



# Holy Family Catholic Primary School

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5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## NEWSLETTER

### Dates for your diary

**Wk beg 8.11.21** Virtual Parents' Evenings (on School Cloud)

**8.11.21** – Times Tables Rockstars Competition starts

**15.11.21** Odd Socks Day for Anti-bullying week

**17.11.21** Anti Bullying Alliance – Key 1 and 2 Stage Performances (please can payment of £3 be made on ParentPay)

**17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> November** - Open Evenings (by appointment)

**18<sup>th</sup> November** School Photographer

**25.11.21** Y5 Robinwood Information meeting on Zoom 4pm

**19.11.21** Children in Need Day and Feel Good Friday (own clothes and cake sale – more details to follow)

**2.12.21** Y6 Robinwood Information meeting on Zoom 4pm

**10.12.21** Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

**16.12.21** Whole School Pantomime trip – more details to follow

**21.12.21** Break up for Christmas 1.30pm

**5.1.22** Return to school

### Parents' Meetings

#### Week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> November

Hopefully most of you will have now booked your appointment times to meet with class teachers next week. If you are having any difficulties, please see the School Cloud user guide that was sent out via Parent App before half term or contact the office for support. The website for the booking system is:

<https://hfcps.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

We hope everything goes smoothly with the technology next week!



### Times Tables Rockstars Competition Years 3-6

Please see letter on Parentapp with further details. The more the children play, the more chance they have of winning! There will be prizes for the winning class and top 3 individual pupils. Good Luck!



### Holy Family Clubhouse

A polite reminder that all bookings need to be made by 3.30pm each Friday for attendance at Breakfast/After School club the following week. Unfortunately, late

bookings will not be accepted as we need to plan in advance our staff, activities and resources. Miss Kenworthy has set up a new email account for any queries related to Clubhouse – please use this in future rather than the school office address.

[hclubhoue@holyfamilycronton.co.uk](mailto:hclubhoue@holyfamilycronton.co.uk)

### Inspire/Aspire Week

During the course of this week and next, each class will be learning about the life of a significant person and how they can inspire us and how we can aspire to be more like them. Please speak to your children about who they have studied and keep an eye on Twitter for updates.



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### **PTA Meeting - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 4pm on Zoom**

Everyone is very welcome to join the meeting, even if you were unable to attend the first one. We are always looking for more volunteers! Mrs Quigley will send out the Zoom link closer to the date.



### **Odd Socks Day and Anti-Bullying Week**

Get your odd socks ready for **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November** when we launch the start of Anti-bullying week. Mrs Quigley has arranged for 2 drama performances to take place for KS1 and 2 on 17<sup>th</sup> November. Please can a contribution of £3 per child be made on ParentPay. Many thanks.

### **School Photographer – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

Our photographer will be in school on the morning of 18.11.21 for individual and family photographs. If you have pre-school children and would like a family photograph, please come the hall doors at 8.30am.

### **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need and Feel Good Friday**

Children are welcome to wear their own clothes/ Children in Need merchandise. (We will be selling wrist bands next week for £1.) Please can a donation of £2 be paid on Parentapp which will be split between the charity and school fundraising. Many thanks.



### **Car park**

Unfortunately we don't have any good news as yet, but will keep you updated as soon as we hear more. We are still awaiting the road markings and the all clear to use the gate. Thank you very much for your patience in the meantime. We are aware of the congestion in the car park and hope as much as you do that it will be swiftly eased once we have access to the exit.

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## Christmas Holidays and Term Dates 2022-23

Please note we break up on for Christmas on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 1.30pm. (It was written on a section of the website as Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>.) Please see the last page for 2022-23 holiday dates.



### Volunteers needed please ...

Are you a good sewer? Could you help us out with some projects in the school? We would love to hear from you if you think you could help us out with some simple projects! Please send an email to the school address and we will get back to you with some details! Many thanks, Mrs Mitchell.

