



Holy Family School

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This Week

Mrs King spoke to the children in Monday's assembly about the feast of Christ the King. This signifies the end of the church year and reminds us to be always ready for the coming of Christ. On Thursday we said goodbye to Mrs Siddique after being with us here at Holy Family for the past 17 years. Mrs Siddique is leaving to spend more time with her family, we will miss her but give thanks for her commitment to the school and wish her well in the future. On Sunday we see the start of Advent, the very special time in which we prepare for the birth of Jesus. We have many celebrations over the next 3 weeks and look forward to being joined by as many parents as possible.

Attendance

It is vitally important that your child is in school and on time everyday. As a school we constantly aim for 100% attendance to make sure your child is getting the very most out of school.

This year we are planning a very special trip in the summer term to Harry Potter World to reward those children with 99% and above attendance for the whole school year.

We visit families if children are not in school as absences are a concern.

Class of the Week w/e 24.11.2017

Year 5 - 98.7% 😊 😊

Whole School Attendance

96.1%

This Week's Highlights

Monday	Gospel Assembly
Monday	Football match
Wednesday	Parents ICT workshop
Thursday	Rec stay and read
Thursday	Celebration assembly

Parish Bazaar

The Parish Bazaar will be taking place in school

TOMORROW

Saturday 2nd December at 12.00

Christmas Coffee Morning

We are still asking for donations to our coffee morning on the 14th of December. We still need lots more items for our tombola

Punctuality

A reminder that it is vital that all children are in school on time at **8:45** and ready to start lessons. The gates open at **8:35** and children are learning as soon as they enter the classroom, it is a vital time! The gates will be closed at **8:45** sharp and children arriving after this time will be marked as late. We appreciate your cooperation with this.

Admission to Reception Class 2018

If you have a child due to start school next September, please ensure you complete the Local Authority Preference Form online **before 4th December**.

Come and see us if you need help applying.

Children already in our Nursery also need to apply as children do not automatically transfer from Nursery to Reception.

Mathletics

I'm delighted to say that we have managed to fund the renewal of Mathletics for this year. Log in details will work from last year however, we will send out these details again in the coming weeks.

Building Work

Access to the school building will be restricted next Tuesday & Wednesday and we will be requesting parents & children to enter/exit by either the Nursery entrance or the Main Office entrance.

Mass times

Holy Family Catholic Church

Saturday 4.00 pm

Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

God Bless

Mr Foley

Friday 1st December 2017

Weather

As we come into Winter I remind you that all children need to have coats, hats and gloves in school. If we do have any weather that may cause the school to shut, then parents will be notified by text, through our Twitter feed and on local radio.

Football Update

Well done to our football teams who represented our school brilliantly in the Catholic Cup 7 a side competition, coming 2nd out of 5 teams, and our 9 a side team who competed well against St. Peter and Paul.

School Photos

Thank you for your photo orders - the photos should be with us in a week or two.

Uniform

Uniform is on sale on Wednesday afternoons from 2.30 pm

READING

It was great to see so many parents in Reception and Year 1 this week for 'Stay and Read'. We remind you that your child should be reading for at least 20 minutes every night. Thank you for your support.

Day	Date	Time	Future Events
Sat	02 December	12.00	Parish Christmas Fayre
Mon	04 December		Nursery, Reception & Year 1 inhouse Theatre
Thurs	07 December	10.30	Advent Mass Year 3 - Church
Wed	13 December	13.00	Jack & Beanstalk Theatre Trip
Thurs	14 December	9.00	Christmas Fund Raising Morning
Tues	19 December	14.00	KS1 Nativity – School Hall
Thurs	21 December	15.00	KS2 Carol Concert - Church
Fri	22 December	10.30	Christmas Mass - Church
Fri	22 December	13.00	School closes for holiday
Mon	08 January	8.45	Back to school – gate opens at 8.35 am

Traffic

Again it came to my attention this morning that some parents are parking dangerously outside the school and some are also dropping off children in the road.

This is incredibly dangerous! For you child's safety it is important that they are brought to either the playground or to the entrance of the gate by an adult.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Day	Physical Activity	Staff	Other Activity	Staff
Monday	TKD Free	Julie-Ann	Library Free	Mrs Guest All welcome
Tuesday	Dance £2.00	Jade	Drama Club (Year 4 Only)	Miss Flynn
Wednesday	Cricket £2.00	Callum KS2		
Thursday Collect @ 3.50 from playground			Reading Club	Mr Foley Mrs King Mrs O'Driscoll Mrs Guest
Friday	Football KS2	Callum KS2	Sign Language £2.00	Mrs Maloney KS2