



Holy Family School

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Virtues and Values

The virtues and values that we will be focussing on during this half term will be **Curious and Active**. In our Monday morning assembly children were thought about how their curiosity can help them to become more independent learners. We also talked about the importance of being active in helping others in our school, parish and community. We focussed again on how Saint Teresa was so active in helping people across the world. Please encourage your children to demonstrate these values at home as well as in school.

Uniform

Nearly all of our children are in correct uniform which is fantastic!

A reminder that children should be wearing:

- **grey** trousers/skirts,
- black v-neck sweatshirt or cardigan with our school logo
- white school shirt with a traditional collar (not rounded)
- school tie (clip on ties need to be put through the top button hole of their shirt)
- black school shoes.

We look forward to your continued support and welcome any questions that you might have regarding uniform.

Life in the UK

Do you want to learn more about 'Life in the UK'?
Customs & traditions, religions, sport, art & culture, leisure, places of interest, history and more.

Everyone welcome and improve your English skills at the same time!

Wednesday's
1.15 - 3.00

Secondary Transfers - Year 5

Secondary school 'Open Evenings' are taking place over the next couple of weeks - do go and see the schools you are considering for your child.

Make sure you get to our local Catholic school sessions too as follows:-

Holy Trinity

Thursday 22nd September 3.00 - 6.00

Archbishop Ilsley

Wednesday 21st September 5.30 - 8.00

Mr Alexander the headteacher of Archbishop Ilsley will speak to Year 6 parents before the Inspire Workshop next Wednesday 21st at 1.30 pm

Mr Foley will speak to parents about the secondary transfer process after the Inspire Workshop.

Get Active!

It is vitally important that our children are active both in and out of school.

A 5km Park Run is completely free and open to all at Canon Hill Park every Saturday morning.

You can register for free at
<http://www.parkrun.org.uk/>

This Week's Highlights

Monday	Eid
Wednesday	Y2 visit to Lickey Hills
Thursday	Celebration Assembly
Friday	School Nutrition Group Meeting (SNAG)

Holy Family Catholic School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

Day	Date	Event
Wed	21 st Sep 1.30	Year 6 Inspire
Tue	27 th Sep 9.00	Year 5 Inspire
Tue	27 th Sep 1.30	Year 4 Inspire
Tue	5 th Oct 9.00	Year 2 Inspire
Wed	5 th Oct 3.00	Children's book open evening
Thur	6 th Oct 10.30	Mass Y5 in school
Wed	12 th Oct 9.00	Year 1 Inspire
Wed	12 th Oct From 1.30	Parents Evening
Thur	13 th Oct 9.00	Reception Inspire
Thur	13 th Oct 1.30	Year 3 Inspire
Thur	20 th Oct 10.30	Harvest Mass
Wed	2 nd Nov 10.30	Mass Y6
Wed	21st Dec 1.00	School closes for Christmas Holiday ADVANCE NOTICE
Monday	9th Jan 2017	School Re-opens ADVANCE NOTICE

Regular Reminders		
Holy Family is a 'Reading' School - ensure you hear your child read every evening	Daily	20 minutes
Breakfast Club	Daily	8.05 - 8.35
Money Day	Mondays	
Life in the UK Course	Wednesdays	1.15 - 3.00
Parent Voice Meeting	Wednesdays	8.40 All welcome
Parents Phonic Surgery	Wednesdays	2.00 - 3.00 All welcome
School Uniform sales	Wednesdays	2.30 - 3.00
Saturday Sports Club	Saturdays with Colm	9.30 - 11.30
Headlice - check your child's hair with a fine toothed comb	Weekly at the weekend	
We are collecting Sainbury's Vouchers	During promotion	

Attendance
A reminder to all parents that any requests for extended leave during term time will be refused. It is vital that your child is in school every day to fully achieve their potential, even a short absence can really harm the progress that your child makes. Furthermore, poor attendance can lead to fines being issued to you by the local authority and your child's place at Holy Family could be at risk!
We aim for 100% Attendance and Punctuality for EVERY child
Class of the Week 9.9.16 Year 6 with 100.00% 😊😊😊
Whole School Target 97%
Whole School Attendance 95.28% ☹

Nursery
FREE 2, 3 & 4 Year Old Places
Please make sure you have put your child's name on our waiting list and ask your friends and neighbours too so that we can contact families when their child is eligible to start.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES				
Day	Physical Activity	Staff	Other Activity	Staff
Monday	TKD Free	Julie-Ann Years 1 & 2	Y6 Homework Club Free	Miss Walker Y6
Tuesday	Dance £2.00 Baking £1.00	Jade KS2 Miss Flynn Years 5&6 only	Library Free	Mrs Guest All welcome
Wednesday	Cricket £2.00	Callum KS2		
Thursday Collect @ 3.50 from playground	Football £2.00	Callum KS2	Choir Free Homework Club Free	Mrs O'Driscoll KS2 HFS Staff Y3/Y4/Y5
Friday	Multi Skills No charge	Colm & Callum Children invited	Sign Language £2.00	Mrs Maloney KS2

Mass times
Holy Family Catholic Church
Saturday 4.00 pm Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

*I hope our Muslim families enjoyed a prayerful and peaceful Eid on Monday
God Bless, Mr Foley
16th September 2016*