



Holy Family School

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Goodbyes

Today is a sad day for our family as we say goodbye to two of our members as they retire. Mrs Gibbons has dedicated the last 26 years of her life to the children of Holy Family, always going above and beyond to make sure the children had the very best. We are really going to miss Mrs Gibbons and wish her every happiness in her retirement. We are also saying goodbye to Miss Weston today after 18 years of dedicated teaching to the children of Holy Family. Miss Weston has been an inspiration to hundreds of children over the years, again we'll miss her and wish her a happy retirement. I'd like to thank you for your continued support over the half term and wish you a restful and happy half term, we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Monday 25th February**.

Arts Week

The children have really enjoyed their Arts week and have produced some amazing work. We had a fantastic visit on Wednesday afternoon from the Music Service who provided us with a brilliant brass concert. Year 4 experienced an incredible trip on Thursday to Autodesk where they designed and printed their own 3D keyrings using Computer Aided Design. We are really looking forward to seeing what each class has done in our sharing assembly on Friday afternoon.

INSPIRES

We have our Computing INSPIRES after half term (see dates below). It is really important that you attend these workshops to work with your child. As a school we spend a lot of money on online subscriptions such as Bug Club, Times Table Rockstars, SPAG.com and Purple Mash to help with your child's learning. We want to make sure that we make the most of these fantastic resources, both in school and at home. Our digital leaders will also be talking to parents about the importance of online safety and will be giving some tips to make sure your child is always safe online.

Parents' Evening

Parents' evening this term will take place on **Thursday 21st March**. Parents are encouraged to make appointments online following the link www.schoolinterviews.co.uk then entering the code **hum8z**. Parents are also invited to come into school to look at the brilliant work your children have done in their books after school on **Wednesday 20th March**.

After School Clubs

The online sign up is now open for after school clubs for next half term. We know that some clubs are very popular and children have missed out. We do our best to accommodate all children where possible. Most of the clubs are provided by teachers/teaching assistants who generously give their own time to provide these opportunities for the children.

God Bless

Mr Foley

Friday 15th February 2019

Diary Dates			
Fri	15 th Feb		Break up for Half Term
Mon	25 th Feb		Return to School
Mon	25 th Feb	Year 4	Proms Trip
Tues	26 th Feb	Year 6	Computing Inspire
Wed	27 th Feb	Year 2	Computing Inspire
Thurs	28 th Feb	Year 3	Trip to Coventry
Tues	5 th Mar	Year 5MCh	Computing Inspire
Wed	6 th Mar		Ash Wednesday Mass
Thurs	7 th Mar	Year 5McD	Computing Inspire
Tues	19 th Mar	Year 4	Computing Inspire
Wed	20 th Mar	Year 1	Computing Inspire
Thurs	21 st Mar	Year 3	Computing Inspire
Thurs	21 st Mar		Parent's Evening

Vocations

As part of our vocations programme in school we are always looking for volunteers to come and share their vocation with the children. We are particularly interested in celebrating the achievements of our past pupils. If you can help with this then please contact Mrs King to arrange a visit.

Star Assembly

It was great to see so many children achieve their bronze stars again this week and great to see so many parents there to support. Please keep working with us to make sure your child is always in school, in the correct uniform and doing their best. We will soon be having some silver star awards coming through!

Reading

Reading is at the heart of everything we do at Holy Family and we are always looking for ways to make it even better within school. Mrs Aldred has some exciting things planned next term starting with our 'story in a box' homework over half term. We are looking forward to see some fantastic examples to help decorate our library. We will also be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 7th March** and having a visit by the author Mark Lowery on **Monday 11th March**. It is so important that you support your child with their reading - please speak to us if you need any additional support with this. Also, if you have any good quality books that you are finished with at home please feel free to donate them to school. Thank you!

