



# I am a Disciple for you Jesus



Holy Souls Catholic Primary School

Mallard Close, Acocks Green, Birmingham B27 6BN

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Year 3: All Holy Communion children

Year 4: Alex & Aoife

Year 5: Senna & Amelia

Year 6: Julie & Khalil

Staff member: Mrs Keane and Mrs Stephenson  
Year 2: Riley & Amber  
Year 1: Freddie & Crisbel

Reception: Theo & Faith

Dear Parents, carers and children,

The feast of the Holy Body and Blood of Christ was a wonderful celebration as 21 children received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

This is the highlight of our school year as the children take another step in their journey of faith. We are privileged to bear witness to this and alongside our parish family, your families and friends we were so very proud of you all.

Thank you to everyone who assisted in preparing the children - Miss Trodden, our wonderful Year 3 staff, our superb musicians and choir, our parish stewards, altar servers, Canon Jonathan and Father Alex.

We look forward to seeing you at parish Mass and will keep you all in our prayers.



Today we celebrated the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Mass on our Parish Feast Day. It was a moment for us to gather together as a school and parish community before the Lord in thanksgiving for the love that flows from His Sacred Heart. It was a day for us to pray for our Parish, dedicated to the Heart of Jesus.

Enjoy a lovely weekend and a happy Father's Day,

Mrs R A Girling (Headteacher)



## To bring good news, to shine for you.



Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church - PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN ON THE WEBSITE

MASS TIMES - Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00pm Sunday Masses 8:30am, 10:00am and 12:00pm

### Gifts from God Celebration Assembly

RTA	DJ & Winter	3W	Tendai & Callum
RM	Kain & Ariana	4PM	Megan & Brooke
IG	Victor & Taban	4WH	Georgina & James
IKJ	Audrey & Jaxon	5F	Enya & Justin
2WM	Emilia & Alex	5S	Divine & Dhillon
2T	Nevaeh & Iszach	6F	Gabriela & Jayden
3M	Charlie & Morgan	6M	Natalie & Liam

Leaders for Learning don't forget to collect your pencil from Mrs Girling!

HAPPY GOLDEN TIME EVERYONE!

### Sports Stars of the Week



Reception	- Savannah
KSI	- Millie
KS2	- Max



RTA	Ava	3W	Teddy
RM	Marlo	4PM	Gracie
IG	Colin	4WH	Hanna
IKJ	Anon	5F	Lewis
2WM	Decent	5S	Oskar
2T	Kian	6F	Joseph F
3M	Isla-Rai	6M	Anthony

Thank you for hearing your child read and completing your child's Reading Record every evening.

## Attendance Matters



OVERALL ATTENDANCE 91% A DIP THIS WEEK.

CLASS	%	CLASS	%
RTA	93%	3W	91%
RM	75%	4WH	90%
IG	86%	4PM	93%
IKJ	92%	5F	90%
2T	93%	5S	88%
2WM	97%	6F	93%
3M	89%	6M	93%

This week's winners are 2WM ~ enjoy your extra PE time with Coach Dylan!

This week in school.....

- Congratulations to Year 1 who have completed their Phonics Screening tests. We were visited on Tuesday by the Local Authority to check the administration of the tests and can share that this was successful.
- Well done to Year 4 who completed their Statutory Multiplication Test this week.
- Miss Trodden attended a Writing moderation meeting with the MAC and we are pleased to share that our judgements were agreed on.
- Miss Wood hosted and led a very successful Science training development meeting with local schools.
- Members of our DSL team met with our local hub- Yardley- to have further training in how to support families in the Early Help process. Please contact school whenever you feel in need of extra support.
- Miss Finnegan, Mrs Girling and Coach Dylan took a group of our Year 5 footballers to represent school in a St Teresa's MAC Football tournament at Holy Trinity Secondary School. Our pupils represented school superbly and we are delighted to share that we came 3rd! Well done all!

Information from Mr Henvey our Special Educational Needs Leader

Birmingham are launching a new Inclusion and SEND strategy. This may be something you are interested in attending. Please follow the link below. If you wish your child/ren to join you please inform the office.

Celebrating the launch of the Birmingham Inclusion Strategy and SEND Strategy (an event for children, young people and their families).

When - Monday, 10 July 2023: Edgbaston Cricket Ground B5 7QU.

Time - 10:00-12:30

Agenda highlights include: an inspirational keynote presentation on overcoming adversity from [Darren Harris](#), former blind England footballer and founder of **Unblind the Mind®**

Book your place here: [SEND and Inclusion Strategy Launch](#)



Lovely Continued Warm Weather!



As the warm weather continues your child may come to school without wearing a tie or they may choose to wear correct P.E kit. This is a plain white t-shirt and navy blue shorts or leggings. No patterned t-shirts/ football shirts please.

Another reminder- please remember to provide a cap / hat for your child and please do write your child's name on it and on their cardigans and jumpers.

Sun screen should be applied before the start of the school day as we are unable to apply it during the school day. Thank you.



### SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

As you will know, we regularly talk to pupils about keeping safe both inside and outside of school.

This week we have spoken particularly to our Year 6 pupils, as many of them walk to and from school independently now as part of their transition to secondary school, and reminded them about being alert and vigilant on their journeys.

We are unable to control the actions which some members of the public choose to do around the local area which may compromise the safety of our families. However, when alerted, we strive to ensure we are visible as a safety support as you all arrive and leave school.

As necessary, we always alert the police and other local schools in an effort to make Acocks Green a safe place for us all.

Thank you for all of your continued support.

# Skips™ Safety Net



With the summer holidays just around the corner, children are looking forward to having more free time. For many, this will be spent online. Parents do worry about what their children are doing online and need ongoing support.

Please see attached the link to an information sheet on keeping children safe online over the summer holidays. It contains timely reminders of the key Safety Net messages and how to set parental controls.

## School's out for summer!

**It's always best to be prepared**

During the summer holidays, without the distraction of school, internet usage for many young people can increase all the way up to September. This guide is designed to help parents with a realistic approach to help keep their children safe when using the internet, social media and playing online games. Please click on each image below for more information.

**A Parent's Guide to Social Media**

**A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures**

**A Parent's Guide to Gaming**

**A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming**

**A Parent's Guide to Online Grooming**

**A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers**

**A Parent's Guide to Fake News**

**A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings**

**Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.**

**Parents** please contact your school if you would like to attend a parents internet safety workshop or have any concerns.

**Schools** please [contact us](#) if you would like a SKIPS Safety Net session delivered to your parent groups or staff.

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Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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**Keeping children safe online** [www.skipssafetynet.org](http://www.skipssafetynet.org)

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If you are worried about a child contact Birmingham Children's Information and Advice Service on 0121 303 1888 or directly to the Police. Outside office hours, call the emergency duty team 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on: 0121 675 4806.

Neglect or abuse of a child is a criminal offence.

**SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY**