

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we enter the final half term of 2023-2, we still have plenty to do and lots to enjoy. For our year 6 pupils this is their last half term here with us at Holy Family and in addition to plays and exciting events, they will be getting ready for their transition to secondary. For our reception class, I am sure many parents will be wondering how an entire year has passed so quickly! Please make a note of important dates for events.

School of Sanctuary Award



This week we begin our journey towards earning the 'School of Sanctuary' award. All schools in the BEBCMAT trust are working towards earning this award in 2024-25. A School of Sanctuary is a school that demonstrates good practice in fostering a culture of welcome, belonging and solidarity for those seeking safety. This could be families simply moving across our town, from another place in the UK or even those forced into migration from abroad.

This award is being kicked off with an assembly in school and then our 'multi-faith visits' to different places of worship. We wish to show our children how to live out our school motto, 'In all things love' and give our children a chance to understand how other cultures and faiths live. Through understanding, tolerance will grow and society will be kinder to all.

Year 3 will be visiting The Hindu Society and Community Centre in Preston.

Year 4 will be visiting the Synagogue at St. Anne's.

Year 5 will be visiting the Masjid-e-noor Mosque in Preston.

Year 6 will be visiting the Vajravarahi Buddhist temple in Preston.

Phonics Screen and Multiplication check

This week also sees the start of our phonics screen in year 1 and the multiplication check in year 4. These checks are statutory government checks, which must be administered each year. Your children will all be used to the format of each check so there is nothing for parents to worry about.

Youth Games

The week beginning the 17th June is Youth Games. This is an exciting sporting opportunity which is shared by all schools across Blackpool. There will be several different sporting events throughout the week. Mrs Unsworth will be sending home details to any children involved.















	Dates for your diary coming up - SUMMER
10/6/24	Start of our School of Sanctuary award
	Year 5 visit to the Mosque
11/6/24	Year 3 visit to the Hindu Temple
12/6/24	Y5 Taster day at St. Mary's Academy
13/6/24	Year 3 Mass @ 2:30pm in our hall – all welcome
	Reception 2024 intake parents' meeting @ 5:30pm
14/6/24	Y6 visit to the Buddhist Temple
17/6/24	Youth Games week
18/6/24	Year 4 open air Mass at St. Mary's (this is for pupils only)
20/6/24	Year 2 Mass @ 2:30pm in our hall – all welcome
22/6/24	First Holy Communion at Holy Family Church
27/6/24	Year 1 Mass @ 2:30pm in our hall – all welcome
	Y4 visit to the synagogue (no swimming)
28/6/24	School Summer Fair
1/7/24	Science week
4/7/24	Year 4 Mass @ 2:30pm in our hall – all welcome
	Reception taster days
5/7/24	Year 5 camping
10/7/24	Year 4 mini Olympics event
11/7/24	Year 5 Mass @ 2:30pm in our hall – all welcome
	Year 6 Play
17/7/24	Year 6 Leavers' meal (details to follow)
18/7/24	Year 6 Leavers' Mass
19/7/24	Finish for summer @1:30pm

Mrs Allonby's Recommended read!

This term, I was recommended the book 'Shadow' (by Michael Morpurgo) by Poppy Sumner in Year 6. I really enjoyed this book about Aman and his struggles to stay safe. Miss Hansell is now reading it but there are extra copies in our library.



Have you got a book recommendation? Let me know what you have enjoyed!

Attendance

Well done to year 5 with the best attendance this half term.

95.7%













