



NEWSLETTER

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w/e Friday 19th September, 2025

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

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.



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



After School Clubs

We would like to apologise for any confusion regarding collection locations. Please see below details of where to collect your child at the end of the after school clubs.

Clubs for children in Year 1 & Year 2

Please collect from the main school entrance

Clubs for children in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6

Please collect from the playground entrance

Sunset after school club

Please collect from the main school entrance.

COME FOR COFFEE
IT'S FOR MACMILLAN

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Friday 26th September, 2025

Please come along, everyone welcome!

Year 6 would like to invite all families to attend a fundraising coffee afternoon **from 2.30 pm to 3.15 pm** in the school hall.

Children would be very grateful for donations of cakes to sell at the event, these can be sent to school on the day or to the school office.



Welcome Mass



All families are invited to attend a whole school Mass taking place at 9.30 am on Tuesday 7th October, 2025 in Holy Family Church.

The Mass will be celebrating all pupils and families who have recently joined Holy Family School. Please join us!



Flu Vaccination

The school age immunisation service will be in school on **Monday 20th October, 2025** to administer the flu vaccine to pupils in YR to Y6. **If you would like your child to have the vaccine, please visit link below to give consent and find out more information.**

<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/90b10c79>

A letter has also been emailed to parents giving further information. Please look out for it in your inbox or junk folder.



Happy Birthday

to pupils celebrating their birthday during the next week.

Michaelina M Liam G William S Heavenya P Kaden S
Jackson K Kenny T

Attendance Guidance

PLEASE REMEMBER! - Stricter guidance was introduced in August 2024 for schools and local authorities, with more fines and sanctions imposed for unauthorised or unexplained absence and poor attendance.



Holidays During Term Time Will Not Be Authorised

Term time absence can have a real impact on a child's learning and we would really like to discourage children missing school for such occasions.

Outings & Events

URGENT

WE NEED YOUR PERMISSION!

As we are now starting to organise outings and events, 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 and for this academic year.



Reception Class & Year 6

Information has been emailed to parents and carers of children in Reception Class and Year 6, regarding the National Childhood Measurement Programme (NCMP) and vision screening.

If you are happy for your child to be included, you do not need to do anything. However if you wish to opt out please see the letter attached to the email for further information on how to do this.

Tax Free Childcare Vouchers

To pay for wraparound care from your tax free child care account, please send your payment to Holy Family and then email the school office with the following details. so the payment can be allocated to your account.

Name of child

Date paid

Amount paid

Reference number

The club/clubs the payment is for.

Please make sure you contact us, as we don't receive notification from all providers that payments have been made. Thank you!

My Child At School Accounts Arrears



Please could we ask that regular payments are made to your child's account for their school meals and wraparound care clubs.

We understand that advance bookings for wraparound care creates an outstanding balance, however please make ensure regular payments are made for sessions used. Thank you!

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.



Special Menu Day

We are serving a different menu on Thursday 2/10/25. If your child usually brings a packed lunch but would like to have the special menu, children can order in class on the day. The cost of the meal for children in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 is £2.75 which can be paid via My Child At School. Children in YR, Y1 & Y2 will receive this free of charge with Universal Infant Free School Meals. Please contact us with any questions.



Working For Our Community

Well done to one of our pupils in Year 5 who decided to conduct a litter pick outside our school in his own time.



Holy Family School

Special Menu



Thursday 2nd October, 2025

Hot Dog

Pork Sausage or Vegetarian Sausage served with Sweetcorn and Potato Wedges



Jacket Potato

served with Cheese and/or Beans



Dessert

Fairy Cake, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt



Carmel

Christmas Food and Craft Fayre

Thursday 6th November 2025

6.00pm-8.30pm

Carmel College
The Headlands, Darlington,
Co. Durham, DL3 8RW



TICKET PRICES

£3.50 - Adults | £3.00 - Concession | Under 16's free

Ticket price includes a complimentary glass of wine or soft drink

APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

APPLY NOW FOR A PLACE
AT HOLY FAMILY, DARLINGTON

www.darlington.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-years/admissions/apply-online



Sports Events



Cross Country Event—25/9/25

Further information will be sent to families of children competing.