On Sunday we celebrated the Feast of Christ the King and the end of the liturgical year. In Worship today the children listened about the thief on the cross who reached out to Jesus and received His love and mercy, children reflected and were invited to think about when they had been unkind to others, argued with a friend, parent, brother or sister? We finished with this prayer… Jesus, thank you for loving us so much that you died for us on the cross. Thank you that you love us no matter what we say or do. Thank you that we can always come back to you. Fill us with your love and mercy. Amen

Christmas Food Parcels
Living Waters Church and Food Bank do lots of amazing work to support families in our local community, especially at Christmas. They have previously donated Christmas food parcels to some of our families. At school we know that Christmas can be a busy and difficult time and we want to ensure that our families are supported. If you feel you would benefit from a food parcel in December then please contact Laura Fee, our Family Support Worker, via the office or email Laura directly- lfee@sacredheart-chorley.lancs.sch.uk. Any requests will be handled sensitively.

Thank you to our Yr 5 and Yr 3 parents / grandparents who attended our Learning Looks on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. Mr Worthington taught ‘relative clauses’ there were activities on Maths Watch, Artic Alive Map, Digi Maps and relative clauses. In our Yr 3 Learning Look Mrs Friel demonstrated how we teach multiplication using the grid method. We also had the Artic Map for exploring. The session concluded with a bingo game, much to everyone’s delight. #SHCPChorleyYear3

Following our session we have sent out a survey, these will remain open until tomorrow. We do value your feedback. Our Stay & Play, Stay & Learn and Learning Looks have now concluded for the Autumn term.

Dates for the Spring term are:
- Nursery: Friday 24th January
- Reception Class: Friday 31st January
- Yr 2: Thursday 27th February
- Nursery: Friday 28th February
- Yr 1: Thursday 5th March
- Reception Class: Friday 6th March
Our ‘Travelling Posada’ has got off to a great start. This year we are inviting families to tweet when the Posada comes home. It has been lovely to share in everyone’s experiences. Check out #SHCPChorleyRE and you can see for yourself.

We are asking families to tweet their Posada pictures to @SHCPChorley with SHCPChorleyRE.

Christmas Bingo will be on Thursday 19th December 2019. Doors open at 6.00pm for Eyes Down at 6.30pm. Thanks you for all your Bag2School donations, I am very happy to inform you that the total raised was £176.80.

100 Club
There is still time to by into our 100 Club Draw. Charges are on your SCOPAY account. £10 for 10 months.

Sacred Heart Christmas Shopping Night
Thursday 28th November
7:00 pm
Adults Only £1.00 per ticket includes free entry to raffles
Cakes, Toys, Books, Refreshments available
Dancewear, Glitter, Glasses, Baubles & Crochet

Last Monday after school our Indoor Cricket team were competing again, they only went and won all their matches last week! Well Done team, a great effort. We have played all our games and after the last evening of games we will find out how we have finished up in the league.

On Thursday our Football Team were back in action at the Chorley School Finals. Our children played well as a team but unfortunately on this occasion they were out matched. However they have finished 5th out of the 25 schools in Chorley who have taken part. This is a great accomplishment. It has been Sacred Hearts best place in the Chorley Schools league in recent years. Well done team! Thank you to Mr Stow, Mr Cooper and Mr Worthington who have worked with the children.

We congratulate Coppull Community School who went on to win the league and will represent Chorley at the Lancashire Youth Games at Blackpool next Summer.
Espresso is a website which school subscribes to on behalf of the child to enable home access. The website has a wealth of educational resources from phonics to maths, even its own news channel which is age appropriate. Please make use of this resource and let me know your comments.

https://online.espresso.co.uk/espresso/login/Authn/
Username—student18881
Password – monkey

House Points totals for last week—
St. Benedict: 191
St. Augustine: 141
St. Dominic: 112
St. Francis: 98

What’s your story Chorley 2020
This year, Chorley are once again holding their ‘What’s your story Chorley’ festival. This is a fantastic festival of words and fun for all the family including reading, writing and storytelling. In previous years we have created benches on the theme of Roald Dahl’s Matilda and Marcus Pfister’s The Rainbow Fish. This year’s theme is “How to Train Your Dragon” by Cressida Cowell.

We need your help! Can you help design our Book Bench?

We need you to create a design based on the story of “How to Train Your Dragon”, one winning design will be chosen and some children will be asked to help in the painting of our bench. Your design must include the front and back of the bench, based on the theme of the book, please also include our school badge. All design entries to be handed to Mrs Chenery before the Christmas break (by Friday 20th December 2019). There will be a prize for the winning design.

Once painted, our Book Bench will be displayed in Chorley town centre during the festival period – it will then be returned to school for us to keep and enjoy. So get your creative thinking caps on everybody – Good luck!
Last week we hosted Synod2020 theme 2 meeting in Active Hearts. The turn out was very positive. Parents and parishioners who were not able to attend are able to submit a proposal via this website.

https://synod2020.co.uk/themes/proposals/missions

When making your proposals the Archbishop is asking you to be brave, courageous and think outside the box. Please write your proposal as to what you want to see happen in the Chorley area. This is your opportunity to have your say on how to shape the future of your Liverpool Archdiocese.

SYNOD 2020: Prayer
Prayer Loving God,
We thank you for the call in our lives
to proclaim the good news of your son Jesus.
Like him, may we bring your compassion and care for the poor.
May we bring sight to the blind, freedom to those held captive, and together work for the transformation of our world.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The children are now prepared to take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession). This will be on Thursday 2nd December at 2.15pm. Please note the change of time from previous years. We ask you to remember the children in your prayers as they prepare to make this sacrament.

