

Parent Teacher Association



Sacred Heart
RC Primary
School,
Battersea



NEWS



2018

Connecting home and school.
Together Stronger. Together Better.

Dates to remember!

Summer Term - May

7th Bank Holiday

21st Open PTA evening meeting @7pm

In Sacred Heart Church

28th May – 1st June Half Term

Thank you and good luck!

At the end of the Spring Term we said goodbye to Co-Chair Agnes Strzechowska who has decided to step down. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her commitment and for her passionate work. She was the initiator of the PTA which will hopefully stay in SH school for many years to come. We wish her the very best in the future.

WANTED!

Are you a **media savvy mum or dad** who has about **30 min** a week to post updates and notifications on **Facebook**? If interested, please leave your details at the reception.

Thank you!



The Spring Clean-up Day on HOLD

Due to Mr Roger's (the SH School Caretaker) new arrival, this event has been postponed.

Congratulations to Roger & his wife on their beautiful baby boy! Best wishes and

enjoy your Paternity Leave!



Could you make **brushing time more fun**? Check out this fantastic **competitive overleaf!**



'If you want to walk on water, you have to get out of the boat', someone said recently. Life is full of challenges. OR adventures? What is lying ahead for us this month?

EVENING OPEN MEETING

This month we are meeting in the evening in **Sacred Heart Church** on May 21st at an earlier time of **6.30pm**. The PTA meeting shall start with the **Headteacher's 30 min Forum**, where Mr Brading will endeavour to answer any questions you may have. If your questions require in-depth answers, we politely ask you to email them first to pta@sacredheartschoolbattersea.co.uk. All parents welcome. Do join us to find out about the progress of the Playground Project, PTA's spending plans and get your questions answered. Nibbles provided.

CHARITY STATUS

As May is turning out to be a quieter month, we have decided to tackle this at last and start preparing all the paperwork. We will keep you updated. If anyone has any experience of applying for a Charity Status, please get in touch.

THE HAPPY SCHOOL BAG & EMPTIES PLEASE

Both are now set up as long-term fundraisers. You will find the bin for the **empty cartridges** in the foyer. The list of all the suitable ink cartridges and toners will be attached to it, so please make a note of your empties and check if they're recyclable with **EmptiesPlease**. **We will get 50 pence for every branded toner that can be recycled**. Please check with your employers if they would like to recycle the cartridges in an environmentally friendly way.

The Happy School Bag collection has been booked for the **3rd of July'18** and we will distribute the bags and let you know more details next month. **We will get £0.65 per kilo**. Please hold on to your unwanted clothes, shoes, books, games, etc. Every little bit will make a difference.

TEACHER APPRECIATION

All over the world, the vocation and dedication of teachers is noted and celebrated once a year. Here in Sacred Heart, we would like our teachers to know how much we appreciate their hard work and what difference they make in lives of our children. We would like to dedicate the month of May to **Teacher Appreciation** and ask the children and parents (if they feel inspired to) to write 'Thank you' notes to teachers who inspired, supported, encouraged and helped them. Please be specific. You can write one note per each teacher, for as many teachers as you like. The Teacher Appreciation Station' will be set up from May 14th by the Eastertide table, where you can write the 'Thank you' notes. If you enjoy paper craft, you can help us decorate the station with paper flowers.

DISCO FEVER

The last weekend of April, the school hall became alive with music, dance and colourful, shimmering patterns of lights. That's right! Altogether, **113 children** attended the first PTA Disco. And what fun they had! A big 'Thank you' to **Don Rae** from the **Don Rae Academy**, who offered his time to lead the younger children in the 1st session. **Children in KS2** were eager to lead their own fun and show off their moves on the dance floor: break-dance, hip-hop, you name it- it was hard to resist the beat of the music. Such fun to see all the children enjoy themselves. A big '**Thank you**' to **all the parents**, who gave up their late Saturday afternoon to accompany their children. **Thank you** for bearing with us, while we were working out some Health & Safety issues: keeping the fire exits clear and making sure we had a safe number of people in the Hall. These teething problems often arise at first events and prove an important learning curve for future events. A big 'Thank you' to Ms Bolton for manning the exits and keeping an eagle eye on children going to toilets. Another huge '**Thank you**' to all the helpers and volunteers, who made this event a success: the events team Ella (Gabi,Sophie&Jacob), Isabelle (Lilly-Rose&Athenaise), Joanna (Aleksandra&Antoni) for tirelessly selling tickets as always; Mariya(Theodor) & Nathalie(Kheliya)- online payments, Kseniya (Maxim, Alex &Nicki)- glow sticks; hotdog table- Jannet (Billy), Nail Bar & Hair Chalk -Particia (Victoria&Christian) and Glitter Tattoos -Kat (Gabriella), refreshments – Dorota (Tosia &Antos) and Magda (Leon&Tobias), A big 'Thank you' to Toby (Sienna's dad) for helping to move the piano and Lilly's dad (1N) for climbing up the tallest ladder to attach the glitter ball and all the other unsung heroes. We couldn't have done it without you. This event raised a much appreciated **£454** and you did that! We are another step closer to reaching our playground target. **Thank you!**

Can you spare **30 min once a week?** Do you enjoy reading? Please consider becoming a **Reading Volunteer**. It's a rewarding and worthwhile job. If interested, please talk



to any class teacher.

PTA and GDPR

On 25th May 2018 the General Data Protection Regulations will become law in the UK which will affect the way PTAs handle data legally, as a separate-from- school 'Data Controller'. In a nutshell, what this means is that we will only collect the information we need and get rid of it securely once its purpose has been served. If we need to hold on to the information longer term, we are obliged to make it clear to parents when we ask for it.

Win £1,000 worth of equipment for your school and a whole class sleepover at the Science Museum with Aquafresh Inventors Academy. Competition ends: **31 May 2018**

How to enter

This engaging activity has been created to support the brand's new **Aquafresh Advance** 9-12 range, whilst also helping you get your children to realise the importance of good oral hygiene!

What can your kids invent to make cleaning teeth more fun?

From toothbrush maracas to flying toothpaste tubes... we'd love to see all the imaginative ideas your child can come up with to make brush time more enjoyable.

All you need to do is go on over to the **Aquafresh Inventors Academy microsite** and upload a picture of your child's invention or innovative idea. Open to children between the ages of 7 and 11 from 26th March - so get brushing-up and create a fun invention to enter!

* Terms and Conditions apply; Competition open to 7-11-year olds. Parent/Carer must enter online on behalf of eligible child.

Visit www.AquafreshInventorsAcademy.com for instructions of how to upload a photo of your invention for the chance to win a sleepover at the Science Museum on 06/07/2018. Entries close at midnight at 31/05/2018. Please see competition and prize details in full T&Cs which can be found at www.AquafreshInventorsAcademy.com.