal us too. We thank you for your love and mercy that never fails. Help us to remember to say thank you for all that you do for us every day. Amen.

Prayer based on Luke 17:11-19

Deanery Mass

We welcomed Upper Thames Deanery primary and secondary teachers from our Catholic Schools to Sacred Heart Church last week for a beginning of the year mass. Thank you to Margaret and Julie from the parish for helping with all the refreshments!

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Other items of interest for families

Sparks Film School at Sacred Heart School on Saturday morning during term time and also the school holidays. Details at

[teddington - Sparks Film School \(sparksarts.co.uk\)](http://teddington-SparksFilmSchool(sparksarts.co.uk))

AFC Kingston Youth – Girls' Football Sessions

AFC Kingston Youth has recently launched a **girls-only weekly football class**, designed for **7-10-year-old girls** who would like to develop their football skills in a fun, friendly, and supportive environment.

Session details:

 **When?** Wednesdays, 6:00–7:00 PM

 **Where?** Kingsmeadow (8-a-side astro turf pitches with floodlights)

 **Coaches?** FA-qualified, experienced, and enthusiastic

 **Cost?** Approximately £8 per session (paid monthly)

Playing in an all-girls environment is a fantastic way for young players to **build confidence, develop skills, and make new friends**. With the warmer weather approaching, now is the perfect time to give it a try!

 **Location:** Weir Archer Athletics & Fitness Centre, 442a Kingston Road, Kingston, KT1 3PB

If you would be happy to share this opportunity with parents or include it in your school newsletter, I would greatly appreciate it.

For further details, reach out to Heather at **+44 7717 047453**.

Free Saturday coding and digital making sessions at CoderDojo Kingston University

Youngsters aged 7 - 17 at all levels of experience, from beginner to expert, can create video games, web pages, build robots or explore digital electronics at sessions hosted in Kingston University's cool STEM Outreach suite. We offer activities using Scratch, Python, Unity and Raspberry Pi computers and microcontrollers.

Sessions are led by technology professionals, KU computer science staff and students. Kids under 13 must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

Bring a laptop if you have one, or you can book one of ours.

Sessions are held one Saturday afternoon each month during school term, from 2:00 – 4:30pm, with booking through Eventbrite.

Our calendar of sessions for 2025/26:

- 11 October 2025
- 15 November 2025
- 13 December 2025
- 10 January 2026
- 7 February 2026
- 14 March 2026
- 16 May 2026
- 13 June 2026

[More information about CoderDojo.](#)

Mama G storytime

[Join the fabulous Mama G for a joyful, interactive storytime](#) filled with original tales, catchy tunes and beloved picture books.

Expect dancing, giggles and a whole lot of love as Mama G celebrates the magic of being yourself and embracing who you are. Perfect for children and families who love to sing, dance and dive into

magical tales.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Date: Wednesday 29 October 2025

Time: 11 to 11.45am

Location: Richmond Lending Library

Date: Wednesday 29 October 2025

Time: 2 to 2.45pm

Location: Twickenham Library

Winter warmers appeal

For the third year running, Little Village is running its Winter Warmers Appeal, helping babies and young children stay warm and well through the colder months. Stocks of key items are running low, so we're encouraging local communities - schools, families and local businesses - to give pre-loved essentials a new lease of love, such as:

- Warm blankets and bedding
- Coats and pramsuits
- Pyjamas
- Boots and weatherproof shoes
- Snuggly clothing and socks

Re-using and sharing these items not only keeps children cosy but also reduces waste, promoting a culture of reuse, and fostering a circular economy within our community. Whether you're donating a blanket, a coat, or simply spreading the word, every action helps. Please share this appeal with your school community, friends, and networks so together we can reach more children this winter.

[Find out how to get involved here](#) or schools can visit the [Little Village website](#).



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School