**Holy Family Catholic Primary School**

**Hall Lane**

**Cronton**

**Nr Widnes**

**WA8 5DW**

**0151 424 3926**

**Headteacher: Mrs J Cook-Hannah**

[**www.holyfamilycronton.**](http://www.holyfamilycronton.ik.org)**co.uk**

[**holyfamilycronton@knowsley.gov.uk**](mailto:holyfamilycronton@knowsley.gov.uk)

Twitter - @HFCronton

**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 7th November 2014**

****

**Following in Jesus’ footsteps…**

**We pray together**

**We play together**

**We learn together**







|  |
| --- |
| http://www.educationcommission.org.uk/SiteImages/107.jpgCome and See |
| This week we started our new RE topic of Belonging.  Talk to someone who has been to a Baptism and/or Confirmation about their memories of this celebration. Baptism is a welcome to God’s family. Children will learn about the signs and symbols in Baptism and the promises made.  This topic will continue until 14th November 2014. |

**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

**Amen**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ClassDojo-avatar5-1z68hxsIt’s Time to ShineClassDojo-avatar5-1z68hxs | | |
| Year Group | Achievement Certificates | Dojos  Certificate |
| Year 1 | Ella  Jacob  Olivia |  |
| Year 2 | Isabella  Tailor | Alexander |
| Year 3 | Jasmine  Joe  Jessica | Olivia |
| Year 4 | Sadie  Jessica  Ava  George | Jessica  Callum |
| Year 5 | Nieve  Nathan  Kate | Ewan |
| Year 6 | Alfie  Natalie  Jacob | Lucy |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **What’s happened this week?** | |
| **School Website**  We are delighted to inform you all that we are now online with our new school website. The new address is holyfamilycronton.co.uk. All information has now been transferred over and we hope that you like the new format.  **Twitter**  As mentioned at the teacher coffee meetings, we are now on twitter - @HFCronton and have 80 followers so far. Please do sign up if you have not already done so for lots of information and latest news. Please note that this is an additional source of information and is not a replacement for emails or the school website.  **Poppies**  The children in the Y2 class have been selling poppies again this week. We will let you know how much was raised when we have been notified by The Royal British Legion Society. Many thanks for all the donations.  **Cronton Clean Up**  The children in the Y6 class worked extremely hard today to ‘clean up Cronton’ and the surrounding area. Many thanks to everyone involved.  **Reception Class Reading Meeting**  Many thanks to everyone who came along to the meeting yesterday. We hope that you found it informative.  **Computing Day**  Mr Ellis, from Knowsley CLC’s came into school today to work with the children in the Y4 class. The children had a lovely day and worked on their own versions of Angry Birds.  **Fr Michael Visit to Y6**  Fr Michael came into school yesterday to speak to the children in Y6. The children were fascinated by the different stories he had to tell. Fr Michael brought a video of his Ordination which he showed to the whole class. It was a lovely morning. | |
| **What’s coming up soon** |
| **Remembrance Service**  The service in the memorial gardens will be held at 10.40am on Sunday 9th November. Mrs Hannah, Ms Edge & Mrs Donohue will lay a wreath on behalf of the school. All are welcome to come along. The children in the Y2 class have been selling the poppies and the children in Y6 also contributed to the trench that has been set up in the Gardens.  **Y2 Together Day**  On Tuesday 11th November parents and carers are invited to come along to Pray, Play and Learn together in the Year 2 class from 2.00pm. All are welcome.  **Y3 Trip to Chester**  On Wednesday 12th November the Y3 class will be going to Chester for the day as part of their topic on The Romans. They will be visiting the Dewa Museum as well as enjoying a walk around the city with a Roman soldier. I’m sure they will have a wonderful day. A separate letter has already been sent home.  **Parent Meetings**  We will be holding parent meetings on Monday 17th November. A separate letter was sent home earlier in the week. Please send replies into school as soon as possible, appointment times will be sent home on Monday 10th November.  **Whole School Pantomime**  The whole school will be going to The Brindley in Runcorn on Thursday 18th December to watch Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs. More details will follow nearer to the time.  **Open Night**  We will be holding an open evening on Thursday 20th November for all prospective parents from 6-8pm. All are welcome to come along meet the staff and view the school.  **Reception Christmas Play**  The children in the Reception class will be performing their Christmas Play on Wednesday 3rd December at 9.30am. All are welcome to join us.  **Children in Need**  Next Friday is Children in Need and children will be invited to have their faces painted with spots for a small donation. The children in the Y5 class have been very busy organising events and lots of posters have been displayed around school.  **KS1 Christmas Play**  The children in the Y1 and Y2 classes will be performing their Christmas Play on Monday 8th December and Tuesday 9th December at 4pm. Tickets are not required and all are welcome.  **KS2 Christmas Play**  The children in Y3, Y4 & Y5 will be performing their Christmas Play on Wednesday 10th December and Thursday 11th December at 4pm. Tickets are not required and all are welcome.  **Y6 Christmas Carol Singing**  As in previous years, the children in the Y6 class will be carol singing to raise funds for CAFOD. This will be taking place on Friday 12th December, Further details will follow nearer to the date.  **Bikeability**  All permissions have now been received from parents. Children are to come dressed in suitable clothing which must cover all arms and legs, they can wear jogging bottoms and school jumpers and coats. All bikes must have 2 working brakes and please ensure that your child brings a helmet. A separate letter giving full details has already been sent home.  **Robinwood**  Many thanks to everyone who has now sent payment into school. We would be grateful if any outstanding payments could be sent into school as soon as possible.  **Reception Stay & Play**  All parents/carers are welcome to join us on Friday 21st November from 1pm for Christmas Stay & Play. Mrs Evans will be holding a reading workshop for the first twenty minutes before joining the children.  **Reception Trip**  The children in the Reception class will be having a festive walk up Pex Hill and stopping off at Cronton Garden Centre to choose the school Christmas Tree on Friday 28th November at 1pm. The children will be visited by Fr Christmas while they are there. A letter giving further details will follow shortly. |