## Sporting Achievements

### Year 2 football

Well done to the Y2 boys who took part in the @EITC tournament this week. They played some great football and scored 13 goals in total. What a beautiful rainbow in the background too!

Great work! ⚽



### Year 3 and 4 STEM workshops with Mr Hayes

Thank you to Mr Hayes for delivering fantastic STEM sessions with our Y3 and Y4 classes. The children really enjoyed learning all about how important Science is in our everyday life and taking part in some fantastic activities.

### Clothes recycling bin

Look out for our new Clothes recycling bin which will be delivered to school in the next few weeks. We will be able to recycle quality clothing, paired shoes, bags, bedding, towels and soft toys. The company can also accept good quality sleeping bags to help the homeless community. By installing a recycled clothing bin, the PTA will receive £300 per tonne for quality textiles. This will also help with our school focus on being Eco-friendly.

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## Consultation into The Pasture (Cronton) Park Improvement Masterplan

Cronton Parish Council and Knowsley Borough Council are seeking the views of local residents and users of Cronton's main public park. The consultation will look at how the park could be improved in the future. It aims to ensure the masterplan adds as much value as possible to the community and that the quality of the green space supports quality of life in Cronton and surrounding areas.



They want to seek your views to help inform a refresh of the masterplan for the whole of The Pasture, which includes improvements to the playing fields, walking paths, play facilities, habitat works and other improvements to enhance the park. Views expressed in the consultation will help them to develop and deliver this.

The consultation closes on 1 December, 2021. Have your say here.

<https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/your-council/consultations/the-pasture-consultation>

**Our School Council and Eco-Team will be collecting the views of the children so we will also be contributing as a school.**

## Easyfundraising

Mrs Quigley has registered the PTA up to a website called easyfundraising, which will allow you to complete online shopping via easyfundraising and school will receive some commission back from major retailers. Simply register for an account via easyfundraising and follow Holy Family Catholic Primary School –



Cronton as a supporter. We will receive money for you doing your online shopping – a perfect time to set this up just before Christmas. 😊 [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

## Covid 19

In light of recent positive cases in school, please can we reiterate the advice from Knowsley about LFD family testing:

*We would recommend all families consider twice weekly home testing to support the community in keeping infection rates low in Knowsley. To order an LFD test to be delivered or to find your nearest community collect or assisted testing site please go to : [Find where to get rapid lateral flow tests - NHS \(test-and-trace.nhs.uk\)](https://www.test-and-trace.nhs.uk)*

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*We wish all our children & families a happy bonfire night and wonderful weekend.*

*Please stay safe and follow the Firework Code*



## Our Firework Code

**NEVER** play with or throw fireworks  
They are explosive and can hurt you

**ONLY** adults should light or hold fireworks

**WHEN** you are watching fireworks, stand well back

**NEVER** go near a firework that has been lit.  
Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode

If you have a pet, make sure it is safely indoors as fireworks might frighten it or make them run off

### If you are given a sparkler

**ALWAYS** wear gloves

**HOLD** the sparkler away from your body and don't wave it around. You could burn yourself or somebody else

**WHEN** your sparkler goes out, don't touch it. It could still burn you

**NEVER** give sparklers to a child under five

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## **SCHOOL TERMS and HOLIDAY DATES 2022 – 2023**

### **AUTUMN TERM 2022**

Return to school: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
Break up: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

#### ***HALF TERM - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022***

Return to school: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022  
Break up: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022 at 1.30pm

#### **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022 – 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023**

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### **SPRING TERM 2023**

Return to school: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
Break up: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

#### ***HALF TERM - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023***

Return to school: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023  
Break up: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 1.30pm

#### **EASTER HOLIDAY Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

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### **SUMMER TERM 2023**

Return to school: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023  
Break up: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

#### ***HALF TERM - Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023***

Return to school: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023  
Break up: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 1.30pm

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**INSET days** - 1st September 2022, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023, plus 1 day to be disseminated as twilights

**Please note school is closed for INSET days and on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May for bank holiday.**

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