



## Holy Family Catholic Primary School and Nursery

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# NEWSLETTER

### Dates for your diary

- 12<sup>th</sup> July** Year 6 Leavers play 4pm (See letter for further details)  
**14<sup>th</sup> July** Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15am followed by refreshments for Y6 parents  
Reception Rejoice Assembly 2.30pm (re-arranged from last week)  
**15<sup>th</sup> July** **Whole School Colour Run** (See details below) End of term 1.30pm finish  
**5<sup>th</sup> September** All children return to school (including Nursery)

### Advance Notice of some Autumn Term dates.

- 16<sup>th</sup> September** – Year 5 Tatton Park trip (Crime & Punishment History theme)  
**20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September** Year 5 swimming (8 days in total)  
**26<sup>th</sup> September** Reception 9am  
**27<sup>th</sup> September** Year 1 9am  
**28<sup>th</sup> September** Year 2 9am  
**29<sup>th</sup> September** Year 4 9am  
**29<sup>th</sup> September** Year 3 Tatton Park trip (Stone Age History theme)  
**30<sup>th</sup> September** Year 3 9am  
**3<sup>rd</sup> October** Year 5 9am  
**4<sup>th</sup> October** Year 6 9am  
**4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> October** Year 4 swimming (8 days in total)  
**10<sup>th</sup> October** Year 4 Roman Day in Chester  
**17<sup>th</sup> October** Year 6 Tatton Park trip (World War 2 History theme)  
**21<sup>st</sup> October** Finish for half term 3.15pm  
**31<sup>st</sup> October** Start of Autumn 2 term  
**1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> November** Year 3 swimming (8 days in total)  
**20<sup>th</sup> December** – Whole School pantomime trip to The Brindley  
**21<sup>st</sup> December** – End of term 1.30pm  
(More dates to follow)

### PTFA – Thank you

Thank you again for supporting the Summer fair last week and buying tickets for the raffle. Congratulations to all of the winners who were drawn today in assembly. The PTFA raised an amazing £2700 for school. We are aiming to improve the outside play spaces around school, starting with our Early Years area and the funds raised from the PTFA events this year will enable us to plan ahead for these exciting developments.

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# Colour Run

**Next Friday is our last day of term and we're all very excited about the Colour Run we have planned. Here are a few reminders and further details about the last day.**

- No uniform - children to wear clothing and shoes you don't mind getting covered in powder paint. (White clothing will show up the colours better.)
- Children may wear goggles or sunglasses to protect their eyes.
- No bags to be brought to school so the children can leave the field directly from the run. (You may want to cover car seats ready for the children going home!)
- School can provide a £1 picnic lunch or send a packed lunch into school in a disposable bag. (Payable on ParentApp)
- Gates will open for parents (N -Y5) at 1.20pm. All children will be collected from the field. (**Year 6 parents are welcome to come to school at 1pm through the front office.**)
- At 1.30pm the whole school will gather to wave goodbye to Year 6.



We are very aware that you have been extremely generous all year and truly appreciate even the smallest donation towards our well-being garden fund in memory of Sophie.

Sponsor money can be donated through ParentApp or on the JustGiving page.

Many thanks in advance for this.

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## Uniform for September

In September, the children should return to school wearing their winter uniform which consists of the following:

### Years 1 to 6

Navy blue jumper or cardigan with light blue stripe and school badge

School tie – navy blue with light blue stripe (Elasticated or normal)

White school shirt or blouse – long or short sleeved

School kilt or pinafore (tartan pattern)

Grey school trousers

Black shoes. (No trainers)

School book bag (large rucksacks should not be brought into school as we don't have the storage space for them)

### PE kits

School PE top, navy blue shorts, pumps (trainers required for outdoor games)

Plain navy blue tracksuit (with or without school logo) for outdoor games

### EYFS Uniform – Nursery and Reception

Navy blue sweatshirt (school badge optional)

Navy blue jogging bottoms






White polo shirt (school badge optional)

School jumpers, ties, PE kits and school badges can be bought from Boydells or Kits for All in Widnes.

Don't forget our PTFA pre-loved uniform shop stocks most items of school uniform.

See below for examples of some of the current stock.

