



Newsletter - Summer 1 : 27.4.26

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a glorious weekend we had – here's to more sunny days! If the weather is hot and sunny, please do send your child in with a sun hat and sun cream already on. The mornings tend to be cooler so don't be caught out by these hotter afternoons.

Catholic Life

Class Mass resumes on the 23rd, led by Year 5. All are welcome to join us for Mass and we do encourage those who are Catholic to take communion also.

School Mass has come around quickly and we are leading the readings at Holy Family Church on May 10th. It is always lovely to see as many families attend as possible and Miss Mallinson encourages the choir to attend so that singing sounds beautiful in the church. Our Year 5 children have been engaged in Ministers of the Word program this term and we would love to see as many read as possible. Please do encourage your child to volunteer for a role in the mass.

We will be planning a May procession in the next few days in conjunction with St. Bernadette's. The procession is in order to celebrate our Mother Mary. It would be nice for those who have celebrated their first Holy Communion to wear their outfits again (if they fit). More details to come.

Year 6 residential

Our year 6 had an absolute blast at waterpark last week. The staff up at the residential centre told us that our children were the best group they had to stay in a long time and it had been a joy to host them. It is always a joy to share this kind of feedback with our community.

SATS and Assessments

This term sees statutory testing for YEAR 6 pupils. These tests are set nationally and monitored by Blackpool Council. It is imperative that all year 6 children are in school on time for their tests. SAT testing begins on Monday 11th May 2026. Year 1 and Year 4 will also need to be in school every day on time for the week beginning 8th June 2026 as they will sit their phonics screen (Y1) or Multiplication check (Y4). Mrs Dempsey will be offering a breakfast before each test to help clam nerves.

Hay Fever and medicines.

We have had a number of children require pirition recently as we have been able to play on the grass. Although we do not mind administering some medicines such as piriton and calpol on a one-off, emergency basis, school will not continue to medicate children from our supplies on a daily basis. We must have a signed form from parents for daily medicine and this must be supplied by home. Although we can keep children off the grass, children return to class after lunch, alongside peers

who have rolled, jumped and played on the field and inevitably they will carry pollen into the classroom. If your child is a hay fever sufferer, it is advisable to give your child an anti-histamine before school to lessen the effects.

Free School meals

If your circumstances have changed, please let the school office know and we can check whether you are eligible for free school meals. This premium can help also with further costs such as school trips. We are always keen to help.

If you and your family are struggling with uniform, such as new shoes or a new jumper, please contact Miss Deegan and we may be able to help you. Please don't forget that school holds pre-loved uniform and families are always welcome to come and choose items that are needed.

Planning ahead:

Dates for your diary:

30.4.26	Y5 Class Mass
4.5.26	MAY BANK HOLIDAY
6.5.26	Y4 mini Olympics at St. Mary's Cancelled
6.5.26	Y6 – Grand theatre trip
7.5.26	Y4 Class Mass
10.5.26	SCHOOL MASS @ HOLY FAMILY 11:30
11.5.26	SAT WEEK – GPS papers
12.5.26	Reading paper
13.5.26	Maths paper 1 and 2
14.5.26	Maths paper 3
14.5.26	Year 3 class mass
15.5.26	Year 6 SAT treat
18.5.26	Sports day
19.5.26	Grundy Art Gallery trips
21.5.26	Year 2 class Mass
22.5.26	Break up for half term 3:15pm.

