



# NEWSLETTER

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w/e Friday 15th 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



## **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)



## School Places for 2025

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Open Event last weekend, it was lovely to welcome families to look around our school facilities and outdoor areas.

If your, your family or friends were unable to attend or would like to revisit us during the school day, please contact the school office.

## Progress Meetings



We are looking forward to welcoming you to discuss your child's progress. On arrival for your appointment, your child's books be available for you to look through to see some of their wonderful work from this term.

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. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

### *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

## Year 4 First Holy Communion Programme

Dates for the 2024/2025 First Holy Communion programme are also available on the school website, link below.

<https://holyfamily.bhcet.org.uk/catholic-life/first-holy-communion>



# Happy Birthday

to pupils celebrating their birthday during the next week.

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## Y6 Stay & Make with Grandparents

Year 6 would like to invite Grandparents to a stay and make session on Monday 9th December, 2024 at 2.30 pm until 3.30 pm

## Pupil Performance

We are very proud to share that Ellen in Year 3, has been cast as 'The Star' in Nativity The Musical at The Grand Opera House in York. Ellen's performances include Friday 22/11, Saturday 23/11 at 7.30 pm and Sunday 24/11 at 2.30 pm. Tickets available directly from the Theatre. Break A Leg Ellen. We can't wait to hear all about it



## School Photographs Tuesday 12th November, 2024

Tempest Photographers came into school on Tuesday. The photograph proofs and details about how to order have been sent home with the children. Please place any orders directly with the photographer.



## Plastic Bottle Lids



Thank you for the donations we have received so far. Please continue to send in any plastic bottle caps or lids ... just the lids! They can be any size and any colour. Thank you!

## Sunset After School Club— REMINDER!

### LATE CHARGES

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



## 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



In Support of the BBC Children in Need appeal, children and staff have come to school wearing spotty clothing and accessories. If families would like to donate to the appeal, the link below is to the official website.

<https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>



## 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.



## 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!**

## 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





Well done to our incredible Year 6 Basketball Team who competed against other local schools in an event at the Dolphin Centre.

The team had a great time, played brilliantly and came second. Each of them received a silver medal and a team certificate.



**HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**



# Christmas Fair



**Tuesday 10th December, 2024**

**3.30 pm to 4.30 pm**

All school families welcome

**Stalls, Games & Refreshments**



**School Hall**



Fundraising towards new books for school

## Christmas Fair Donations

We would like to invite all school and nursery families to our after school Christmas Fair which is being organised by school staff.

We would be very grateful for donations of:-

- Raffle & Tombola Prizes.
- Sweets.
- Cakes, Cookies/Biscuits, Mince Pies
- Good quality books.
- Bottles of anything such as, wine, water, shampoo, juice etc.
- Unwanted gift & bottle bags.

Items can be sent to school with your child or dropped off at the school office.

## Christmas Lunch

**on Wednesday 11/12/24**

The Christmas lunch menu will be served in school on Wednesday 11/11/24 and will be available for all children.

For children in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 the cost is £2.20. There is no charge for children entitled to free school meals and children in Reception Class, Y1 and Y2, as they qualify for Universal Infant Free School Meals.

More details to follow.

## Dates For Your Diary!

### Christmas Productions

Reception Class  
On Thursday 12/12/24 at 2.15 pm

Year 1 & Year 2  
on Tuesday 17/12/24 at 2.00 pm

Year 3 & Year 4 Production  
on Thursday 19/12/24 at 2.00 pm

Year 5 & Year 6 Christmas Liturgy  
on Friday 20/12/24 at 2.30 pm

More details to follow!