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Sacred Heart Voluntary  
Catholic Academy

Induction evening  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018



## Welcome – aims of the evening

- Explain what happens in Foundation Stage – learning and assessment
- Explain the induction process
- Uniform
- Lunch and snacks
- Parental engagement
- Homework



## What is the Foundation Stage – Learning?

7 areas of learning – 3 prime and 4 specific areas.

These areas are:

- PSED- behaviour, confidence, attitude
- Communication and Language – speaking, listening, understanding
- Physical Development – P.E kit
- Literacy – Phonics, reading, writing
- Mathematics – Numbers & Shape, space and measure
- Understanding the World – Science, Geography, History, R.E
- Expressive arts and design – Music, D&T, Art

Thematic learning, practical, play based learning



## What is Foundation Stage – Characteristics of Effective Learning?

- **playing and exploring** - children investigate and experience things, and ‘have a go’;
- **active learning** - children concentrate and keep on trying if they encounter difficulties, and enjoy achievements; and
- **creating and thinking critically** - children have and develop their own ideas, make links between ideas, and develop strategies for doing things.





## How do we teach at Sacred Heart?

- Growth mindset
- Rainbow challenges – independent learning
- Adult led learning
- Child led learning
- Practical, fun and stimulating
- Literacy based learning
- Indoor and outdoor
- Parental support – homework, Tapestry input.

## What is the Foundation Stage – Assessment?

- Baseline – when they first enter the Foundation Stage setting.
- End of Autumn, End of Spring and Summer term.
- Emerging, Expected and Exceeding – GLD

Assessments are completed through:

- Observations
- Adult led work
- Child initiated work
- Parental input



## School readiness

2015-2016 county wide initiative to define what school readiness is.

### Key areas

- Good communication skills
- Self – care of health – toileting, getting dressed and undressed
- Ability to play with others/play alongside
- Ability to leave parents/carers

Home learning journal



## What is the induction process?

- Induction evening
  - Summer term visits – 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> July, 10:00am-12 pm
  - Summer term visits – tea and coffee for new parents in the studio.
- Staggered start
- Starting school – 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31st August 8:50am – 11:30am
  - Parental visits from 12:45pm till 3:30pm each afternoon (optional)
  - At school – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September 8:50am – 1:00pm. The children stay for lunch.
  - 10<sup>th</sup> September onwards – full time 8:50am – 3:30pm
  - 19<sup>th</sup> September – 6:00pm onwards Phonics evening in the hall



## Uniform

- School colours are maroon and grey
- All children to have white polo shirts with the school logo on.
- Boys – grey trousers, grey socks, school jumper and black school shoes.
- Girls – grey skirt/ grey pinafore dress, grey tights/grey socks, school jumper or cardigan and black school shoes. Summer dresses can be worn in first half of the Autumn term and in the Summer term. These are to worn with white socks and not tights.
- P.E kit – white school t-shirt, plain burgundy shorts, grey tracksuit bottoms and jumper. Plimsolls, trainers optional in the colder, wetter weather.
- Spare clothing
- Book bag

Please make sure everything is labelled.



## Break times, lunch times, milk and snack

- Children are encouraged to go onto the main playground as soon as possible.
- Buddy with Year Six at lunchtimes.
- Milk – till the day your child is five. You can pay after that.
- School provide a healthy snack – ‘just in case’.
- Lunch – all entitled to a free school meal. Lunch boxes to be nut free and healthy.



## Parental engagement

- Home learning journal – return when they start school
- Tapestry
- Consultation evening – 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September
- Trips 1: 5
- Reading sessions
- Craft sessions



## Health and safety – Your child's health

- Contact the office on the day of your child's illness.
- 48 hours off **after** the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.
- We are able to administer medication if the correct forms are filled in at the office.





## Homework

- Family photo – send in on the induction visits.
- Welcome boxes

Please return all paperwork to the office before the  
29<sup>th</sup> June