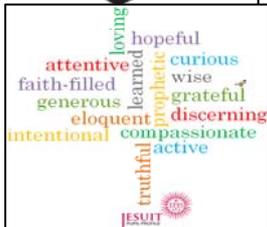




Holy Family School

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Year of Mercy

Virtues & Values

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

Today Mrs King spoke to the children about William Shakespeare as it is the 400th anniversary of his death. Some of our Year 6 girls performed some of the work that they have been doing on Macbeth (check out the pictures on Twitter). Together we spoke about how Shakespeare displayed this half term's virtues of 'Eloquent' and 'Truthful'.

Kingswood

Our Year 4 children (and staff) had a wonderful outdoor experience on their residential visit. There are 'tweets' with photos on our website, with more photos being added soon.

Health & Safety Road Safety

Mr Ahmed has a very difficult job of making sure that people park responsibly around our school. I have been saddened to hear that some of our parents/relatives on occasions have been rude to Mr Ahmed and even threatening. Parents should not be parking illegally on the roads around our school as it places our/your children in danger. Any parent being disrespectful will be invited into school to discuss this further with me.

Highlights This Week!

- Y4 Kingswood Residential
- Y3 Back to Backs visit
- Parent's meal day – 29 parents attended, thank you and thanks too to our kitchen staff!
- 100% Attendance reward afternoon
- Saturday School

Thursday After School Clubs

There are 3 different clubs that take place after school on Thursdays - to ease congestion children need to be collected from the playground at **3.50 pm - 10 minutes earlier.**

Day	Date	Event
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	5 th May	School Closed Polling Crime Commissioner
Mon - Thur	9 th May	Y6 SAT's Week
Monday	6 th Jun	School Closed Non Pupil Day (changed from Friday 27 th May)
Thursday	23 rd Jun	School Closed Polling E.U. Referendum
Monday	18 July	Weston-Super-Mare 'seaside' experience Reception to Year 6 (Nursery Closed)
Wednesday	21 st Dec 1.00	School closes for Christmas Holiday – ADVANCE NOTICE
Monday	9 th Jan	School re-opens – ADVANCE NOTICE

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 22.4.16

Year 3 with 100.00% 😊😊😊

Whole School Target 97%

Whole School Attendance 97.99% 😊😊

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

Class Fund

Envelopes have been sent home to those families that have not yet paid this year's class fund - please return them on Tuesday - thank you.

Weston-Super-Mare

Reminder - £5 deposit needs to be paid by next Tuesday 3rd May.

Full payment by end of June - thank you

Saturday School

Our Saturday School is going well - the children do need to be here at **9.00 am** to get the most out of their lessons. Thank you

Sainsbury's Vouchers

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

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.**

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.

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.

Do come and choose a book with your child.

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!

'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.

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.

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 Collect @ 3.50 from playground	Multi Skills	Colm & Callum	Choir Homework Club Library	Mrs O'Driscoll & Miss Pollard HFS Staff Mrs Guest
Friday	Football	Callum	Sign Language	Mrs Maloney

Mass times

Holy Family Catholic Church

Saturday 4.00 pm

Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

*Enjoy the Bank Holiday Weekend - God Bless,
Mr Foley 29th April 2016*