



NEWSLETTER

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w/e Friday 26th 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



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



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!

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.



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.

Klaudia F

George L

Joshua L

Elijah G

My Child At School



New Update

We have been advised that a new update of the My Child At School app is now available for parents.

To ensure that all features are working correctly, please update to the new version.

Outings & Events

Monday 13th October, 2025
Y4 Trip to Sedgedunum Fort

Further information has been sent to families by email



School Photographs

Tuesday 11th November, 2025



Tempest Photographers will be in school to take photographs of the children on Tuesday 11th November, 2025. 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.

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.

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.

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.



Sports Events



Football Match—2/10/25
St Augustine's School
Information will be sent to the Team.



VACANCIES



We currently have a vacancy for a school Cleaner, 10 hours per week. The closing date for applications is midday on Wednesday 8th October, 2025. Full details are available on our website, link below.

<https://holyfamily.bhcet.org.uk/vacancies>

Scripture Club

Two pupils from Year 6 have started a wonderful Scripture Club every Friday lunchtime for children in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6. During the club the children read and talk about scripture, how it makes them feel and how it links to their daily lives. At their last session they also made and decorated some lovely bookmarks. All children in KS2 are welcome to attend.



APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

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AT HOLY FAMILY, DARLINGTON

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



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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