LIGHT A LIFE
Next weekend shortly after the Sunday 11.00am Mass we will hold the Light A Life service. This will be followed by light refreshments. All welcome.

SYNOD 2020
Following the meetings held in Chorley Pastoral area on Theme One, 35 proposals on this theme will be submitted to the Synod Office. A copy of the proposals is displayed on the Synod Board in the Porch. Please keep the process in your prayers as we have 3 more themes to discern.

FOOD BANK
Living Waters Food Bank were very grateful for our first donation to them which we made this week. Thank you to all Parishioners who have contributed. We will continue to collect for this worthy cause. Please place donations in the box in the porch.

NOVEMBER PIOUS LIST
Fr Ball continues to say Mass for all those names who have been added to The Pious List book.

Class Come & See assemblies will return in the summer term. Here are the dates in advance in case you need to book a late start to work.

Assemblies start after morning registration and usually finish for 9.30am. approx.

Yr R—Thursday 2nd July 2020
Yr1—Thursday 11th June 2020
Yr 2—Thursday 30th April 2020
Yr 3—Tuesday 23rd June 2020
Yr 4—Thursday 21st May 2020
Yr 5—Thursday 7th May 2020
Yr 6—Tuesday 14th July 2020
—Leavers Assembly time tbc
Every week is such a busy week in school. There is so much going on that it is very easy to miss out on the fantastic learning which is taking place. Twitter is an ideal opportunity to give you an insight to see what your children are learning at school. It is also another ideal opportunity to see what is happening in other classes too.

In case you have missed it, here are just some of the highlights from last week alone!

Reception enjoying our Friday morning Library session! #SHCPChorleyYearR
Reception children working hard in the Creative Area. #SHCPChorleyYearR
Yr 1 are learning about poetry. Here is an Autumn poem that we are reciting. #SHCPChorleyYear1
#SHCPChorleyYear6 Fencing in action!
Our wonderful Reception children had one final look at our decaying foods today. They have really changed #SHCPChorleyYearR
More fun at Billy Bear’s Birthday! Billy Bear gave everyone a chocolate! #SHCPChorleyYearR
Reception are excited to celebrate Billy Bear’s birthday this afternoon, it looks like he’s going to have a fantastic party! #SHCPChorleyYearR
#SHCPChorleyYearN Nursery acted out the travelling nativity as part of our class Posada

Last night we put a tray with water and animals outside to see what would happen. When we checked this morning the water had frozen! #SHCPChorleyYearN

Active Hearts
Breakfast Club—available each morning from 7.30am to 8.45am.
Our Afterschool Club has been getting busier and busier.
Although we always try to accommodate last minute bookings, unfortunately we are not always able to. Please be aware of this should you need to book at short notice.

Friday Film Night
This weeks film is The Lion King.
Bookings can be made via the school office.

PTFA Shopping Evening
Thursday 28th November at 7pm
Advent Mass
Thursday 5th December
Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 10th December
Nativity Performances
Wednesday 11th December
General Election
Thursday 12th December
Yr R, Yr 1 & Yr 2 Panto Trip
Friday 13th December
Yr 5 & Yr 6 Carol Concert
Thursday 12th December
BFC& ASC in Nursery Classroom
Nativity Performances
Friday 13th December
Yr R, Yr 1 & Yr 2 Christmas Lunch
Thursday 12th December
Yr R, Yr 1 & Yr 2 Panto Trip
Monday 16th December
Yr 5 & Yr 6 Carol Concert
Monday 16th December
BFC& ASC in Nursery Classroom
Nativity Performances
Tuesday 17th December
KS2 Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 17th December
KS2 Theatre Visit
Wednesday 18th December
PTFA Christmas Bingo
Wednesday 18th December

Polling Station
On Thursday 12th December our new Active Hearts building will be used as a Polling Station for the General Election. School will remain OPEN on this day. Breakfast and After School club will take place in our Nursery Classroom. Nursery sessions will go ahead as normal.

School Closes for Christmas Break
Friday 20th December 2019
School reopens Monday 6th January 2020

Dates for your diary.....
Monday
Breakfast Club
Early Bird IDL Club
Whole School Worship
Dodge Ball Club
Active Hearts After School Club
Yr 6 Parents’ Evening 1 of 2
Resources Governors Meeting
Full Governors Meeting

Tuesday
Breakfast Club
Early Bird IDL Club
Yr R visiting Fr Ball in Church
NO Young Voices Club
Yr 3/4 Athletics Club
Active Hearts After School Club
Yr 6 Parents’ Evening 2 of 2

Wednesday
Breakfast Club
Early Bird IDL Club
Unify Bank—Paying in Session
Children’s Anxiety Parent’s Workshop
Subject Leader Meetings
PE Lessons with Mr Greener
After School Athletics with Mr Greener
Active Hearts After School Club

Thursday
Breakfast Club
Early Bird IDL Club
Yr N visiting Fr Ball in church
Yr 5 Music Lessons with Mr Crane
Music Lessons with Mr French
Yr 6 Fencing
After School Fencing Club
Active Hearts After School Club
Science Staff Meeting
7.00pm PTFA Shopping Evening

Friday
Breakfast Club
Early Bird IDL Club
KS1 Kurling Festival at St Michaels High School
Yr 4 KidSafe Cyberbullying Workshop
KS 2 Kurling Festival at St Michaels High School
NO Celebration Assembly
Active Hearts Afterschool Club

Last Tuesday, the School Council met and discussed what we had done so far this year. They were very enthusiastic about meeting the Mayor at the Town Hall during Parliament Week. They also enjoyed making the display outside for Remembrance Day. They discussed the success of Children In Need day which they organised.
Looking forward, they are keen to review and improve how the school recycles currently.

Mr Broderick