



# Holy Family School

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## Happy Christmas!

What a week we have had! It has been a very special end to the term with all of the children involved in different events to celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ. At the end of last week we enjoyed our EYFS singalong, on Tuesday afternoon we watched our brilliant KS1 Nativity production and yesterday we joined together in Church for our wonderful KS2 performance. It really does fill me with immense pride to see our amazing children performing with such confidence and joy at this special time of year. We have also come together for our Christmas dinner (thank you to Mrs Burgundy and Mrs Flynn, it was delicious!). On Thursday, we joined our parish family for our end of term Mass to give thanks for all we have achieved and prepare for Christmas. Finally we shared our Golden Book assembly this morning. Once again I would like to thank you all for your continued support and your generosity with your gifts to us all. Have a restful, happy and peaceful Christmas and we look forward to seeing the children back on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January**.

### 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 8.12.2017**

Year 5 - 98.9% ☺

**Whole School Attendance**  
94.62%

### 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.

### 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.

### This Week's Highlights

Monday	Dance Assembly
Tuesday	KS1 Nativity
Wednesday	Christmas dinner
Thursday	End of Term Mass
Thursday	KS2 Carol Service
Friday	Golden Book Assembly

### New Year - New Newsletter

In the new year we will be asking for email addresses so that we can send our newsletter directly to you as well as it being on our website and 'twitter' feed.

### Traffic

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.

### Christmas Mass times

Holy Family Catholic Church

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 4.00 pm**  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December 10.30 am**

*God Bless and Happy Christmas*

*Mr Foley*

*Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017*

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

### 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.

### Uniform

Uniform is on sale on Wednesday afternoons from 2.30 pm

Day	Date	Time	Future Events
Mon	08 January	8.45	Back to school – gate opens at 8.35 am
Tue	16 January		Nasal Flu (re-scheduled)
Mon	12 February		<b>Mission Week</b>
Tue	13 February		Retreat Day – Dan Callow
Wed	14 February		Ash Wednesday
Thur	15 February		Diversity Day
Thur	15 February		Sign to Sing Assembly
Mon	26 February		<b>NON PUPIL DAY – School closed</b>



### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

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