

# NEWSLETTER "Seeing Christ in ourselves and others"



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w/e Friday 5th September, 2025

Welcome, Ласкаво просимо, добро пожаловать, Witamy, Sveiki, Bienvenido, Bienvenue, ยินดีต้อนรับ to our weekly newsletter.



## **Welcome Back**

We hope families have had a lovely Summer! It's been wonderful to have the children back in school this week.

We would particularly like to welcome children and families who have just joined Holy Family School and Nursery. We are really looking forward to sharing this academic year with everyone.

## **NEW Autumn Term After School Interest Clubs**

The first of our after school clubs will start next week. Places for children can be booked via 'Clubs' in My Child At School. Children who qualify for pupil premium funding are eligible for a part subsidised place, see below.

The sports club will take place outside. Please ensure that children bring sportswear and footwear suitable for outdoor training.

#### Y1 & Y2 Sports Club

with Sporting Futures
Tuesday 9/9/25 to Tuesday 9/12/25
3.30 pm to 4.30 pm
£48.75 per child

or

£35.75 per child using pupil premium funding.

If you would like your child to attend Sunset After School Club afterwards, please book a place via My Child At School and select S2 for session 2.



### New Term, New Uniform!

Please remember to add your child's name to ALL their clothing, coats, footwear, accessories and PE kit.

We understand these items are expensive and it will help us return belongings to your child.

#### **PE Lessons for Autum Term**

Any additional information about your child's PE lessons next term will be added to Class Dojo.

Reception Class - Wednesday & Thursday

Year 1 - Wednesday & Thursday

Year 2 - Tuesday & Thursday

Year 3 - Wednesday & Friday

Year 4 - Monday & Thursday

Year 5 - Monday & Wednesday

Year 6 - Tuesday & Thursday



## **Term Dates**

School closes for half term on

Thursday 23rd October, 2025 and reopens on

Monday 3rd November, 2025

Details of 2025 & 2026 term dates are available on our website. Click the calendar icon or see the documents section in My Child At School.



### **MEDICATION**

If your child needs prescribed medication to be administered in school, please ensure this is brought to the School Office along with the completed paperwork.



to pupils celebrating their birthday this week and next week.

Willow C

Oscar H Daisy R

Aidan P

Harry L

Gabrielle B

Penelope B

Sienna M

Finley G

George B

Edie P

## Tax Free Childcare Voucher Payments for Wraparound Care

Payments can be made from your tax free children care account towards your child's wraparound care.

Once you have sent a payment to Holy Family School, please email the school office with the details below so your payment can be allocated to your account.

Name of child
Amount paid
Reference number
The club/clubs the payment is for.

Please make sure you contact us with details as we don't receive notification from all providers that payments have been made. Please contact us with any questions.

## **School Meals**

Our current menu developed by BHCET Catering Team and full details are available on our website.

https://holyfamily.bhcet.org.uk/information/school-meals

The menu has also been added to the 'Important Documents' section of My Child At School.

Please contact us if your child would like to start school meals or change to packed lunches at any time.



## Wraparound Care Club Bookings

## **Important Notice**

To ensure your child is guaranteed a place at the wraparound care clubs, please ensure that children are booked in advance via My Child At School.

We can sometimes accommodate on the day bookings due to last minute requirements, but this should not be on a regular basis as these places can't be guaranteed.

Please make sure that regular payments are made to your child's accounts for sessions taken.

Thank you



## **Outings & Events**

## WE NEED YOUR PERMISSION! by Friday 12th September, 2025

Please can all parents/carers visit the Parental Consent section in My Child At School to give consent for children to be included in school trips for this academic year. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

## **Class Outings**

## Year 6 Residential Trip

Monday 8th September, 2025 We hope the class have a fantastic adventure.

## **Absence Due To Illness**

Please allow children to have 48 hours clear of any sickness, upset tummy or illness before they return to school. This will allow them to recover, start eating properly again and help to stop illness spreading. Please inform the school office by email or telephone of any illness before 9.10 am.



We have been sent some information from the Department for Education and Public Health to share with families.

Advice from Public Health states that everyone should have 2 MMR vaccinations. Vaccination history can be checked via your GP and catch-up doses are free at any age from your GP. The schedule has changed over the years so it is worth checking as people may think they are protected, but they are not. Priority will be given to the childhood vaccination schedule, but GPs will have access to sufficient stock to arrange adult appointments.

## Protecting children from measles

The MMR vaccine is the safest and most effective way to protect children and staff against measles, mumps and rubella.

Getting the MMR vaccine not only protects the vaccinated child, but also unborn babies, infants who are too young to have the vaccine, and children and adults who can't have the vaccine because they have weakened immune systems.

Please see below the UKHSA's latest materials about measles, which are official government guidance, developed by immunisation experts.

UKHSA blog: What is measles and why is it so important we are all up to date with our MMR vaccine?

UKHSA communications toolkit: <u>Measles - Google Drive</u>. This document contains important information about measles, communications messaging, and materials including social media resources that settings may wish to refer to and share with parents or carers where appropriate.

The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) also recently issued a press release to advise parents and caregivers to stop all use of a specific brand of kids' magnesium gummies, due to the presence of an undeclared prescription-only medicine.

Parents and caregivers who have purchased 'Nutrition Ignition Kids Magnesium Glycinate Gummies' should stop giving them to children and safely dispose of any remaining product.

It is recommended that advice be sought from a healthcare professional if a child has any side effects that are of concern.

The full press release with further details can be read HERE.



## Year 7 Admission September 2026

An opening evening for prospective parents/carers and Year 6 pupils is being held on

Monday 15th September, 2025 at 5.30 pm.

This will be a great opportunity for families to meet staff, tour the College and ask any questions about admissions and life at Carmel College.