<https://uniformerly.co.uk/listing-category/holy-family-catholic-primary-school-wa8-5dw/>

	<b>Branded Jumper</b> <span>PTA</span> Age/Size: 26" Quantity: 4 Branded jumper (Performa), navy with light blue edging and embroidered school badge. Please make payment by bank transfer to the PTFA account: Account name: Holy Family PTFA Sort code: 08...	£ 3.00
	<b>Branded Cardigan</b> <span>PTA</span> Age/Size: 66cm/26" Quantity: 4 Branded cardigan, navy with light blue edging and embroidered school badge. Please make payment by bank transfer to the PTFA account: Account name: Holy Family PTFA Sort code: 08 92...	£ 3.00
67 item(s) found		
	<b>Branded Cardigan</b> <span>PTA</span> Age/Size: 23-25" Quantity: 2 Branded cardigan (Trutex), navy with light blue edging and embroidered school badge. Please make payment by bank transfer to the PTFA account: Account name: Holy Family PTFA Sort code: 08...	£ 3.00
	<b>Tartan Pinafore</b> <span>PTA</span> Age/Size: 28" Quantity: 3 Tartan pinafore by John Hall, size 28". Please make payment by bank transfer to the PTFA account: Account name: Holy Family PTFA Sort code: 08 92 99 Account number: 67246360...	£ 5.00
	<b>Tartan Skirt</b> <span>PTA</span> Age/Size: 5-6 Quantity: 1 Tartan skirt by Winterbottoms, age 5-6 years. Please make payment by bank transfer to the PTFA account: Account name: Holy Family PTFA Sort code: 08 92 99 Account number: 67246360...	£ 5.00

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## School Attendance

The Department for Education currently have a huge focus on the importance of children's attendance at school and have released new guidance on this. We will therefore be continuing our own focus on attendance at school and reviewing our approaches from September. Our aim is for attendance to be 97% or above. Below 90% is classed as Persistent Absence and the local authority may get involved with families when children have low absence rates.

Currently, the governing body do not fine parents who take their children out of school during term time, however this is under review. **Please ensure that holidays are only taken within school holidays, not during term time.** We fully appreciate that this year many postponed holidays from the pandemic have led to some holidays being in term time but we anticipate that from September this should not be the case.

School holiday dates are below and a link to the school holiday calendar on our website is here:

<https://holycronton.co.uk/parents/term-dates/>

Can we also bring your attention to the dates for the statutory assessments for next year:

**Year 1 Phonics** 12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> June 2023 (and Year 2 Phonics resits)

**Year 2 SATS** within May 2023

**Year 4 Multiplication Checks** – 5<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

**Year 6 SATs** 8<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## COVID

We have seen a rise in Covid cases across school over the last week and are still keen to protect our families and especially the most vulnerable who are at more risk of severe illness. Current guidelines on children testing positive for Covid are summarised below. If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days (for adults it is 5 days) after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

## Free School Meals

Universal free school meals are an automatic entitlement for all children in EYFS, Y1 and Y2. If you get any of the qualifying benefits, can get extra funding, called pupil premium. If your child is in Y3 or above, your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the qualifying benefits. If your financial circumstances have changed and you think you may be eligible, please visit:

<https://parentportal.knowsley.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/fsmapplication#h1>

to check eligibility and apply.

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## Reception Class Photographs

The deadline for returning the order form is Monday so the order can be processed in time for the end of term.

## Reading books returned

Please can all school reading books, library books and reading folders/diaries be returned so we can audit our books and organise resources for next year.



## Outstanding ParentPay payments

As we approach the end of term, please can the balance be paid for all Nursery fees, trips, Clubhouse attendance, lunch or wrap around fees before the end of term. Many thanks.

## Annual Reports

You should have received your child's annual report this week. Please can you return the signed acknowledgement sheet if you haven't done so already.

## School books

Please can children bring a plastic bag into school next week so they can start to bring home books and belongings from their trays. In some year groups, books will be passed up to the next class so not all exercise books will be sent home at the end of term.



**You can see pop up art pieces on the following dates from 10am to 4pm 12<sup>th</sup> July – Cronton Pasture, Cronton**



**Getting things started...**

James is working with Jon Forman to create a bespoke painted art installation at Halewood Triangle. The major piece of public art which will be on display from Tuesday 9 August to Saturday 13 August. It will be photographed from above and visitors will be able to explore the work via a series of painted pathways.

James has also promised to create some 'pop-up' land art in secret locations across the borough over the summer months – meaning that anyone taking a stroll in Knowsley might just stumble across a hidden gem of creativity and be able to lend a hand. Keep your eyes peeled and follow @cultureknowsley for any clues about where you might find him.

Renowned land artist James Brunt is coming to Knowsley to create amazing land art installations in some of the borough's most loved open spaces.

James uses natural objects like stones, leaves and shells to create mesmerising patterns and mandalas and has worked on hundreds of projects across the UK.

James will be working with several other accomplished land artists and local communities to create amazing outdoor galleries.

Everyone is invited to take part and you don't need any creative or artistic experience, just a willingness to get involved and create something truly wonderful in your local green space!



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# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



## 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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