



Holy Family School

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This Week

Our week started with a very special assembly on the feast of Corpus Christi. This is when we remember the sacrifice that our Lord made - giving his body and blood for us. This is especially important for us at this time as we prepare for Holy Communion on Sunday. We ask our School Community and Parish to pray for Paddy and Nikola as they receive the body of Christ and take the next step on their sacramental journey. As always it was fantastic to see the children back on Monday after the half term break full of enthusiasm for the new half term. We have lots planned for this half term including lots of trips - keep an eye out for important dates and letters coming your way.

Attendance

It is vitally important that your child is in school and on time everyday. As a school we constantly aim for 100% attendance to make sure your child is getting the very most out of school.

This year we are planning a very special trip in the summer term to Harry Potter World to reward those children with 99% and above attendance for the whole school year.

We visit families if children are not in school as absences are a concern.

Class of the Week w/e 25.5.2018

Year 1 98.3% 😊

Whole School Attendance

95.5%

Punctuality

A reminder that registers are taken at **8:45 sharp**. Children arriving after this time are **late**. We have a new sign in system in school - **any late children will need to be signed in by parents**. This will be closely monitored, parents of children who are repeatedly late will be invited into school to discuss further.

Extended Leave

Over the last few weeks I have received requests from parents for extended leave for children. **Under no circumstances will I authorise periods of extended leave.** We are actively working with the local authority to fine parents who are removing children from school for periods of extended leave.

This Week's Highlights

Monday	St Chad's working with Y4
Tuesday	Reception 'Stay & Read'
Tuesday	St Chad's working with Y4
Tuesday	Y5 Art Gallery visit
Wednesday	Y1 'Stay & Read'
Wednesday	Y6 Red Cross workshop
Wednesday	Y5 King Edwards
Thursday	Celebration Assembly
Thursday	Y4 Jewish Synagogue visit
Friday	Year 2 'Stay & Read'

GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)

As you may be aware new data protection legislation came into effect on 25th May 2018.

Please click on this link to watch a short 5 minute awareness video which explains the changes.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ua_LzUJ_wu8&t=1s

We are still waiting for quite a few Consent Forms to be returned - please send them in on Monday or ask at the office for a new form.

Thank you.

Mass times

Holy Family Catholic Church

Saturday 4.00 pm

Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

God Bless

Mr Foley

Friday 8th June 2018

READING

It was great to see so many parents in **Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** this week for 'Stay and Read'.
We remind you that your child should be reading for at least 20 minutes every night.
 Thank you for your support.

Uniform

We have had children come in this week in summer uniform. The picture below shows the correct summer uniform for both boys and girls. We will also be emailing a copy of the uniform policy.

Please make sure your child is wearing the correct summer uniform.



Eid

Please inform the office if your child will be absent one day next week to celebrate Eid.

Day	Date	Time	Future Events
Sun	10 th June	10.30	First Holy Communion
Sun	1 st July	10.30	Confirmation Mass
Tue	17 th July	9.00	Sports Day
Thur	19 th July	10.30	Leavers Mass
Fri	20 th July	9.00	Leavers Assembly
Fri	20 th July	1.00	School closes for Summer holidays
Mon	3 rd Sep		Non Pupil Day
Tue	4 th Sep		Non Pupil Day
Wed	5 th Sep	8.45	Children return to school (gate opens at 8.35 am)

Lunchtime

- Please ensure that **Dinner Money** is paid **in advance on Mondays**.
- Children that have sandwiches must bring their lunchbox into school with them in the **morning**.
- As the weather improves, children should apply sun cream before they come to school and bring in a sun hat.

Governor Message

Mrs Jones came into school this week to meet with our external school improvement partner to review and monitor the childrens' progress.
 Mrs Meehan came in to hear her readers as usual too.

Mission Statement

Holy Family Mission Statement

As God's family we work together as brothers and sisters in a safe, happy and compassionate environment. We take pride in everything we do ensuring that our children are motivated to achieve and be the very best they can be.
 Built on the foundation of Christ and through teaching of Gospel values, we develop the whole child in a setting which has an understanding and appreciation of all faiths.

Inspired by Pope Francis we endeavour to 'light a fire in the hearts' of our children, empowering them to make a real difference in our diverse, ever changing society.