



Holy Family School

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Vocations

We have continued to welcome visitors this week to talk to the children about their vocations.

We were particularly pleased to see Mrs Mulroy a previous Headteacher, who told the children about her life and how she came into teaching. (She is now the proud grandmother of three grandchildren!).

We also had four seminarians who are studying to be priests at Oscott College, a Nurse (with her baby), Paramedics and Andy a Carpenter.

The children have learnt so much and have been inspired by their individual life stories. We are very fortunate that so many people from all walks of life, gave up their time to come and share their experiences with our children.

God has a plan for all of us and we are all called to a vocation whether it is in our work life or being a parent.

Confirmation

Our Year 6 will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation next **Sunday 3rd July at 10.30 Mass**, please keep them in your prayers.

Transition Day

Year 6 will be attending their new secondary schools next week which they will be both excited and also apprehensive about.

On Thursday all our children will be joining their new teachers for the afternoon as part of their preparation for transition into their classes in September.

Highlights This Week!

- Vocational visitors all week
- Y5 Islam Presentation @ St Gerard's
- Y5 King Edwards familiarisation session
- New Nursery meetings
- KES Summer Challenge
- Y1 Class Saint St John the Baptist

IMPORTANT MEETING FOR PARENTS

Children's End of Year School Report.

Friday 1st July 2.30 pm

Please put this date in your diary/calendar to find out about your child's school report which will be different this year. School Reports will be sent home on Friday 8th July and on Friday 15th July our leadership team will be available if you need to talk through your child's report (a translator will also be available).

Faith Communities

Thank you to Rameesah, Humeria, Hafsa A and Ramisa from Year 5 who visited St Gerard's Catholic School on Monday to talk to their children about their Islamic faith - they spoke so passionately and confidently, we are extremely proud of them.

St Chad's Flower Festival

Congratulations to the Sisters of Mercy and their friends whose flower display for the venerable Catherine McAulev (their foundress) won 1st prize.

Film-Night Wednesday

Next week's film is 'Alvin and the Chipmunk' - All welcome - £.3

Weston-Super-Mare

Full payment for our trip to Weston is due by the end of next week.

If you paid a deposit, the remaining £10 is now due, please send money in before the end of next week. Thank you.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Have you ordered your new **V-neck** sweatshirt or cardigan for September? **Order NOW** so that your order is received in time for the start of term.

Remember all children will be wearing **school shirts and our school tie** in September.

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

Day	Date	Event
Monday	18 July	Weston-Super-Mare 'seaside' experience Reception to Year 6 (Nursery Closed)
Friday	22 July 1.00	School closes for the summer holidays
Monday	5 Sep	NON PUPIL Day – School Closed
Tuesday	6 Sep	School re-opens 8.35 am for 8.45 am start
Wed	21 st Dec 1.00	School closes for Christmas Holiday ADVANCE NOTICE
Monday	9 th Jan 2017	School Re-opens ADVANCE NOTICE

Regular Reminders		
Holy Family is a Reading School - ensure you hear your child read every evening	Daily	20 minutes
Breakfast Club	Daily	8.05 - 8.35
Money Day	Mondays	
Life in the UK Course	Tuesdays	9.00 - 11.00
Parent Voice Meeting	Wednesdays	8.40 All welcome
Parents Phonic Surgery	Wednesdays	2.00 - 3.00 All welcome
School Uniform sales	Wednesdays	2.30 - 3.00
Saturday Sports Club	Saturdays with Colm	9.30 - 11.30
Headlice - check your child's hair with a fine toothed comb	Weekly at the weekend	
We are collecting Sainbury's Vouchers	During promotion	

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 10.6.16

Year 3 with 99.63% 😊😊

Whole School Target 97%

Whole School Attendance 96.47% 😞

Nursery

FREE 2, 3 & 4 Year Old Places

Please make sure you have put your child's name on our waiting list and ask your friends and neighbours too so that we can contact families when their child is eligible to start.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Please note that all after school clubs need to be **paid for in advance**.

Please ensure you put the correct money in an envelope and put it in our money box in the entrance foyer.

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	Film Night	
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

God Bless, Mr Foley
24th June 2016