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Holy Family Weekly Newsletter 9.9.2022

We follow in Jesus' footsteps

Holy Family Church
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God Bless our lovely Queen Elizabeth.



It is with great sadness that we learned yesterday evening of the passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. The children and staff gathered this morning to pray for Queen Elizabeth and for her family at this very difficult time.

As we observe a period of national mourning, as a school community, we invite you to contribute to our Book of Condolence. This will be kept in our School Entrance from Monday and once the period of national mourning ends, will be sent to His Majesty the King at Buckingham Palace.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord
And let perpetual light shine upon her
May she rest in peace
Amen

Please also pray for King Charles.



Star Awards

YR - Whole Class!

Y1 - Jett & Julia

Y2 - Amayah & Bernick

Y3 - Aron & Kacy-Leigh

Y4 - Millie & Peter

Y5 - Kourtney & Sam

Y6 - Jack & Ezrine



Good Samaritan Awards

YR - Whole Class!

Y1 - Kal-El

Y2 - Rachael

Y3 - Esme

Y4 - Arthur

Y5 - Hanna

Y6 - Buena

We have all been impressed with all of the children this week and especially our Reception children who have managed their first full week in school. Very well done! We are also pleased that the great majority of our pupils are arriving to school on time.

The doors close at 9.50am.

Year 6 parents information:

The arrangements for the transfer of pupils to secondary schools in September 2023 will, as far as possible, conform to the following timetable:

1 September 2022 - Apply from this date

School places are not allocated on a first come, first served basis. All applications received up to the closing date are given equal priority, but if you miss the deadline, a late application may reduce your chance of getting your preference of school.

31 October 2022 - National closing date for secondary applications (statutory).

During this period all applications are processed and all preferences are considered against the published admissions policy. Where there are more applications than places available, decisions are made as to which children should be offered the available places. We will liaise and exchange information with all other admission authorities including neighbouring local authorities. The allocation and offer of a secondary school place is finalised.

1 March 2023 - Offers issued to parents

Free School Meals

If you are in receipt of certain benefits, you may be able to claim Pupil Premium which will qualify your child to receive **Free School Meals and Free Infant Milk**. If you think you may be eligible please let the office know or complete the [Lancashire County Council application form](#) to check.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 16 September 2022	Children's photograph day
Monday 3 October 2022	After School Club Closed for Staff training
Friday 21 October 2022	Half-term - school closes at 3.20 pm
Monday 31 October 2022	All pupils return to school
Monday 31 October 2022	High School Admissions Application Deadline
Friday 25 November 2022	INSET DAY - pupils at home (Curriculum)
Friday 16 December 2022	End of term - school closes at 1.00 pm

HEALTH & SAFETY

- BIKES

- If your child rides their bike or scooter to school please ensure it is parked up properly in the bike store area.

- AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

- **booking must be done at least a day in advance via SCOPAY.** We need to know in advance how many children will be attending to ensure we have sufficient staff. Thank you

- OUR STAFF CAR PARK

- This is a polite reminder that this is **only for staff, at all times of the day**, including before and after school.