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**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 11th May 2018**

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**Following in Jesus’ footsteps…**

**We pray together**

**We play together**

**We learn together**







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| http://www.educationcommission.org.uk/SiteImages/107.jpgCome and See |
| This term our theme is Pentecost – Serving. Pentecost is a time to spread the Good News of Jesus. Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit. |
| Our Value next week is Responsibility  Responsibility 2.jpg  Please speak to your child/ren about the importance of this value. |

**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

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| **[Image result for time to shine](http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=time+to+shine+pictures&id=5617E7635E9C7DAE9ACC0A860BBEA206FD876DCF&FORM=IQFRBA)** | |
| **Class** | **Star of the Week** |
| Reception | Aidan |
| Year 1 | Oliver |
| Year 2 | Jessica |
| Year 3 | Thomas |
| Year 4 | Alex |
| Year 5 | Caleb |
| Year 6 | Lucas |
| **The Star has been awarded to our children who have shown the value of the week.**  **Well done to the children who were chosen last week.**  star of the week proud.jpg | |

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| **attendance 1.png**  **Attendance for week ending 4th May 2018** | | | |
| **Year** | **Attendance** | **Rating** | **Weeks Won** |
| R | 100% | GREEN | 5 |
| 1\*\* | 95.3% | AMBER | 3 |
| 2 | 99.4% | GREEN | 5 |
| 3 | 94.3% | AMBER | 5 |
| 4 | 98.6% | GREEN | 6 |
| 5 | 95.5% | AMBER | 4 |
| 6 | 98.3% | GREEN | 1 |
| **Whole School: 96.8%**  **National average is 96.3%**  **Well done to our Reception Class you are our class of the week. As you achieved 100% attendance for the week you will receive ice pops for your break.**  **Well done**  **Unfortunately three classes were below the national average.**  **Please note – Holidays during school time cannot be authorised unless under exceptional circumstances. Holidays will therefore be marked as unauthorised unless permission has been granted under ‘exceptional circumstances’. This is a government drive to ensure children’s learning is not interrupted due to absence.**  **Many thanks** | | | |
| **We have noticed that a lot of children are leaving school early, particularly on a Friday afternoon for appointments. In future in order for us to authorise absences we will require a copy of the appointment cards please.** | | | |

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| **What’s happening soon** |
| **First Communion**  We have now taken delivery of the Communion ties and they are available from the  school office at £4.00 each.  **NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe**  We will be working with the NSPCC this year to help children have the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe from abuse. Representatives from the NSPCC will be coming into school on 21st May and will hold an assembly for the children and will then hold workshops for Y5 & Y6 children.  **Dot Art Competition**  It is with great pleasure that we can now announce Jake from Year 5 has won the opportunity to have his piece of work exhibited at the Liverpool School of Art & Design.  On Thursday 21st June the overall winners and runners up will be announced at prize giving ceremonies and from Friday 22nd till Saturday 30th June the dot-art Schools Exhibition will take place at the Liverpool School of Art & Design.  Once again we would like to take this opportunity to say a huge well done to all our fantastic artists in Year 5 for participating.  **Infant Lunch**  We have noticed that quite a few of the children are swapping from school lunch to packed lunch on a daily basis. Unfortunately this is not allowed as the kitchen need to order food two weeks before to ensure there is enough food for everyone.  **Royal Wedding**  As we look forward to the Royal Wedding we will be holding a special party meal on Thursday 17th May. We are hoping the weather will be kind to us and we can come together outside for a lovely party. A separate letter giving full details has been sent home this week.  **Y6 SATS**  The children in the Y6 class will be sitting their SATs examinations next Monday 14th May until Thursday 17th May. Children are invited to a breakfast club each morning from 8am. Siblings are welcome too but please arrive via the Y6 classroom. We would be grateful if children could arrive promptly for all classes to minimise the noise for the children in Y6.  **Y1 Father’s Day**  At the beginning of term we circulated the parental calendar but unfortunately we have had to change the date for the Father’s Day celebration to Friday 22nd June. We apologise for the change of date.  **Sports Day**  We will be holding our Sports Day on Friday 25th May. Children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 will take part in their races from 9.15am – 10.30am and children in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 will begin their races at 10.45am. All activities will be finished by 12pm. Please note that this activity is dependent on the weather and may be cancelled on the day itself although we will try to give you all as much notice as possible.  **Footballs**  We would kindly ask parents to not allow children to bring balls onto the playground of a morning as you wait for the bell. Parents have informed us that they are becoming an issue. Many thanks for your co-operation.  **Staffing**  Mrs Coughlin (Midday Supervisor) is leaving us today after many years of dedicated service at Holy Family. We wish her every happiness and would like to thank her for all she has done for the children and families of Holy Family School.  **School Nurse**  On Wednesday 16th May the school nurse will be coming to speak to the Reception Class about the importance of washing hands.  On Tuesday 12th June the school nurse will be returning to school to speak to the Reception Class about Healthy Eating.  **New Reception Meeting**  On Wednesday 13th June at 9.15am we will be holding our parent meeting of children who will be joining us in September. We look forward to welcoming you all. |
| **After School Clubs**  **If your child attends an after school club and needs to finish earlier than the finish time of the club, we would be grateful if you could come to the office to ask for your child. We have noticed that some parents are knocking at doors and as staff are supervising the children they are unable to answer the door.** |

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| **PTFA** |
| Thank you to everyone who supported us last term and helped us to increase the PTFA funds.  This year we will be holding Family Fun Night on Friday 6th July at 6pm.  We have lots of ideas for stall and prizes and as always we will need your support to make this a success.  We will send weekly reminders of what will be collected each Friday.  The following dates have been set aside to generate prizes and gifts for the Family Fun Night:  **18th May – non alcoholic bottles**  Children to be given a free raffle ticket, prizes for each class. Raffle to be drawn at assembly.  **25th May (Sports Day) – boxed cakes -**Children to wear trainers to school day.  **15th June – teddies** (Teddy, raffle to be drawn in assembly)  **22nd June –**  **chocolate**  Children to be given a free raffle ticket, prizes for each class. Raffle to be drawn at assembly.  **29th June – alcoholic bottles** - Own clothes day  **6th July** – **home-made cakes** – HF Bake-off - Children to be given a free raffle ticket, prizes for each class. Raffle to be drawn at assembly.  Donations of unwanted gifts, toys and books are welcome at any time. |

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| **Diary Dates** | |
| **May** | |
| Throughout May children in Y2 will be participating in Key Stage One tests. We would be grateful if any appointments or time away from school  could be kept to a minimum.  We thank you for your co-operation. | |
| W/C 14th | KS2 SATs |
| Wednesday 16th | School Nurse to speak to Reception re hand washing |
| Thursday 17th | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament @ 2.30pm |
| Thursday 17th | Party Meal for the Royal Wedding - £1.00 |
| Saturday 19th | First Holy Communions |
| Friday 25th | Sports Day - am |
| Friday 25th | Break up normal time |
| **June** | |
| Monday 11th | Return to School – Bell @ 8.55am |
| Tuesday 12th | School Nurse – Healthy Eating @ 9.30am |
| Wednesday 13th | Parental Meeting for children in Reception Sept 2018 @ 9.15am |
| Friday 22nd | Y1 Father’s Day Celebration @ 1.45pm |

