



Holy Family School

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HOME SUPPORT

A large number of families have received a letter about supporting their children at home. Please return the slips. I am very happy to meet with any parents who find it difficult to help with reading etc.

Thank you to those families who do support their children every day – it makes a huge difference.



A National Breakfast Week we will take place from **Monday 26th to Friday 30th January**. This is to encourage all children to eat a healthy breakfast before they come to school. Our Breakfast Club will be enjoying different food each day and taking part in competitions.

If you would like your child to be a part of our Breakfast Club that week then please speak to Miss Keating

SORRY

Unfortunately I will only be in school two days next week, Monday & Tuesday. Myself and Mr Foley are having two days training (Wednesday/Thursday) to help make our school even better and then on Friday I am at a Headteacher's Meeting.

If you have any immediate concerns next Wed or Thurs please see Mrs Gibbons in the school office. Mr Foley will be available on Friday.

Year 6 were visited by the Head and Executive Head of Perry Beeches this week. This will be a new school opening up in September on the industrial estate near to our school. I was under the impression it would be a secondary school. I have since learned that it will eventually be an all through school ages 4 – 19. Mr Nolan did not make this clear.

Local headteachers have not been consulted about this and as a result I'm angry.



Thank you to Danyal & Shamas (Y2) and Ramsha (Y1) for super efforts with skipping this morning.

Y4 KINGSWOOD TRIP

There will be a meeting for all parents & children in Year 4 on **Tuesday 27th January @ 3.10pm in the school hall.**

This will provide information about the trip and hopefully persuade you all to go ☺

ADULT EDUCATION

Continues every Monday – Thursday at 1pm
DT Room

We will make every effort to keep the school open this winter. However if it is too bad then we will send a text and you can also find out about school closures on local radio station WM, check our school web site or follow us on twitter.

Parent Support Group Minutes on the back of this newsletter



Dates for your diary ...

Parents Evening – Wed/Thurs 11th & 12th February

INSET DAYS:

School will be **closed** to pupils on:-

- **Mon 23rd Feb 2015 training day**
- **Thursday 7th May 2015 polling day**
- **Friday 8th May 2015 training day**
- **Monday 20th July 2015 training day**

Mass times at Holy Family Catholic Church:

Saturday 5.15pm
Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

We aim for **100%** Attendance and Punctuality for EVERY child

Class of the Week **Year 6** with **100.00%** ☺☺☺
Whole School Target 97%

Whole School Attendance **97.90 %** ☺☺

Best wishes from Miss Johnson



PARENT GROUP MEETING 12.1.15

Code of Conduct

1. Celebrations

2. Challenges

3. Safeguarding

- Miss Johnson is pleased that the majority of parents have stopped entering the building via the red door off the playground.
- NURSERY parent mentioned that it is much better now that she can pick up her child at 3pm and there is no more poor behaviour from older siblings.

4. Parent Evening

- Miss Johnson explained how she wanted to keep parents evening in the school hall as staff and parents seemed to prefer it.
- Parents agreed that this was much better as it gave them chance to chat to other parents and teachers. There was a long wait at times but parents understood that sometimes it can be difficult for parents to keep to 10 minutes. Parents must try to keep to 10 minutes though 😊
- The only concern was open evening as it would be better to delay the start until 3.10pm so that all siblings could be collected before visiting classrooms. This would be a good idea for next time.

5. School Web Site

- Miss Johnson shared a new 'gadget' on our school web site. It will translate the pages into over 80 different languages.
- This can be found on the main page, at the top there is a white box which you click and select the language you want.
- Parents were pleased with this and told Miss Johnson to tell parents about it.
- Unfortunately it can't translate the newsletter as it is an attached Word document.

AOB

- After school clubs for KS1 was mentioned. Miss Johnson hasn't yet done anything about this.
- Parents were pleased that homework club had started as they had requested this.
- Could the school consider regular coffee mornings for parents to gather together once the children had gone into school? This happened at a parent's previous school and it was a lovely sociable time. Miss Johnson would consider this.
- Is Kingswood still going ahead? Miss Johnson said yes it definitely is and we are pleased to announce that we had a grant to cover the cost. It is a shame that not all children are going as Miss Johnson explained what a good opportunity it is for children to experience some independence away from their parents.
- Would there be any more information about Kingswood? Parents are keen to get organised if they need to buy anything 😊 Miss Johnson would enquire about this with Miss Carroll. Meeting scheduled for Thursday 19th March at 3.10 pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 10th February @ 2.30pm