



Holy Family Catholic High School

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Dear Parents/Carers and Pupils

I can't quite believe how quickly this year has passed and that you have now nearly completed your time at your primary schools. Their loss is our gain as you transition to secondary school with us at Holy Family. I have a few items to update you on to ensure you feel prepared and ready for September.

Holy Family Summer School, 20th August

Many of you expressed an interest in our "Summer School" day. Please can you confirm your attendance with contact details, etc, using the form on the following link. There is no charge for this year's summer school and please do not worry if you are unable to attend. **Please complete this form by Friday 19th July so we can confirm staffing.**

<https://forms.office.com/e/mm8MmeTiXx>

We look forward to meeting many of you again on the day. The day will run from 9.30am-2.30pm with a blend of activities. Children must be collected from the summer school by a responsible person or have consent to leave unaccompanied.

Snacks and a drink will be provided for all the children who attend but they will need to bring their own packed lunch. Water fountains are available to refill water bottles. Please wear suitable comfortable clothes for all the activities, including, outdoor activities, so sun cream may be required.

PE, Uniform and Parents' Information Booklet

Our transition web page contains all the information you may need. This includes our Parents' Information Booklet, previous correspondence, plus information about uniform and PE kit. **The next discount code week for PE kit at O'Neill's is 24th - 30th July.**

<https://holyfamilyhighschool.co.uk/about-us/y6-new-starters>

First Days

School starts for all our Year 7 on **Wednesday 4th September**. All pupils are to arrive by 8.45m at Holy Family in full school uniform. Only Year 7 and 11 are in school on this day and the day will be spent getting to know the school and settling into Holy Family.

All form classes will be invited to spend a day at CHET in Little Crosby on Monday 9th or Tuesday 10th September to take part in teamwork and adventure activities. **On the day pupils go to CHET they are advised to attend in their PE kit, or something similarly suitable**, as they may get dirty during some of the activities! They will also need to bring a packed lunch. The trip to CHET costs £30 per pupil and you can pay by our online payment system, [Scopay](#) (details of which you have been sent in a separate email on 26/06/24). Further details will be provided in the first week of September.

School Bus

If you have requested a place on one of the school buses you will be notified of the transport arrangements in due course, during the summer break.

Timings of the school day from September 2024

Please note that the timings of our school day will change slightly in September due to DfE requirements.

Week A and Week B	Years 7, 9 & 11	Years 8, 10 & 12/13
Start of day	8.45am start	8.45am start
Form Time/Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am	8.45 – 9.15am
Period 1	9.15 – 10.15am	9.15am – 10.15am
Period 2 & Break	10.15 – 11.30am (break at 10.15 – 10.30am)	10.15 – 11.30am (break at 11.15 - 11.30am)
Period 3	11.30 – 12.30pm	11.30 - 12.30pm
Period 4 & Lunch	12.30 – 2.10pm (lunch at 12.30 – 2.10pm)	12.30 – 2.10pm (lunch at 1.30 – 2.10pm)
Period 5	2.10pm – 3.15pm	2.10pm – 3.15pm
End of day	Year 7 finish at 3.10pm Years 9 & 11 finish at 3.15pm	Year 8 finish at 3.10pm Years 10 & 12/13 finish at 3.15pm

I sincerely hope you have a lovely summer holiday and look forward with great excitement to meeting you all again soon.

Kind regards.

Mr M Symes
Headteacher