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Holy Family Weekly Newsletter 12.1.2024

We follow in Jesus' footsteps

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Star of the Week Awards
YR – Husna & Grace
Y1 – Shaquille & Raluca
Y2 – Daniel & Nathan
Y3 – Grace & Lilly
Y4 – Millie & Marysia
Y5 – William & Leo
Y6 – Karol & Kyle

Welcome back to the "normal" routine! The children, as always, have returned to school happily and have been keen to share their Christmas news.

On Tuesday our whole school prayer and liturgy was all about the Feast of the Epiphany – a celebration of the visit of the Wise Men to see the new baby Jesus. We talked about how we all have gifts and talents and how these are our gifts that we should use.

Good Samaritan Awards
YR – Helena
Y1 – George
Y2 – Natalia
Y3 – Esme
Y4 – Ellis
Y5 – Reece
Y6 – Laura

NEXT WEEK - THE IMPORTANCE OF WEARING A FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM

At Holy Family school we believe that wearing a full school uniform means that all children wear the same clothing alongside sensible shoes, helping to level out the playing field. This removes any preconceived ideas about what to wear, allowing for greater group cohesion and commonality. As a result, uniforms demonstrate a clear message of equality.

Wearing a school uniform encourages children to learn the importance of dressing for success and are thought to contribute in a positive way to their attitude and behaviour in school.

It is an important message to children that rules are there to be followed.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL CHILDREN WEAR OUR FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM, SENSIBLE SHOES AND HAIRSTYLE. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT RULE OF OUR SCHOOL.

THANK YOU PARENTS FOR YOUR SUPPORT WITH THIS.

ATTENDANCE

This week:

Reception – 100%, Year 1 – 80.8%, Year 2 – 93.6%, Year 3 – 91.2%, Year 4 – 95.8%, Year 5 – 91.5%, Year 6 – 99.2%

Our school attendance target is 96% but pupils should strive for 100% attendance wherever possible. **Holidays during term time will not be authorised**. When a child is absent, unauthorised, for 5 days or more a penalty notice will be issued by Lancashire County Council.

If you child is unwell or is going to be absent from school for any reason please telephone the school office on 01772 727471 and leave a voicemail on the absence reporting line, option 1, before 9am.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 15th January 2024 – Primary School Admissions Deadline
https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-online-for-a-school-place/

Thurday 8th February – Scholastic Book Fair @3:15pm

Friday 9th February 2024 – Half term - school closes at 3.20 pm

Monday 19th February 2024 - INSET DAY - pupils at home

Tuesday 20th February 2024 - All pupils return to school

Tuesday 20th February 2024 - Scholastic Book Fair @3:15pm

Tuesday 26th March 2024 – Year 2 Lent Assembly @ 9am

Wednesday 27th March 2024 – Year 4 Lent Assembly @ 9am

Thursday 28th March – Year 5 Lent Assembly @ 9am

Thursday 28th March 2024 End of term - school closes at 1.15 pm

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR BREAKFAST CLUB

For Safeguarding reasons we are making a change to the way children come into school for Breakfast Club. Your support would be very much appreciated.

Children attending Breakfast Club should enter school through the Library which is where they sit to have breakfast. This can be found by going to the right and round the back of the school building.

Parents are reminded please do not use the staff car park for drop off or pick up under any circumstances. Please park on the Church car park and walk your child to the appropriate entrance.

Thank you.

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UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) are reminding parents of back to school advice amid rising levels of winter illness.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukhsa-reminds-parents-of-back-to-school-advice?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=d2897b05-876e-4b17-96d6-0a01fa2e1827&utm_content=daily