



# NEWSLETTER

*"Seeing Christ in ourselves and others"*



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w/e Friday 8th November, 2024

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

## Term Dates

School closes for Christmas on  
**Friday 20th December, 2024**

and reopens on

**Monday 6th January, 2025**

Details of 2024, 2025 & 2026 term dates are available on our website. Click the calendar icon or see the documents section in My Child At School.



## PE Lessons for this term are as follows:-

**Reception Class** - Tuesday & Friday

**Year 1** - Wednesday & Thursday

**Year 2** - Wednesday & Friday

**Year 3** - Monday & Wednesday

**Year 4** - Tuesday & Wednesday

**Year 5** - Tuesday & Wednesday (Swimming)

**Year 6** - Monday & Thursday



## HOLY FAMILY OPEN EVENT

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00am - 12.00pm

*Why come to our open event?*

- ✓ Experience our welcoming atmosphere
- ✓ Chat with our passionate educators
- ✓ Tour our modern classrooms
- ✓ Find out about our enrichment opportunities
- ✓ Meet our supportive school family

**Holy Family Catholic Primary School**  
Prior Street, Darlington, County Durham DL3 9EN



## APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

**APPLY NOW FOR A PLACE  
AT HOLY FAMILY, DARLINGTON**

[www.darlington.gov.uk/education-and-learning/  
school-years/admissions/apply-online](http://www.darlington.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-years/admissions/apply-online)



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Catholic Education Trust

Are you, your family or friends applying for a school place for September 2025 or looking for a Nursery place? Come along to our **Open Event, this Saturday!**

This will be a great opportunity to look around our wonderful school and nursery, speak with staff and ask any questions. We can't wait to welcome everyone!



## In November We Remember

We have a lovely Remembrance display inside and outside school. In support of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, poppy themed items will continue to be available in school on Monday, if any children would still like one.

# Happy Birthday

to pupils celebrating their birthday during the next week.

Oscar PF

Amelie R

Noah C

Emily C

Alexander P

Bella D

## School Photographs - Tuesday 12th November, 2024



Tempest Photographers will be in school to take photographs of the children on Tuesday. Children will have an individual photo taken during the school day. Any children who have siblings in school will also automatically have their photograph taken together, unless you inform us otherwise. Families are also welcome to have photographs of pupils with pre-school siblings, these will be available from 8.45 am until 9.15 am in the school hall.

## Progress Meetings



We would like to invite you to come into school to discuss your child's progress. On arrival for your appointment, your child's books will also be available for you to look through some of the wonderful work your child has been doing this term. Below are details of the meeting dates for each class. Appointments are being held during the day from 8.45 am until 5.15 pm and can be booked in the **Parents Evening** section of **My Child At School**. Please could we urge you to try and come along.

### *Meetings will be held as follows:-*

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November, 2024	-	Year 4
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November, 2024	-	Year 6
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November, 2024	-	Year 3
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November, 2024	-	Year 2
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November, 2024	-	Year 1
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November, 2024	-	Reception Class
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November, 2024	-	Year 5



If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

## Attendance Stars

The Class with the best weekly attendance will be rewarded with an additional activity.

This week's Attendance Stars  
are

**Year 2**  
**Congratulations!**

## Plastic Bottle Lids



Please continue to send in donations of plastic bottle lids ... just the lids! They can be any size and any colour. Thank you!

## Sunset After School Club

To avoid late collection charges, please can children be collected from Sunset After School club by 5.30 pm at the latest.



## 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. Thank you



**Laudato Leaders**  
Our new Laudato Leaders, would be very grateful for donations of small plants or plant cuttings.



### Year 5 Class Liturgy - Save The Date

Year 5 would like to invite families to attend their class liturgy in the hall on Friday 29th November, 2024 at 3.00 pm



### Christmas Fundraising Appeal

We are arranging a Christmas fundraising event to help us replace the well loved books in school.



We would be very grateful for donations of raffle prizes, mince pies and unwanted gifts for tombola prizes. We would also be grateful for donations of any Christmas themed items, cakes, sweets and mince pies. More information to follow.

### Horrible Histories Appeal

We would like to appeal for donations of any Horrible Histories books in good condition, as the ones we currently have in school are really used. Please send any books to school with your child or to the school office. Thank you.



## Mayor's Song Contest

This week it was a privilege to welcome the Mayor and Mayoress of Darlington to Holy Family School. It is tradition that the winners of the last song contest host the song choosing for the next event. Some members of our winning choir helped with the selection process. The songs and school names were added to two boxes, the Mayor picked the school, then the children picked a song title. This then determined which school performs which song. The children had a wonderful afternoon and were very honoured to be part of the process.

