



Holy Family School

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This week

It's been a bit of a strange week with the bank holiday and local elections closing the school for two days and not ideal preparation for the Year 6 SATs next week. Our Year 6 class have given their very best efforts in preparing for next week and we are extremely proud of them all. It's their chance to show off everything they have learnt at Holy Family and we certainly don't want any children worrying about tests. We do ask our Year 6 parents to make sure that the children have a good rest this weekend and get to bed nice and early next week. Thank you!

Cricket

Well done to our cricketers this week who represented our school fantastically well. Our Year 3 and 4 team came second in their competition on Tuesday morning while our year 5 team won their competition on Tuesday afternoon! They all demonstrated wonderful manners and sportsmanship, we now look forward to the Year 5 finals day on the 15th of June.

School Meals Price Increase

We have been advised that the cost of a school meal has gone up on 1st April by 10p per day, to £2.25 so the cost for a week will be £11.25.

School Uniform

Our children wear our uniform with pride, please help them by ensuring your child always comes to school in the correct uniform.

Now that we are in the Summer Term - the children will be wearing our summer uniform - girls can wear yellow summer dresses or yellow polo shirts and boys yellow polo shirts.

Take a look at our website for full details of our Uniform Policy under the School Information Section.

This Week's Highlights

Tuesday	Year 3,4 and 5 Cricket competition
Wednesday	Stay and Play
Wednesday	Family Learning Year 1 parents
Friday	Spanish and PE day

SPORT

Year 3 have made a great start to their swimming lessons. We are very fortunate to be able to take our children to such a wonderful provision at St. Martin's in Solihull but this is not enough. It is important that children are swimming outside of school to make sure they are fully confident in the water.

We are also collecting Sainsbury's "Active Kids" Vouchers which we will put towards sports & cooking equipment.

Family Support Worker

Karen our family support worker is here to help you. If you would like to speak to her, please make an appointment at the school office. She can help you with a wide variety of issues or concerns such as housing, finances & debt, child development or anything that is worrying you.

Day	Date	Future Events
Sunday	14 th May	First Holy Communion
Friday	26 th May	School closes for half-term
Monday	5 th June	School re-opens
Tuesday	6 th June	Yr 6 Sikh Temple visit
Wednesday	7 th June	Yr 3 Hindu Temple visit
Thursday	8 th June	General Election – School Closed
Wednesday	5 th July	Secondary Induction Day
Friday	7 th July	KS 1/ KS2 Sports Day at Holy Trinity
Monday	24 th Jul	Non Pupil Day
Tuesday	25 th Jul	Non Pupil Day

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

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 28.04.2017

Year 2 with 98.7% 😊😊

Whole School Target 97%

Whole School Attendance 94.3%

'Stay & Play'

New Time

For mums or dads and little ones

Wednesdays

8.45 - 10.15

**Come and see us in Nursery,
after your children have gone into class!!**

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.

Hair

We have had some cases of head lice in school, please carefully check your child's hair weekly. Can you also make sure that children with very long hair have it tied up. Thank you.

New Caretaker

I'm delighted to let you know that Mr Kennedy will be starting on Monday with us as our new school caretaker. I know you'll make him feel very welcome. Thank you to Mr Manning who has been covering the role for the last 4 weeks.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Day	Physical Activity	Staff	Other Activity	Staff
Monday	TKD Free	Julie-Ann Years 1 & 2	Library Free	Miss Walker Y6
Tuesday	Dance £2.00 Baking £1.00	Jade KS2 Miss Flynn Years 5&6 only		Mrs Guest All welcome
Wednesday	Cricket £2.00	Callum KS2		
Thursday Collect @ 3.50 from playground	Football £2.00	Callum KS2	Choir Free Homework Club Free	Mrs O'Driscoll KS2 HFS Staff Y3/Y4/Y5
Friday	Multi Skills No charge	Colm & Callum Children invited	Sign Language £2.00	Mrs Maloney KS2

'Be Active'

Now that the better weather is with us - make time to take the children outside for some time each day to get some exercise.

Birthday Treats

If you are bringing in treats for you child's class to celebrate a birthday please check all ingredients to make sure there are no nuts or traces of nuts. **We are unable to give out homemade treats and if we are unsure we will not give them to the class.**

Reminder - Parent Worries or Concerns

My door is always open if ever you have worries or concerns. I need to know what the problem is before I can help - so please do come and speak to me.

Mass times

Holy Family Catholic Church

Saturday 4.00 pm

Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

God Bless

Mr Foley

Friday 5th May 2017