



Newsletter – 18.9.23 Autumn 1 week 3

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our new starters!

A very warm welcome to our new families that have now come together as a class. They have settled in well and the EYFS team are excited to work with them all this year.

Admissions to Primary School- EYFS 2022

If you have a child, or you know anyone else with a child in the local area, who turns 4 between 1/9/23 and 31/8/24, this is the time to be applying for a primary school place for September 2024.

Open Day at Holy Family: Tuesday 17th October 2021 3:30-5:30pm

ALL Families WELCOME- Come and visit our Outstanding Early Years Setting and meet Holy Family Staff.

If you live in Blackpool (pay council tax to Blackpool)- **APPLY ON-LINE AT:** www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions

CLOSING DATES FOR APPLICATIONS – January 2024

APPLICATIONS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES FROM SEPT 2023

Using the same link above, but selecting secondary, you need to apply for high schools online to Blackpool, or to Lancashire (school choice dependent) Applications are now open; the deadline for applications to secondary schools is October 2023.

Mr Eccles will be coming to Holy Family today at 3:30pm to talk about admissions, please come along. St Mary's open day is on Monday 25th September (Year 6 parents and children invited). This is your opportunity to go and tour the school.

Pupil Premium

If your family is entitled to pupil premium funding, which includes free school meals, help with the cost of trips etc, please apply. <https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Residents/Education-and-schools/School-meals/Free-school-meals.aspx>

(If you receive: Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance, Employment and Support Allowance, the State Pension Credit, child Tax Credit - annual gross household income > £16,190 or Universal Credit, provided you have a **net** annual earned household income of no more that £7,400 (or £616.67 per month.)



Past pupil success

It is wonderful to hear that our past pupils have gone on to achieve success. Abinash attended Holy Family, leaving in 2016. He has earned A*AAA at A level and is now going to study mathematics at the University of St. Andrew's. Well done Abinash and good luck at St. Andrew's.



Mass

SUNDAY mass at Holy Family Church - 15th October at 11:30am. We would love to see you there and share in our worship. Miss Mallinson loves to have the children sit up in the choir loft with her and sing, and we also need some volunteers for readings.

NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please be aware that we have children in school with severe nut allergies and therefore have taken the decision to be a 'NUT FREE School'. Please support us by avoiding sending foods in school lunches that contain nuts. Thank you for helping us to keep our children safe.

Breakfast and After School Club

If you are considering using our breakfast and afterschool clubs, please sign up to: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/> This system entitles you to 20% towards the cost of any wrap around care you might need. Breakfast club is open from 7:45am and after school club runs until 5:30pm. Remember that you are welcome to use our clubs on an ad-hoc basis as we are aware that parents sometimes require one-off care. You will find the booking on system on parentpay.

Waterpark

Please be mindful that Waterpark is in January this year and therefore should be paid for over the next term. You can opt to pay in increments via parentpay.

Attendance

It is important that your child attend school every day if possible. There are times, however, that you might be uncertain whether children should be coming in to school. The NHS have devised a list that advises parents what do to in cases of common childhood illnesses: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> Definitely worth a look if you have any doubts.

Dates for your diary coming up – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

- 18.10.23 – St. Mary's visit at 3:30pm regarding secondary places.
- 21.9.23 – Y5 class mass ALL welcome
- 28.9.23 – Y4 class mass. ALL welcome
- 15.10.23 – SUNDAY MASS Holy Family Church 11:30am
- 5.10.23 – HARVEST assembly led by year 3 at 2:15pm. All welcome.
- 12.10.23 – Year 6 Drugs talk from the Police
- 15.10.23 – SCHOOL Mass at Holy Family Church 11:30am
- 18.10.23 – Year 4 class assembly – all welcome
- 20.10.23 – Non Uniform day (£1 on parentpay) and finish for half term at 3:30pm.

