

#### **Holy Family Catholic Primary School**

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4<sup>th</sup> February 2022

# **NEWSLETTER**

### **Dates for your diary**

7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> February Children's Mental Health Week

8th February Safer Internet Day

**10**<sup>th</sup> **February** – Wear a colourful accessory for Sophie's birthday.

4pm Year 6 SATS meeting (On Zoom)

11<sup>th</sup> February 'Dress to Express' Day (£1 donation for Mental Health charity)

Year 4 Rejoice Assembly (will be filmed and uploaded to Seesaw)

16th-18th February Y6 Robinwood residential

18th February FEEL GOOD FRIDAY (own clothes and £1 donation please). Finish for half term

28th February Back to school and start of Fairtrade Week

2<sup>nd</sup> March Ash Wednesday

3rd March World Book Day

14<sup>th</sup> March Science Week

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2nd Communion/Confession preparation service in Church for Y4 parents 6pm

**25**<sup>th</sup> March Feel Good Friday – Non-uniform day (£1 donation please)

**28**<sup>th</sup> **March – 1**<sup>st</sup> **April** Parent and Teacher Meetings on School Cloud (specific days for each class to be shared)

4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> April Y4 First Confessions in church 2pm

8<sup>th</sup> April Year 5 Rejoice Assembly (will be filmed and uploaded to Seesaw)

13<sup>th</sup> April Break up for Easter 1.30pm

25<sup>th</sup> April Back to school for the summer term

### **SCHOOL LEVY**

In England, the Government does not fully meet the costs involved in building and maintaining our Catholic Schools. The Catholic Church, through its dioceses, in our case the Archdiocese of Liverpool, has to find 10% of these costs.

To help meet its legal obligation for these considerable expenses, the Archdiocese of Liverpool requests a contribution from all parents/carers of pupils who attend Catholic schools – the School Levy. **We are charged £10.00 for every family in school.** 

Holy Family has benefitted a great deal over the past few years from this building fund (e.g. the Year 5 classroom extension) and hope to apply for further developments such as

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the outdoor area in Early years and internal work to modernise certain areas of the school. We feel it is important to pay our levy in full so we can benefit from this scheme again in the future.

We would appreciate if you would contribute to this levy payment of £10 as a family. Payments can be made from today through ParentPay.

Thank you very much for your continued support

### 10<sup>th</sup> February – Sophie's birthday celebration

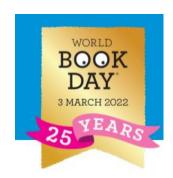
On Thursday, the children are invited to wear a colourful accessory with their school uniform as we celebrate and remember Sophie's 7<sup>th</sup> birthday. A colourful sock, badge, hair accessory etc could be worn or even a splash of face paint!



#### 3<sup>rd</sup> March - World Book Day 2022

World Book Day is a celebration! It's a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and (most importantly) it's a celebration of reading.

Children are welcome to dress up as a character from a book (fiction or non-fiction) if they wish, or to wear cosy bedtime story clothes. The main purpose of the day is to celebrate reading and we will certainly be doing this whatever the children wear. We know time is precious and don't want parents to go to any expense for a day that's intended to promote and celebrate reading.



Throughout the week there will be a number of fun book- themed activities to support the children's love of reading and we're sure it will be an enjoyable week for everyone.

#### Writers of the week

Congratulations to the children chosen as our 'Writers of the Week'. Their wonderful work is displayed in the corridor so everyone can admire it throughout the week. The work will be sent home next Friday so the children can share their work with you.



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#### **Dress to Express**



Next Friday the children can wear **whatever** they like in our 'Dress to Express' Day in support of Children's Mental Health. We welcome a £1 donation for mental health charity Place2Be.

#### **EYFS Request**

EYFS are looking for the donation of a compost bin please. If anyone has one or knows of a business that could donate one to us, please can you get in touch. Many thanks.



### **Childhood Flu Vaccinations**

Knowsley Council are working with Social Marketing Gateway (SMG), an independent research company, to explore how parents in Knowsley feel about flu vaccinations for their children aged 2-3 years and 12-15 years old.

As part of this, SMG has developed an online questionnaire which will take around 10 minutes to complete. It can be accessed at:

https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/KnowsleyFluParents/
We would be very grateful if you could complete this questionnaire by 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

Everyone who completes the survey will be given the opportunity to enter a prize draw, where they could win one of three £50 Love2Shop vouchers, which can be used in most high street shops.

All the answers you give will be kept by SMG in the strictest confidence and your name won't be linked in any way to your answers. SMG abide by the Market Research Code of Conduct and GDPR so the information you provide will only be used for the purposes of this project.

If you know anyone else who may also want to give their opinion about the childhood flu vaccinations, please feel free to pass the link to them.

If you have any questions about the research, please contact Sarah Muir from SMG at <a href="mailto:sarah@smgateway.co.uk">sarah@smgateway.co.uk</a>

# Please see the information below from Knowsley Culture Development & Events Team.

As part of the celebrations for Knowsley becoming Liverpool City
Region's Borough of Culture in 2022 we are delighted to announce one of the first
highlights to the year - the magnificent Gaia artwork will land in St Chad's Church in Kirkby
on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January and everyone has the chance to come and see it over a three-week
period. The artworks will be open to the public from the **28<sup>th</sup> January - 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022**.

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To book on, please go to this link: <u>Gaia – Booking Page – Culture Knowsley</u> and choose your date. For groups of more than 6 people please book through Katy McLoughlin – <u>katy.mcloughlin@knowsley.gov.uk</u> or her ring on 0151 443 5749. Thank you and look forward to hearing from yu.

#### More information:

"Gaia" is a six-metre-wide replica of the earth based on imagery and data from NASA. Suspended in the air and slowly revolving, the artwork – which will be housed in St Chad's Church in Kirkby - gives people a chance to see our planet floating in three dimensions. A specially made surround sound composition by BAFTA and Ivor Novello Award winning composer Dan Jones will be played alongside the sculpture.

Keep looking at <u>www.cultureknowsley.co.uk</u> for details on other Borough of Culture events.



## **Tuesday Football Sessions**

1st, 8th and 15th February Come and join our three free fun football sessions at:

> Frank Myler Pavilion 4- 5pm: Key stage 1 5 - 6pm: Key stage 2

- · Sessions will be ran on the multi-use games area.
- No experience required.
- No football boots needed.
- Weather permitting

To book your child a place contact Jenny Zielski on: Jenny.zielski@halton.gov.uk or phone: 0151 511 7869

Please note sessions may be cancelled due to bad weather or sessions altered to suit www.activehalton.co.uk the needs of those booked on

