



Newsletter – 17.3.25 Spring 2 week 4

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we journey on through Lent, we take time to stop, think and be grateful for all the blessings given to us by God.

## Mr Bodell

Mr Bodell would like to thank all the parents and children for all your kind words and generous gifts and cards. We had an emotional few days here at Holy Family saying goodbye to Mr Bodell, who has been a true joy to work with for all of us over the past 17 years. Enjoy your retirement Mr Bodell but please keep in touch!

Mr Hartley takes up the reins as our new site supervisor and we extend a warm welcome to him - see if you can spot him around school!

## Catholic Life of the School

Thanks to all of our parents that brought children over to stations of the cross last week and thanks go to year 5 for their fantastic job of leading us in worship.

Our Easter play is being performed by year 4 this Thursday at 2pm. Please could we ask that parents arrive before the time as late arrivals can be very off putting for the children.

We would love to see Easter Bonnets for the final BIG WALK on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> and we would like as many of you to join us as possible! We will set off as soon as registers have been collected so we would expect 9:10am at the latest. If you would like to join us, we ask you to wait for your child in the junior hall and then you may join their class as they begin to walk the route. Parents can then either exit from Leckhampton or pass around the building and exit via Seacrest. Gates will be open until we return and then locked shortly after. Your money donation will secure a ticket for an easter egg raffle later that day!

## Packed lunches

We are a nut free school here at Holy Family so encourage all families to check they are not sending any food in packed lunches that could be a risk to some of our pupils. However, we would also like parents just to consider whether some of the items in their child's packed lunch are a healthy option as we are seeing a rise in sweets being sent in lunches. Please could we ask that parents avoid this - a slight swap in a lunch box could also help prevent future dental issues.



## Big walks

Thank you all for supporting our Lenten promise to CAFOD and sending in your BIG WALK donations.

DATE	LAP	DISTANCE	
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	LAP	210km	LAUNCH DAY
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	LAP	210km	SPORTY GEAR
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	LAP	210km	Uniform with SNAZZY SOCKS – wear your craziest pair!
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	LAP 3	210km	Uniform with FANCY FOOTWEAR (BRING A CHOCOLATE EGG DONATION)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	LAP 4	210km	Non uniform - ITALIAN COLOURS
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 9am	LAP 6	210km	Easter Bonnets Parade <b>AND WE WANT YOU TO JOIN US!</b>
	TOTAL	1260 km	

Each week, please send in a small donation so that we can raise money for CAFOD, cash or a donation on MCAS is accepted. Every penny raised makes a difference.

### Dates for your diary coming up

- 3.4.25 - Y4 Easter play starts at 2pm.
- 8.4.25 - Easter bonnets and final BIG WALK
- 9.4.25 - Mr Waywell's last day
- Break up for Easter 1:30pm.**
- 22.4.25 - **Return to school**
- 1.5.25 - Year 3 Mass
- 5.5.25 - **BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY (NO SCHOOL)**
- 7.5.25 - Year 4 mini Olympics at St. Mary's
- 8.5.25 - Year 2 Class Mass @ 2:30pm
- 12.5.25 - Year 6 SATS week - ALL Y6 MUST BE IN.
- 15.5.25 - Year 1 Class Mass @ 2:30pm
- 19.5.25 - Sports Day (juniors am and infants pm)
- 20.5.25 - Reserve Sports day
- 21.5.25 - Our Lady Statue tour at Holy Family - school picnic
- 22.5.25 - Reception class Spiritual sing-a-long and blessing
- 23.5.25 - **Break up for half term 3:15pm**

### Advance warning!

Year 6 SATS will take place 12-16<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Year 1 will undertake the phonics screen during the week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> June.

Year 4 will undertake the multiplication check during the week beginning the 9<sup>th</sup> June.

**We kindly request that you avoid taking our child out of school in the lead up to or during these assessment windows.**

**Thank you.**



**Year 6 Residential**