

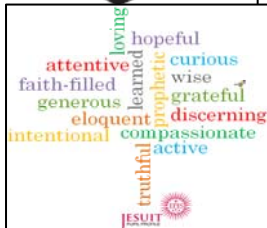
Holy Family Catholic School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.



Holy Family School

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Year of Mercy

Virtues & Values

This half term we will be concentrating on the virtues of 'Eloquent' and 'Truthful'.

Today Fr Philip celebrated Mass in school led by Year 3, the children read wonderfully, sang & signed beautifully and were very respectful. Thank you to our parents and parishioners who attended and joined us for refreshments afterwards.

Welcome back

It has been great to see the children back refreshed this week ready for a busy summer term. As always, we have lots going on and lots of exciting opportunities for the children. Keep an eye on upcoming newsletters for important dates.

Highlights This Week!

- Our playground development is completed and back in use
- Our Nursery outdoor development is also complete and in use
- Sign Language Assembly
- Attendance Assembly
- Cricket competition
- In school Mass led by Year 3

Day	Date	Event
Tuesday	19 th April	2.30 Y 4 Kingswood residential – parents meeting
Wednesday	20 th April	Nursery and Reception - Healthy Workshops
Friday	22 nd April	Wear something 'Red' for St Georges Day – £1.00
Tuesday	26 th April	Y3 visit to 'Back to Back Houses'
Thursday	28 th April	Parents invited to share a school meal with your child
Monday	2 nd May	School closed May Day
Tuesday	3 rd May	School photographer in school – family photos from 8.30 followed by individual photos
Wednesday	4 th May	Mass in Church led by Year 2
Wednesday	4 th May	Y5 visit to Think Tank
Thursday	5th May	School Closed Polling - Crime Commissioner
Mon - Thur	9 th May	Y6 SAT's Week
Monday	6th Jun	School Closed Non Pupil Day (changed from Friday 27th May)
Thursday	23rd Jun	School Closed Polling - E.U. Referendum
Wednesday	21st Dec 1.00	School closes for Christmas Holiday – ADVANCE NOTICE
Monday	9th Jan	School re-opens – ADVANCE NOTICE

Health & Safety Road Safety

Please ensure you park carefully when you are bringing your children to school and see them safely inside the school gate.

DINNER MONEY PRICE INCREASE

Reminder school meals are now £2.15 per day -
£10.75 for the week

Nursery meals £1.85 per day £7.40 week

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British Citizenship Course - Life in the UK

Are any of our parents interested in taking the British Citizenship course? A tutor will work through the Life in the UK book alongside you to help you prepare for the test at an external centre.

Parents English Classes

Do you need help with speaking English?
Do you need support when making doctor's appointments etc?
Do you want to be able to support your child with their school work?
Come and join our small welcoming class!

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 24.3.16 Year 6 with 98.75% ☺

Whole School Target 97%

Whole School Attendance 94.71% ☹

'Phonics' Parents Surgery

Mrs Hollywood is holding a **Phonics** workshop every **WEDNESDAY from 2.00 - 3.00**
Parents will learn more about phonics and we will answer your questions and address any concerns.

Do come along and join us.

Holy Family is a Reading School!

It is vital that you are reading with your children every night, we are here to provide any help or support that you need.

Our school library is open every Monday after school - come and choose a book with your child.

Headlice

Please check your child's hair over the weekend with a fine toothed comb.

Breakfast Club

Reminder - breakfast club starts at **8.05 am** in the morning - **please wait with your child if you arrive before 8.05 thank you.**

Sainsbury's Vouchers

We are now collecting Sainsbury's vouchers so that we can get vital playground equipment.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Day	Physical Activity	Staff	Other Activity	Staff
Monday	TKD	Julie-Ann	Y6 Homework Club	Miss Walker
Tuesday	Dance	Jade	Gardening Club	Miss Weston
Wednesday	Cricket	Callum		
Thursday	Multi Skills	Colm & Callum	Choir Homework Club Library	Mrs O'Driscoll & Miss Pollard HFS Staff Mrs Guest
Friday	Football	Callum	Sign Language	Mrs Maloney

PARENT VOICE

Please join the parent group for a coffee on **Wednesdays** at 8.40am. Your opinions are then discussed and if we can change things for the better we will.

Mass times at Holy Family Catholic Church:

Saturday 4.00 pm
Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

*God Bless,
Mr Foley 18th April 2016*