



Holy Family Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 23rd September 2016



Congratulations to the following children

Year Group	Star of the Week 16 th Sept	Star of the week 23 rd September	Attendance School Target 96% Whole School 97.5%
Nursery	Amelia-Lily	Seb	85.9%
Reception	Kacper	Anastazja	99.6%
Year 1	Lewis	Cian	100%
Year 2	Laura	Kristina	98.0%
Year 3		Jian Li	94.6%
Year 4	Beau	Joshua W	95.6%
Year 5	Tamara	Domanic	98.7%
Year 6	Ella	Evie	95.4%

Attendance

I am very pleased to see our attendance is above our school target. It would be fantastic if we could keep it that way. There is toast on Fridays for any class who is above target. The classes who are just below target can soon get back up there if we make sure everyone is in every day.

Credit Union

We are continuing to run our Credit Union Savings scheme on a Tuesday morning. If you started saving last year and would like to continue then Mrs Heppenstall will be collecting money before the start of school. If you did not open an account last year but are interested call in and speak to Mrs Heppenstall and she will be happy to help.

PE Kits

All PE kits should now be in school. PE lessons have started. They can be left in school and taken home at half-term. We are still having a lot of children coming into school with earrings in on their PE day. Earrings cannot be worn for PE for safety reasons. If your child cannot take them out themselves then please make sure they are removed before they come to school.

Manor Payments

The next Manor payment is due. All money needs to be paid by the end of October.

A polite reminder

Dogs are not allowed on the school premises. If other family members collect your child as well can you make sure they are aware of this? Thank you for your support.

Start of the school day

The children have settled into their new classes. Staff are on duty on the playground and at the main gate from 8.45am. If you would like to leave your child on the playground they are supervised. If you wait with your child until the bell goes we ask if you could leave the playground then to ease the congestion getting the children into school.

Nursery parents are still welcome to bring their child in.

Uniform reminders

Black school shoes should be worn as part of the school uniform. If your child needs a hair bobble or a hair band then this should be plain.

Packed Lunches

As a Healthy School we aim to promote healthy eating. The dinners provided by school follow strict guidelines. If you are providing your child with a packed lunch please support our Healthy School status by not sending fizzy drinks, energy drinks, sweets or chocolate bars in your child's packed lunch. With this newsletter is some information on healthy packed lunches.

Evacuees

Last Friday Year 3 went on the East Lancashire Railway as part of their World War II topic. They came to school dressed as Evacuees. A wonderful time was had by all.

Parent Governor

Thank you to all the parents who have returned the ballot papers for the Parent Governor Election. The ballot closed at 12.00pm today. We will let you know the outcome.

Sacramental Preparation Programme

We are in the process of arranging our Sacramental Preparation Programme for this year. If your child is in Year 4 and you would like them to make their Confession and First Holy Communion then please look out for information. If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and has not yet made theirs then they can join in this year.

Applications for High School

If your child is in Year 6 you need to apply for a place at High School. If you are applying to St Edmund Arrowsmith or any other Catholic High School then you will need to fill in **both the application form and the supplementary faith form**. If you do not fill in both forms then your application may not be processed correctly. If you are unsure please call into the office and speak to Ms Affleck. The closing date for applications is 31st October 2016.

Friends of Holy Family

The next meeting of Friends of Holy Family is on Monday 10th October at 3.00pm.

Dates for your diary

Along with this newsletter is a list of dates for the upcoming term. We will do our best to keep to the dates but occasionally they may need to be changed.

Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 11 th October	9.30am	Year 6 to St Edmund Arrowsmith for a Musical Performance
Tuesday 11 th October	9.20am	Year 5 Assembly
Wednesday 19 th October	4.30pm 5.45pm	Fancy Dress Disco
Friday 21 st October	3.35pm	Term Ends
Monday 31 st October	8.55am	Term Starts
Tuesday 1 st November	10.00am	Mass for All Saints Day at Holy Family Church
Friday 18 th October	12.00pm	National Schools Week Dinner
Wednesday 14 th October	9.20am	Year 2 Assembly
Wednesday 23 rd November	4.00pm	Parents Evening
Thursday 24 th November	4.00pm	Parents Evening
Wednesday 30 th November	3.45pm	Christmas Extravaganza
Monday 12 th December	2.00pm	Reception and Nursery Performance
Tuesday 13 th December	9.30am	Reception and Nursery Performance
Wednesday 14 th December	9.30am	Year 1 and 2 Performance
Wednesday 14 th December	2.00pm	Year 1 and 2 Performance
Friday 16 th December	12.00pm	Christmas Dinner
Monday 19 th December	11.00am	Year 4 Music Performance
Monday 19 th December	1.15pm	Nursery and Reception Party
Tuesday 20 th December	1.15pm	Year 1 and 2 Party
Wednesday 21 st December	1.15pm	Year 3 and 4 Party
Thursday 22 nd December	1.15pm	Year 5 and 6 Party
Thursday 22 nd December	3.35pm	Term Ends
Tuesday 10 th January	8.55am	Term Starts