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Weekly Newsletter
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Following in Jesus' footsteps...

We pray together
We play together
We learn together



Come and See



The theme is Reconciliation. Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven. Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.

Our School Prayer

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at home,
 Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at school,
 Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless all the families of the world.



It's Time to Shine



| Year Group | Star of the Week | Golden Table |
|---|--|--|
| Reception | Tobi Harrison | Frankie Matthew Isobella Lily |
| Year 1 | Gracie | Oscar Emma Olivia Freya |
| Year 2 | Ciara | Martha Lucas Evan Annabella |
| Year 3 | Ben | Martha Olivia Harry Alexander |
| Year 4 | Jessica Lucas | George Eva Lucas Thomas |
| Year 5 | Ava | Maisie Charlie Ava Liam |
| Year 6 | Ewan Grace | Isabella Aimee Poppy Eleanor |
| Mathematician of the Week Chloe - Y1, Jacob - Y2, Kian - Y3, George - Y4, Jonathan - Y5 | Reader of the Week Lucas Mc- Y1, Callum - Y2, Olivia - Y3, Eva - Y4, Joe - Y5, | Writer of the Week Lucas M - Y1, Casey - Y2, Neve - Y3, Olivia - Y4, Mya - Y5. All children in Y6 were awarded writers of the week. |
| Congratulations to all the children named. | | |

Attendance for week ending 17th June 2016

| Year | Attendance | Weeks Won |
|------|-------------------|-----------|
| R | 97.4% | |
| 1 | 93.9% | |
| 2** | 98.7% - Well done | 1 |
| 3 | 94.5% | |
| 4 | 96.7% | |
| 5 | 98.4% | |
| 6 | 92.9% | |

Whole School - 96.1%

This is only 1% above the national average which for our school equates to a low attendance figure.

What's happened this week?

Y1 Father's Day Party

Many thanks to everyone who came to the party this afternoon. We hope that the children looked after you and that you all had an enjoyable afternoon. It was lovely to see so many of you.

New Reception Stay & Play

We welcomed our new starters yesterday. The children seemed to settle into their new surroundings and enjoyed the morning with us with lots of activities taking place.

Children's University

We offer our congratulations to the children who graduated on Wednesday. This was a lovely day and we would like to thank Mrs Quigley who organised the day so well.

What's coming up soon

ParentApp

Many thanks to everyone who has now signed up for the ParentApp on your mobile phones. We will be using this as another means of communicating with you. We will be sending reminders through this format in future. If you have not yet downloaded the app and have mislaid the information on how to do so, you may collect information from the school office.

CAFOD Workshop

On Thursday 30th June the children in Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 will be taking part in workshops relating to the Universal Church as part of our RE topic. The workshops will be run by Justine Silcock an Education Volunteer Coordinator with CAFOD Liverpool. We look forward to meeting her and learning about the work carried out.

Y6 Vikings Day

Unfortunately due to the very busy time of year and activities taking place for the Y6 children, this activity has now been cancelled.

Y4 Trip

The children in Y4 will be visiting Liverpool World Museum and the Metropolitan Cathedral on Friday 1st July. A letter giving full details has now been sent home.

Parent Meetings

We will be holding parents meetings on Wednesday 13th July from 1.30pm. A letter giving further information will be sent home soon.

DEAR

Every Friday from now on every classroom door will be open from 8.45am - 9.15am for our big DEAR (drop everything and read). Children are welcome to come into school to read their own books or a class book. Parents and grandparents are also welcome to come into class to share the book. We look forward to seeing you all ☺.

Swap Shop

We will be holding a swap stall at Family Fun Night for children and adults. Please start to have a sort out at home and send any unwanted books into school.

Royal British Legion Parade

Five children from Year 3 have been chosen to take part in the Parade on 3rd July at 10.30am at the cenotaph, Victoria Park, Widnes to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Jutland and the Battle of the Somme. Selected children have been given a letter with further details today.

School Nurse

The school nurse will be coming into school for the next drop-in session on Tuesday 5th July at 10am. If anyone would like to meet with her please let the school office know in case of any changes to the arrangement. Many thanks.

Euro's Meal Promotion

As a special promotion the school kitchen are offering a meal for £1.00 on Thursday 7th July. A separate letter has been sent home. In order for the kitchen to order the correct quantities we would be grateful if replies could be returned by Monday 27th June.

Y4 Rejoice & Together Day

Parents and carers of children in Y4 are invited into school on Thursday 14th July from 1.30pm to Play, Pray and Learn together. We do hope that you will be able to come along and join the children.

Sports Day

We will be holding our Sports Day on Friday 8th July, weather permitting. Children in the Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 will participate from 9.30am - 10.30am and the other classes will begin from 10.45am approx until 12pm. Please note that if this event is cancelled due to bad weather it will not be rearranged. Let's hope that the sun will be shining as the children love this day. We will send messages to you all via twitter and parentapp if the event is to be cancelled but this will only be on the morning of the event.

Feast of Sts Peter & Paul

Children in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 will be attending Mass at 9.15am on Wednesday 29th June. All are welcome to attend.

