



Holy Family School

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This Week

We welcomed many of our families back on Tuesday this week after the Eid celebrations of last weekend, I hope you all enjoyed wonderful celebrations. Yesterday we came together as a parish family, as we joined with our sister school St. Bernadette's to celebrate the feast day of St. Peter and St. Paul. We remembered, in this very special mass, the example that St. Peter and St. Paul sets us - Peter being the rock on which the church is built and St. Paul changed his ways to follow our Lord's path. Both apostles gave their lives for their faith. Well done to all of the children who read so beautifully during the Mass. Please remember the children who are being confirmed this Sunday in your prayers. It is a very special day for Demi, Tishawn, Tyquan and Dawid on their sacramental journey, as they receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. We welcome Bishop Robert to our Parish to celebrate confirmation, all are welcome to come to support the children.

Spanish Day

We've enjoyed a very special 'Spanish Day' today in school. Children have been learning all about, not only Spain, but also other Spanish speaking nations. They have explored different foods, sports, dance and will finish this afternoon by performing the Macarena in assembly. Thank you to Ms Fernandez for all of her hard work in organising today.

Attendance

A reminder that it is vitally important that your child is in school everyday, and on time.

This week I have been visiting families of absent children to see how they are, and where needed, to bring them back into school. We will continue to do this if children are repeatedly missing school.

This Week's Highlights

Monday	Eid Celebrations
Tuesday	Incredible Years Parent Workshop
Tuesday	Yr 1/2 Gardening Club
Tuesday	Dance Club
Wednesday	New Reception Storytime
Wednesday	Family Learning Workshop
Wednesday	Stay and Play
Thursday	St Peter and St Paul Mass with St Bernadette's
Thursday	Year 3 Cannock Chase Trip
Thursday	Stay & Read
Friday	Spanish Day
Friday	Sports Coaches

SPORT

In the newsletter last week I promised to share the results of the Catholic cricket tournament from this week. Unfortunately rain stopped play! We are hopeful that the finals day will be rearranged for Monday 17th July.

A reminder that our Sports Day will be taking place at Holy Trinity next Friday, starting at around 9:30. Parents Welcome.

Polite Notice - Parking

Please take care when parking at the beginning and end of the school day outside school.

Children and parents are unable to walk on the pavements safely due to inconsiderate parking.

Parents should not be parking illegally on the roads around our school as it places our/your children in danger.

Day	Date	Future Events
Wednesday	5 th July	Secondary Induction Day
Friday	7 th July	KS1/KS2 Sports Day at Holy Trinity School
Tuesday	18 th Jul	KS1/KS2 Trips
Friday	21 st Jul	Leavers Assembly
Friday	21 st Jul	School finishes for summer at 1:00
Monday	24 th Jul	Non Pupil Day
Tuesday	25 th Jul	Non Pupil Day

Garden Party

We are all invited to a very special event at Corpus Christi Church Gardens, Lyttelton Rd, Stechford on Sunday 16th July. Sister Maura and Sister Maureen are hosting a garden party from 11:30 to 2:30.

All proceeds will go to four charities being supported by the Sisters of Mercy. Please show your generous support.

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

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 23.6.2017

Year 4 with 99.3 % 😊😊

Whole School Target 97%

Whole School Attendance 95.5%

'Stay & Play'

For mums or dads and little ones

Wednesdays

8.45 - 10.15

**Come and see us in Nursery,
after your children have gone into class!!**

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.

Hair

We have had some cases of head lice in school, please carefully check your child's hair weekly. Can you also make sure that children with very long hair have it tied up. Thank you.

Lost Property

I have spoken to a few parents over the last few weeks who have been concerned about uniform and sports kits going missing. Could you please ensure that any items of clothing coming into school are labelled with your child's name and check that your child is bringing back their own uniform/sports kit home.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

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

'Be Active'

Now that the better weather is with us - make time to take the children outside for some time each day to get some exercise.

Birthday Treats

If you are bringing in treats for you child's class to celebrate a birthday please check all ingredients to make sure there are no nuts or traces of nuts. **We are unable to give out homemade treats and if we are unsure we will not give them to the class.**

Reminder - Parent Worries or Concerns

My door is always open if ever you have worries or concerns. I need to know what the problem is before I can help - so please do come and speak to me.

Mass times

Holy Family Catholic Church

Saturday 4.00 pm

Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

God Bless

Mr Foley

Friday 30th June 2017