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## Holy Family Weekly Newsletter 02.10.2020

### We follow in Jesus' footsteps

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#### Harvest Assembly

"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink."

Matthew 25

Monday's assembly will be our Harvest assembly - a time when we celebrate the fruits of the earth and all that God provides for us. Please can you send in a tin/pasta with your child so that this may be given to the Food Bank for those who need support. Amazingly Year Two children already have quite a collection in their classroom - many thanks and great remembering children! Our Family Fast Day will be on Monday.

#### Things to celebrate!

The generous response to our Harvest collection.  
Children and parents sticking to the rules of our school so that everyone keeps safe.



#### Read, read, read!

Please encourage your children to read seven days a week, as much as possible - it really does make a difference. You could read with your children or encourage them to read by themselves if they are confident readers.

#### National Poetry Day - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Yesterday we took part in National Poetry day. Please see the blog post on our website for further information.



#### Star Awards

- YR - Amelia & Lilly
- Y1 - Lizzy & Scarlett
- Y2 - Kye & Maja
- Y3 - Latiya & Ahmad
- Y4 - Filip & Michael
- Y5 - Sarah & Sky
- Y6 - Hannah & Caitlyn



#### Good Samaritan Awards

- YR - Rachael
- Y1 - Filip
- Y2 - Olivia
- Y3 - Poppy
- Y4 - Grace
- Y5 - Jack
- Y6 - Julia

### After School Club Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Unfortunately After school club will be closed on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October for essential staff training. Apologies for the inconvenience.

If you would like your child to start attending after school club please talk to Ms Shelts. There are two sessions that you can book into - until 4pm and the cost is £3.00 or the full session which lasts until 5.45pm and costs £6.50

### Pick up time

We have received a report that one of our younger pupils was really scared by two big dogs who were waiting just outside the school gates. If you have a dog with you, please could you stand to the side. Many thanks.

### Keeping Warm

As we approach winter and the weather has started to turn colder we have the dilemma that we need to keep the school well ventilated, with windows open in classrooms with the need to keep warm. If your child feels the cold quickly you may wish for them to wear a vest under their uniform. The vest must be white and no part should be visible around the collar or sleeves.

### Late to school

If your child arrives after 8.50 am, they will be marked as late on the register. However they may still enter the classroom via the individual class doors until 9.15 am. After 9.15 a.m., when the main gate closes, all pupils must go via the main reception. If they arrive after 9.30 a.m. they will be marked as 'late after registers have closed' and this means that the session will be recorded as absent from school. Collection at the end of the day is 3.10, however the infants may be allowed to leave their classrooms from 3pm if a parent is there to collect.

### Reception Class

As we come to the end of the month of September we just wanted to celebrate the amazing start to their time at Holy Family the children have made. They are so happy and settled in their new setting and even in these strangest of times are so eager to learn, make friends and engage in the many activities. We are very proud of each and every one of them, as I am sure you are.

### Tempest Photographs

Please order the Tempest photographs online, this is the fastest and safest way to order.

### New mobile or email address?

Please let school know if your mobile or email address has changed.

Thank you to all our parents/carers for wearing masks on school premises. We hope that this will stop the spread of coronavirus, that we know is in the community.

### Coronavirus update - important information

You must self-isolate immediately if:

you have any symptoms of coronavirus (a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste)

- you live with someone who has symptoms or tested positive
- someone in your support bubble has symptoms or tested positive

If one person has any of the above symptoms then all the household must self isolate. The person with the symptoms must get tested and isolate for 10 days. The others must isolate for 14 days and only get tested if they show symptoms. Further advice can be found at NHS website or by phoning 119

**If a child has COVID-19 symptoms, gets tested and tests negative, can they return to school even if they still have symptoms?**

If the child is NOT a known contact of a confirmed case the child can return to school if the result is negative, provided they have been fever free for 48 hours and feel well.

If the child is a contact of a confirmed case they must stay off school for the 14 day isolation period, even if they test negative. This is because they can develop the infection at any point up to day 14 (the incubation period for COVID-19), so if a child tests negative on day 3 they may still go on to develop the infection.

**If a child who was a contact of a confirmed case tests negative, can they return to school?**

No, the child should complete 14 days of isolation.

**Does a child who was identified as a contact need to have a negative test before they can return to school?**

No

**If confirmation of laboratory diagnosis is delayed (failure to get a test appointment within 3 days of developing symptoms) the following actions should be followed:** This symptomatic child/staff member needs self isolate for 10 days. Siblings from the same household should self isolate for 14 days. Any other household contacts should self-isolate for 14 days

**Please contact Ms Shelts for advice about returning to school.**