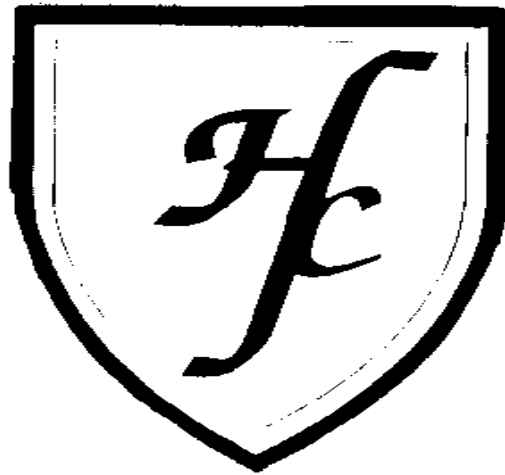


Holy Family Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



We pray together. We play together. We learn together.

Monday 9th September

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Dear Parents

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to welcome you all back to the new school year! I hope that you all enjoyed a restful summer holiday and are now ready for another exciting school year. Thanks to our wonderful PTFA for organising fundraising events throughout the year and to your very generous support at these events, the PTFA were able to fund the purchase of lovely storage furniture in KS1. Please do try to pop in to have a look! We have had a very busy summer with lots of work going on around the school. We have had all classrooms painted and the main entrance.

After School Clubs

Please note that there will not be any after school clubs for the next few weeks. Details of clubs and the nights they will be held on, the year groups involved will be made available to you as soon as possible.

New Children

We would like to offer a very warm and special welcome to the new children who join us today; they are:

Reception Class - Jack Bannister, Charlie Bivon, Charlie Boardman, Martha Borlase, Ciara Brady, Callum Burrows, Phoebe Burrows, Casey Collins-Cowan, Lauren Collins-Stuart, Charlie Davies, Grace Feeley, Jacob Fife, Sam Glancey, Zach Green, Lucas Griffin, Sofia Martinez-Moreno, Ella McDonnell, Jacob Moore, Adam Need, James Parr, Olivia Rixham, Dylan Rodgers, Ava Roylance, Nathan Turner, Ava Walsh, Matilda West, Frankie Whimperley, Evan Whitehead, Grace Wilson and Alex Young.

Y3 & Y5 - Jessica & Abigail Patrick

Y6 - Ethan Campbell

We hope they all settle quickly and enjoy their time at Holy Family.

New Staff

We also offer a warm welcome to our new teacher in Y6, Miss Ashdown. I'm sure that you will all make her feel very welcome.

RE Topic

This term we will be studying the three themes of Domestic Church (Family), Baptism and Confirmation (Belonging) and Advent and Christmas (Loving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics. The children will also spend a week studying Judaism. An RE newsletter will be sent home shortly.

School Mass

We are hoping to hold a School Mass in school on Thursday 19th September @ 9.30am. All are welcome to attend.

Coffee Meetings

Teacher's will be holding coffee mornings to share important information with parents, including the various topics to be covered over the next school year. We will let you know dates and times as soon as possible.

Email

We do try to keep parents informed as much as possible by various letters; however, we are aware that not all letters arrive home! In order for us to communicate with you fully (and to try and save a few trees!), we would like to send letters and information electronically. This

will be our preferred means of communication. Paper copies of letters/information will still be made available to parents who have not given school an email address. If you have an email address or have recently changed an existing email address and would like to start receiving information via email then please call into the school office to update your details.

Mathletics and Education City Home Access

Once again, we have invested money into these fantastic educational websites. Each child should have received their unique user name and password. We would like to see as many children access these websites as much as possible in order to enhance their learning.

Secondary Admission Booklets

If your child is currently in Y6 and you live in the Knowsley area you may pick up a booklet from the school foyer, if you have not already received one. Unfortunately, Halton will not give any booklets to the school and therefore if you live in the Halton area you will need to collect the booklet from the Halton Linc, or apply online. Please note that the closing date for applications is **31/10/13**.

Reception Class - September 2014 Admissions

The procedure for applying to schools has recently changed. Parents now need to complete admission forms for the area in which they live. For example, if you have a Halton address you need to complete a Halton form. If your first choice of school is Holy Family, you need to indicate this by writing Holy Family as first choice on the Halton Form and return to Halton LA. If you live in Knowsley, you need to complete a Knowsley form and return to Knowsley LA. We have now received copies of the Knowsley booklets and these can be collected from the school reception or completed online. Please note that the Halton booklets are now available but, unfortunately, Halton will not give any to the school. Halton online form is now available. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to call into the school office. The closing date for applications is no later than 15th January 2014. Addresses for the websites are as follows:
Knowsley Admissions: www.knowsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions
Halton Admissions: www.halton.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Morrison's Let's Grow Vouchers

We will be collecting the Let's Grow vouchers again this year and would be grateful if you would please send any into school.

Dinner Money

Dinner money for this term is £56.10 for children in Y1 - Y6. Please make cheques payable to KMBC. Please also note that due to food ordering it is not possible for children to have school meals on some days and not on others during a school week.

For children in the Reception class there will be a special offer for week commencing 23rd September. In a bid to try and coax children to have school meals, Knowsley Council have agreed a special rate of £5.00 for the week. Mrs Evans will give more information in her class letter. Menus showing the meals available for the week will be sent home next week. We would be grateful if you could please let us know as soon as possible if you would like to take up the special offer. Unfortunately, this is only available for children in the Reception Class.

Many thanks
Mrs Hannah