



# Holy Family School

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## This Week

Well done to our Year 6 children this week! I've been so proud of the effort and commitment they've shown towards each one of their SATs tests this week. It can be a stressful week for the children but I'm so pleased to say that the children were not fazed or worried by the tests. The children have received incredible support from staff throughout the school alongside the guidance and encouragement from you as parents. Thank you to everyone who has helped prepare the children, not just in Year 6, but throughout their time in Holy Family - it is a real team effort. We have finished our week with celebrations for the Royal Wedding! We have had ceremonies in Nursery and Reception with all the children taking part and enjoyed our lunch outside with party music. We pray for and wish Prince Harry and Megan future happiness. Have a great weekend!

### 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 11.5.2018

Year 3 99.6% 😊😊

Whole School Attendance

97.1% 😊

### Punctuality

A reminder that registers are taken at 8:45 sharp. Children arriving after this time are late. We have a new sign in system in school - any late children will need to be signed in by parents. This will be closely monitored, parents of children who are repeatedly late will be invited into school to discuss further.

### Extended Leave

Over the last few weeks I have received requests from parents for extended leave for children.

**Under no circumstances will I authorise periods of extended leave.** We are actively working with the local authority to fine parents who are removing children from school for periods of extended leave.

## This Week's Highlights

Tuesday	Reception 'Stay & Read'
Tuesday	St Chad's working with Y4
Tuesday	CWL Bingo
Wednesday	Y1 'Stay & Read'
Friday	Year 2 'Stay & Read'
Friday	King Edwards 'outreach' programme
Friday	Royal Wedding Celebrations

### Football

Good luck to our Year 6 boys who will be playing at a football tournament at Birmingham City Football Club on Monday.

### Ramadan

Children are not obliged or expected to fast during Ramadan though some children may wish to do a partial fast, however this should be in consultation with and under the supervision of their parents – weekends are a good time to share this experience with your child.

### Mass times

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

God Bless

Mr Foley

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018

## READING

It was great to see so many parents in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 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

We have had children come in this week in summer uniform. The picture below shows the correct summer uniform for both boys and girls. We will also be emailing a copy of the uniform policy.

Please make sure your child is wearing the correct summer uniform.



## Lunchtime

- Please ensure that **Dinner Money** is paid in advance on **Mondays**.
- Children that have sandwiches must bring their lunchbox into school with them in the **morning**.
- As the weather improves, children should apply sun cream before they come to school and bring in a sun hat.

Day	Date	Time	Future Events
Fri	25 <sup>th</sup> May		Break up for Half Term
Mon	4 <sup>th</sup> June	8.45	School Re-opens
Sun	10 <sup>th</sup> June	10.30	First Holy Communion
Sun	1 <sup>st</sup> July	10.30	Confirmation Mass
Fri	20 <sup>th</sup> July	1.00	School closes for Summer holidays
Mon	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sep		Non Pupil Day
Tue	4 <sup>th</sup> Sep		Non Pupil Day
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup> Sep	8.45	Children return to school (gate opens at 8.35 am)

## Governor Message

Mrs Jones & Mrs Meehan came into school to hear readers this week as usual.

Fr Philip has been talking to the staff and children about marriage in preparation for the Royal Wedding tomorrow.

Thank you Governors.

## Mission Statement

### Holy Family Mission Statement

As God's family we work together as brothers and sisters in a safe, happy and compassionate environment. We take pride in everything we do ensuring that our children are motivated to achieve and be the very best they can be.

Built on the foundation of Christ and through teaching of Gospel values, we develop the whole child in a setting which has an understanding and appreciation of all faiths.

Inspired by Pope Francis we endeavour to 'light a fire in the hearts' of our children, empowering them to make a real difference in our diverse, ever changing society.