



# Holy Family School

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## Harvest Mass & Festival

On Thursday this week our year 6 children led us in a wonderful mass to celebrate our harvest collection. I'm delighted to say that we collected a huge amount of food and toiletries for the homeless in our communities, so much in fact that we had to make two trips to the Fireside Centre! Thank you for your support and generosity!

## Safety and Security

Can I remind parents that you are not allowed to enter the school building at the start or end of the school day.

If you need to come into school you must leave the playground by the Oldknow Road gate and go round to the office at the main entrance.

Thank you.

## Family Support Worker

Karen our family support worker is here to help you.

If you would like to speak to her, please make an appointment at the school office. She can help you with a wide variety of issues or concerns such as housing, finances & debt, child development or anything that is worrying you.

## 'Stay & Play'

### Start's After Half Term

For mum's or dad's and little ones  
Wednesday's from 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
9.00 - 10.30

## School Cleaner Required

2 hours per day 3.30 - 5.30 + 4 additional weeks - 1 in February, 1 at Easter & 2 in the summer.

Apply online on the Cityserve website or contact recruitment on 464 9021 for an application form.

## This Week's Highlights

Monday Black History Month Assembly  
Wednesday Life in the UK workshop - all welcome  
Thursday Harvest Mass

## Reminders

### Monday is Money Day

All monies need to come into school on Monday's please.

### Outstanding Dinner Money

Miss Keating has been chasing outstanding dinner money - please ensure you pay up to date on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### Mathletics

Thank you to those parents that have paid - if you haven't sent in your £2.50 per child please send it in on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### Orange Data Collection Form

We are still waiting for some of these forms to be returned - please send them in after half term - thank you.

## 'Be Active'

We are actively encouraging children to be more active both in and out of school.

Why not take the family for a swim or a walk in the park during Half Term?

## Secondary Schools - Year 6

Parents need to apply online as soon as possible and before 31<sup>st</sup> October.

## Winter Coats

Please ensure your child has a warm coat in school every day after half term with a scarf, hat & gloves as necessary.

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

| Day           | Date                                | Event   |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Fri           | 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct                | School Closes for Half Term                                   |
| Mon           | 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct                | School Re-opens   |
| Wed           | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov<br>10.30        | Mass Y6   |
| Tues          | 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov                 | CWL Bingo   |
| Tues          | 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov                | Open Morning 9 – 10.30  |
| Sat           | 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov                | Parish Christmas Fayre  |
| Thur          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec<br>10.30        | Mass Y4   |
| Fri           | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec                 | EYFS Fairytale Mix  |
| <b>Wed</b>    | <b>21<sup>st</sup> Dec<br/>1.00</b> | <b>School closes for Christmas<br/>Holiday ADVANCE NOTICE</b> |
| <b>Monday</b> | <b>9<sup>th</sup> Jan<br/>2017</b>  | <b>School Re-opens<br/>ADVANCE NOTICE</b>                     |

| 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             | 1.30 - 3.00                |
| Parent Voice Meeting  | Wednesdays             | 8.40<br>All welcome        |
| Parents Phonic Surgery<br>From 11 <sup>th</sup> October                           | Tuesdays               | 2.00 - 3.00<br>All welcome |
| School Uniform sales  | Wednesdays             | 2.30 - 3.00                |
| Saturday Sports Club  | Saturdays with<br>Colm | 9.30 - 11.30               |
| Headlice - check your child's hair with a fine toothed comb                       | Weekly at the weekend  |                            |

**Parent's Group**

Parent's group now meet every **Friday** at 2.15 in the DT room.

All parents are welcome to come along for a cup of tea and a chat!

**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.

**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 14.10.16  
**Year 5 with 98.06 % 😊**  
Whole School Target 97%  
**Whole School Attendance 96.75 % 😊**

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

**Mass times**

**Holy Family Catholic Church**

Saturday 4.00 pm  
Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

*Enjoy Half Term, God Bless  
Mr Foley  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016*