



Holy Family Catholic High School

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Monday, December 16, 2024

Dear Parent,

At the end of a very busy term, I would like to thank all pupils, staff and parents for their support and cooperation.

We are very proud of all the children at Holy Family and we are proud to be part of our community. I would like to bring a few things to your attention:

- Our school spirit - the children and their families continue to amaze me with their generosity and willingness to help. This term we have supported a number of charities including:
 - Mental Health Awareness Day, our Yellow Day, raised £700 for Young Minds;
 - we raised over £4000 for cancer charities through our 'Cherries and Berries' appeal;
 - we, once again, hosted our annual Pensioners Christmas Party for residents in some of our local care homes;
 - our Year 7 'sleepover' raised over £4700 for the Hope Indian Orphanage – that's a record!
 - Book appeal – thank you to everyone who supported Mr Hope's book appeal. He has collected over 700 new books to give to children in local hospitals over the Christmas holiday.
 - Foodbank - a massive thank you for contributing to our Foodbank which has enabled us to support a significant number of families in our community.
- Rewards – over 160,161 merits have been given out since September and over 95% of all behaviour points awarded are merits. And, over 80% of the children qualified for the Rewards Trips, which means they had at least 100 merits more than demerits to qualify, that's brilliant.
- We continue to be one of the most oversubscribed schools on Merseyside, and the most oversubscribed school in Sefton.

Staff Leaver:

We will be very sorry to say goodbye to Miss Jankee who is leaving us to join a school much closer to her home. We would like to thank her for all her hard work and wish her every success and happiness for their future.

Reminders/Key dates:

Tuesday 17th December

- Period 5 - 6th Form Christmas party
- Year 11 Christmas Jumper Day (optional, but please bring in a donation if you can)

Wednesday 18th December

- Rewards trips - all years (Alternative timetable for pupils left on site)
- 6th Form York Christmas market trip
- Years 11/12/13 finish

Thursday 19th December

- Christmas market - Years 7-10
- Walk of Faith (tbc) - Years 7-10
- Years 7-10 Christmas Jumper Day (please bring in a donation)

Friday 20th December - End of term arrangements for Years 7-10

- Years 7 & 8 finish at 12.10pm
- Years 9 & 10 finish at 12.15pm

Monday 6th January – start of term for all pupils (Week B, 8.45am start)

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to wish you and your loved ones a very merry and peaceful Christmas, and the very best for a happy New Year.

Best wishes and God Bless,

Mr Symes
Headteacher