NUT Teachers Strike

Many of you may be aware of the proposed strike action to be taken by teachers on Tuesday 5th July. If this action is to go ahead unfortunately Holy Family School will be closed. It will not be able to remain open due to staffing.

Y6 Trip

Our leavers trip is to Gullivers World in Warrington and will take place on Friday 15th July. The children will return to school at approx 5pm. A letter giving full details will be sent home after half term.

Y6 Play

As our Y6 class prepare to leave Holy Family they will be performing their leaving play on Tuesday 19th July at 4pm. All are welcome.

Reception Rejoice & Together Day

Children in the Reception Class will be holding their class Rejoice and Together Day on Friday 15th July from 1.45pm. We do hope that you will be able to join the class as they Pray, Play and Learn together.

Y6 Leavers' Mass

The Y6 Leavers Mass will be held on Wednesday 20th July at 10am in Holy Family Church. We do hope that you will be able to come along and join us back in school after Mass for a cuppa! We look forward to seeing you all.

Poetry Festival

Mr Paul Delaney, a Widnes Poet has been working with our Y3 & Y6 classes. Six of our children have been selected to represent our school at the poetry festival on Friday 1st July at Our Lady's School. Our congratulations go to :-

Year 3 - Martha, Erin and Jack

Year 6 - Connor, Daisy and Eleanor

Well done, we are very proud of you😊.

Important Notice

We would like to ask all parents/carers to ensure whoever is collecting their child to come to the appropriate classroom door. Children will not be allowed to leave school until staff are certain who is collecting them. We hope for your co-operation with this because the safety of all our children is paramount.

PTFA News

Our Annual Family Fun Night will be taking place on Friday 8th July. The children always love this main event of our summer term which is usually a very big fundraiser for our school. We would appreciate adult helpers to look after the stalls on the night and a separate letter will be sent home next week.

We will be continuing with our weekly collections next Friday 24th June when children are invited to wear their own clothes for donations of non alcoholic drinks.

Many thanks for all the donations received to date.

Spotlight on Y2

This week we have been going around school taking pictures and talking to teachers and sometimes children. We have been asking them "What is your favourite book and what is your favourite character?".

Then we asked "What is the best bit?"

I think it may go on display or maybe we will go into assembly and tell everyone what we have been doing. I think Mrs Quigley's books look best because they are about her little boy Jude.

I think Miss Cook's is best as it is quite funny. She did selfies with me and her book is called 'The day the crayons quit'.

I think Mrs Edge will make a slideshow of the pictures and show it when we do our assembly.

We haven't been to Y6, Y5 or Y3 yet but we will be going to see them this afternoon. We will also be going to see Mrs Campbell as she has got hers today.

Many thanks to Ava & Evan

After School Clubs

| <i>Day</i> | <i>Activity/Club</i> | <i>Year</i> | <i>Time</i> |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Monday</i> | <i>Rugby</i> | <i>Year 3 & 4</i> | <i>3.20-4.15</i> |
| <i>Tuesday</i> | <i>Ipad Club</i> | <i>Year 1 & 2</i> | <i>3.15-4.00</i> |
| | <i>Gardening Club</i> | <i>Year 3, 4, 5 & 6</i> | <i>3.20- 4.00</i> |
| | <i>Netball</i> | <i>Year 5 & 6</i> | <i>3.20-4.00</i> |
| <i>Wednesday</i> | <i>Multi-sports</i> | <i>Year 1 & 2</i> | <i>3.15-4.15</i> |
| | <i>Choir</i> | <i>Year 3, 4, 5 & 6</i> | <i>3.15-4.00</i> |
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Please note that this is the last week for all after school clubs.

Diary Dates

June

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| Wednesday 29 th | KS2 children to Mass at 9.15am |
| Thursday 30 th | CAFOD Workshop for children in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 |

July

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| Friday 1 st | Y4 Trip to Liverpool |
| Friday 1 st | Poetry Festival at Our Lady's School |
| Sunday 3 rd | Y3 children to represent Holy Family at Cenotaph @ 10.30am |
| Tuesday 5 th | School nurse drop-in from 10am |
| Tuesday 5 th | Possible NUT Strike - school closed if it goes ahead |
| Friday 8 th | Sports Day - am |
| Friday 8 th | Family Fun Night |
| Wednesday 13 th | Parent meetings |
| Thursday 14 th | Y4 Rejoice & Together day |
| Friday 15 th | Y6 trip to Gullivers World return to school @ 5pm |
| Friday 15 th | Reception Class Stay and Play at 1.45pm |
| Tuesday 19 th | Y6 Play at 4pm |
| Wednesday 20 th | Y6 Leaver's Mass at 10am in Church |
| Thursday 21 st | Break Up at 2pm |

And finally...

A positive thought for the week to promote discussion in the classroom and at home...

I can **change** if I want to.

Change is easy.

I only need to choose.

JESUS
Loves Me
This I
know...

Many thanks

Mrs Hannah