|  |
| --- |
| **Holidays in School Term**  On 1st September 2013, the Education Regulations 2013 came into force changing the rules about term-time holidays. The amendments specify that headteachers **may not** grant any leave of absence during term time unless it is considered under ‘exceptional circumstances’.  The Governing Body have agreed to support this process and have asked that all letters asking for permission and detailing reasons why such a request has been made be brought to a small committee so a decision can be made.  In order to support this process, we would ask that parents/carers give **at least 1 term’s notice** so this request can be put to Governors.  Parents/Carers will receive a letter notifying them of the decision made. |

|  |
| --- |
| **Polite Reminder** |
| **Dogs on the School Playground**  We would be grateful if you could please ensure that all dogs are kept under adult supervision at all times when on the school playground.  **Notification for school collection**  We would be grateful if you could please notify us before lunchtime if another parent/carer will be collecting your child. We are inundated with calls in the afternoon and it is becoming more of an issue getting messages to teachers without interrupting teaching time. Many thanks for your co-operation. |

|  |
| --- |
| **Spotlight on Y5**  This week we have been carrying out research on the IPad’s about the Industrial Revolution. This took place between 1800 and 1900. Lots of factories opened and in 1853 it was found that iron could be changed into steel.  We have also been reading Michael Morpurgo books and writing a synopsis of War Horse and Private Peaceful. A synopsis is when you give a brief outline of the story. We have started with the first chapter.  In numeracy we have been doing rotational symmetry. This is where you put a point on a shape and you would either turn it clockwise or anti-clockwise.  We have been learning the Children in Need song which is called “God only Needs”. We made lots of posters which are around school that was good fun.  Many thanks to Niamh and Charlie |

|  |
| --- |
| ***PTFA News*** |
| **Bonfire Bake Off**  Many thanks for the cake donations. We will announce the names of the winners next week.  **Next Meeting**  A change of time & venue for our next meeting which will be held at The Tavern on Thursday 13th November at 7.30pm. Everybody is welcome. Please come along and share your ideas for the PTFA.  **Christmas Cards**  Many thanks for all the orders for Christmas Cards. Unfortunately there is no late order facility this year and therefore the closing date has now passed.  **Christmas PTFA Disco**  The Christmas Disco has now been confirmed as being held on Wednesday 3rd December from 4-5.30pm, in the school hall. Tickets will be on sale shortly.  **Games**  We are in the process of reviewing games/toys in each classroom which could be used during wet play. Before we purchase any we would be grateful for any donations of games/toys that your children may have had a previous interest in and no longer require. These include, moshi monsters, barbies, star wars, super hero figures ie, power rangers, spidermen etc. Also any board games would be appreciated. Many thanks for your co-operation. |

**After School Clubs**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Mon** | **Tues** | **Weds** | **Thurs** | **Fri** |
| **Y1** |  | **Cookery Club** until 4.15pm  **Ipad club** until 4pm | **Multi-Sports** until 4.15pm |  |  |
| **Y2** |  | **Cookery Club** until 4.15pm  **Ipad club** until 4pm | **Multi-Sports** until 4.15pm |  |  |
| **Y3** |  | **Gardening Club** until 4pm | **Choir** until 4pm | **Ipad club** until 4pm  **Multi-Sports** until 4.15pm | **Dance** until 4.15pm |
| **Y4** |  | **Gardening Club** until 4pm | **Choir** until 4pm | **Ipad club** until 4pm | **Dance** until 4.15pm |
| **Y5** | Rugby until 4.15pm | **Gardening Club** until 4pm  **Cookery Club** until 4.15pm  **Netball Club** until 4pm | **Choir** until 4pm | **Ipad club** Ends at 4pm |  |
| **Y6** | **Rugby** Until  4.15pm | **Gardening Club** until 4pm  **Cookery Club** until 4.15pm  **Netball Club** until 4pm | **Choir** until 4pm | **Ipad club** until 4pm |  |

A £1.00 donation would be greatly appreciated.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Diary Dates** | |
| **November** | |
| Tuesday 11th | Y2 Together Day @ 2pm |
| Wednesday 12th | Y3 Trip to Chester |
| Thursday 13th | PTFA meeting in The Tavern @ 7.30pm |
| Monday 17th | Parent Meetings |
| Thursday 20th | Open Evening from 6-8pm |
| Friday 21st | Reception Class Stay & Play @ 1pm |
| Friday 28th | Reception Trip to Pex Hill @ 1pm |
| **December** | |
| Wednesday 3rd | Reception Class Play @ 9.30am |
| Wednesday 3rd | PTFA Christmas Disco – Whole School from 4-5.30pm |
| Monday 8th | Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Play @ 4pm |
| Tuesday 9th | Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Play @ 4pm |
| Wednesday 10th | Year 3, Y4 & Y5 Christmas Play @ 4pm |
| Thursday 11th | Year 3, Y4 & Y5 Christmas Play @ 4pm |
| Friday 12th | Year 6 Carol Singing |
| Thursday 18th | Whole School Panto @ The Brindley |
| **May 2015** | |
| Saturday 9th | Holy Communion & Confirmation @ 10am & 12pm |

**And finally…**

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

.



Many thanks

Mrs Hannah

