



# Sacred Heart News

Dear Parent and Carers,

We all hope you had an enjoyable weekend with family and friends. Last week we held our very first whole school collective worship in nearly 2 years. It was wonderful having all the children together in one space. We will continue with whole school collective worship each Monday morning basing our worship on the Gospel reading from Sunday's Mass.

We are very fortunate to be starting the school year with a wonderful new online resource to support our collective worship and relationships and health education. 'Ten Ten' is a leading provider of faith-based resources for Catholic primary schools. The programme helps school communities grow in faith, love, understanding and compassion. The resources are interactive, child friendly and engaging. We are really looking forward to using them now we can resume our whole school collective worship services. Today's message was to expect the unexpected!

'Life to the Full' is a programme to enhance our relationship help education sessions. It is fully in line with the expectations of the National Curriculum and includes teaching about personal health, physical and emotional well-being.

We are very happy to say that Reception class are now with us for full days and settling into life at Sacred Heart beautifully. This year we are able to re-introduce the Reception-Year 6 buddy programme, which in previous (pre-pandemic) years has been very successful. The children in Reception will all be assigned one or two Year 6 buddies who will meet them and help them attend whole school collective worships, support them at whole school events and generally just be a helpful older friend as they settle into our school community. We are confident that Year 6 will provide inspiring role models and make us all proud.

Yours faithfully,

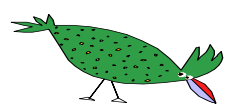
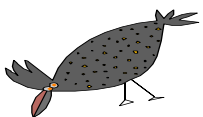
Alison Ashworth (EHT), Mrs Gilhooly (AHT) and Mrs Rhodes (AHT).



Family prayer for the 24th week in ordinary time.

*Christ Jesus, you call us to follow you. May we have the courage to answer that call, even in the most difficult times.*

*Amen.*



## Ripon Poetry Festival

Eva, Year 5, is now a published author! Her poem has successfully been selected for inclusion in this year's Ripon Poetry Festival anthology, *The Other Side of the Looking Glass* with her poem, entitled 'Lockdown poem'. The anthology will be published in October and Eva will read her poem at the book launch.

Many congratulations, Eva!



### 23rd Sunday in ordinary time- Upcoming events this week:

**Monday– 9.00 Whole school collective worship; Year 5 and Year 6 PE; Y1-6 Lego club after school**

**Tuesday– Reception and Y3/4 PE**

**Wednesday– Y1/2 and Y2/3 PE; Y1-4 Arts and Crafts club after school**

**Thursday– Y3/4 and Y6 PE; Y1-2 Multi sports club after school**

**Friday– Y2/3 PE; Y3-6 Dodgeball after school**

### **Mass**

**Please visit the websites of our parishes to access the bulletins.**

**[www.sacredheartilkley.org.uk](http://www.sacredheartilkley.org.uk)**

**and**

**[www.ssfishermore.co.uk](http://www.ssfishermore.co.uk).**

### **Upcoming events for Half Term 1**

- ◆ Friday 24th September– Macmillan Coffee morning 9.30-11.30, outside, weather permitting
- ◆ Monday 27th September– Feast day of St Vincent
- ◆ Week beginning 27th September– Fire evacuation drill
- ◆ Thursday 30th September– KS1 parents information evening, 5.30-6.15
- ◆ Monday 4th October– Feast day of St Francis
- ◆ Week beginning 18th October– World Faiths week
- ◆ School closes on Thursday 21st October until Monday 1st November– October half term
- ◆ Friday 22nd October– School closed (Staff training day)