



Newsletter – 30.9.23 Autumn 1 week 5

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Dear Parents/Carers,

New website!

Have you spotted our new website yet? It is still at the same address: <https://www.holy-family.blackpool.sch.uk>

Do have a look as it is one of our main sources of information for parents.

Admissions and Open evening

If you have a child born between **1st September 2020** and **31st August 2021**, you must apply for a primary school Reception (EYFS) place for September 2024. (Applications are required for all children with a 4th birthday between 1st September 2024 and 31st August 2025.)

If you live in Blackpool (pay council tax to Blackpool) apply online: www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions

CLOSING DATES FOR APPLICATIONS FOR EYFS SEPTEMBER 2025 - 15th JANUARY 2025

Please encourage anyone that will be looking for a place in Reception class next year to come and visit our school. We will be open from 3:30-5:30pm for parents and carers to look around and ask any questions.

Secondary School applications

If you have a child born between 1 September 2013 - 31 Aug 2014, you must apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2024

If you live in Blackpool (pay council tax to Blackpool) apply online: www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The closing date for secondary applications is the 31 October 2024

It is important that all parents make their choice online by the deadline and that two choices are made, otherwise your child will be allocated a school with free spaces (which is often miles away!).

If you need help completing the application form, please call in at the office and we will be happy to assist you.

School Mass

Please come and join us at School Mass on Sunday 13th October at 11:30am. We absolutely love seeing you at church and Miss Mallinson adores hearing the voices of our children fill up the church. We have had a number of volunteers to read and readings will be coming home soon.





Shared Worship session

On Friday 27th September, we visited St John's Catholic Primary School in Poulton-le-Fylde for a shared worship session. We were joined by Christ The King, St Kentigern's, St Bernadette's, St Teresa's and St John Vianney. We were also joined by groups of older pupils and chaplains from St Mary's Catholic Academy, Blackpool and Cardinal Allen Catholic High School, Fleetwood. In total, there were more than fifty children and staff in attendance. A beautiful faith-filled morning.



Jubilee Gardens

Holy Family was invited to turn on the Jubilee Garden lights this year, as a thank you to our Student Council for working with the team at the Gardens last year. Jasmine Truelove-Smith represented our school as she switched the lights on. Do go and visit the Gardens, who put a lot of effort into making the space lovely all year round for the community.



Earrings

Following a rather upsetting incident with earrings last week, we must reinforce that our school uniform policy states that children should wear 'one pair of simple stud earrings only'. Please save your lovely party earrings for the weekends and holidays.

Dates for your diary coming up

- 3.10.24 – Y3 leading the Harvest Festival 2:15pm.
- 10.10.24 – Y2 class mass. ALL welcome
- 13.10.24- SUNDAY MASS at Holy Family Church 11am
- 15.10.24 – Year 3 trip to 'Bring 'yer wellies'.
- 18.10.24 – non uniform day £1
- Break up for half term at 3:15pm
- 28.10.24 - INSET day (no children in)
- 29.10.24 - Autumn 2 begins - children return
- 30.10.24 - Open afternoon for Reception 2025 (3:30-5:30pm)
- 31.10.24 - All Saints' Vigil Mass in church

Drop-off and Home time

A polite reminder that children should not be on either school trim trail outside of school hours and as such, we will not be held responsible for any accidents that may happen.

May we also request that parents are mindful of their language when on school grounds. Swearing is inappropriate in front of children.

Attendance

Well done to year 1 with the best attendance this half term so far.

98.7%

