
Newsletter

10th October 2017



Welcome

There has been so much learning happening across our school, we can't fit it all on this newsletter so make sure you follow us on Twitter to find out all the things happening in each class.

In EYFS we have been learning about Baptism and re-enacting the steps of this sacrament. We have also counted amounts and combined groups of objects to find the total. We have read the story of 'Owl Babies' and have been exploring the vocabulary from the story. We are looking forward to lots more Owl themed activities next week.

Y1 and Y2 have been discussing Bonfire Night and writing some amazing descriptive poetry. In History, we have looked at what life was like for our grandparents and had a great time when we invited them in to talk to the children. In Come and See we have explored Baptism, role playing and learning about the signs and symbols. We have been learning about and applying addition and subtraction skills in Maths.

In Y3 and 4 we have been making marvellous medicine (just like George in our story) and writing our own instructions. We have been practising and developing our addition and subtraction skills in maths. We have all thoroughly enjoyed Active Maths – it is keeping us fit while we master our maths skills. We will be developing our mapping skills in geography and studying light in science next week.

In year 5 and 6 we are discovering more about just how unfortunate the poor Baudelaire children are, in our novel 'The Bad Beginning' whilst developing our writing skills in a range of genres including letters, diaries and narrative work. Both year groups are refining their calculation skills in multiplication and division and are consolidating their understanding of multiples, factors, square and prime numbers. In our current Come and See lessons, we are looking at sacraments: marriage in year 5 and ordination in year 6. We are continuing to discover what life was like in Anglo Saxon times and we are about to begin a new science topic about Earth and Space.

In our 'Get Set for Life' lessons, this term our topic is about 'getting on and falling out.' Pupils are focusing on their emotions, especially anger, and learning strategies to stay calm. The pupils will focus on peaceful problem solving and conflict resolution.

We also had inspectors from the Archdiocese of Liverpool visit for the day to inspect the Catholic Life of our school, Collective Worship and Religious Education. They made lots of positive comments to make and when the report has been published, copies will be available for all families.

Code of conduct

Conduct of all visitors on the school grounds must support a peaceful, safe environment. Any of the following **will not be tolerated** and will result in dismissal from the grounds:

- *Disruptive behaviour or disorderly conduct which interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of the school*
- *Use of loud/or offensive language, shouting, swearing, cursing, using profane language, attempting to physically intimidate, use of aggressive hand gestures or displaying temper.*
- *Threatening to harm a member of school staff, visitor, fellow parent/carer or pupil regardless of whether or not the behaviour constitutes a criminal offence.*
- *Damaging or destroying school property.*
- *The use of physical aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physical punishment against your own child on school premises.*
- *Approaching someone else's child in order to discuss or chastise them because of their actions towards your own children.*
- *Smoking and consumption of alcohol or illegal drugs on school premises.*
- *Dogs being brought on to school premises with the exception of assistance dogs.*

Permission slips, contact information

Thank you to those who have returned paperwork promptly. All children must have written permission to leave school, verbal consent cannot be accepted. Also, contact information, including emergency telephone numbers are essential to ensure your child's safety. Please make sure we have your up to date contact details and those of another adult, to use in case of emergency.

Website & Twitter

Check our school website for key information: www.holy-family.co.uk

All classes now have their own Twitter account. Keep up to date with the learning taking place in your child's class and across the school.

Classes		Other	
@HolyFamilyL8_EY	Miss McGhee, Mrs Bowes, Miss Crawford	@HolyFamilyL8	Mrs Davidson (Head)
@HolyFamilyL8_1D	Ms Dohren	@HolyFamilyL8_DH	Mrs Snell (Deputy)
@HolyFamilyL8_12	Miss McClelland	@HolyFamilyL8_P SHE	Mrs Clein
@HolyFamilyL8_2H	Miss Holme	@HolyFamilyL8_mu	Mrs Delve (formerly Miss Evans)
@HolyFamilyL8_3L	Miss Lacey		
@HolyFamilyL8_34	Mrs Radford		
@HolyFamilyL8_4L	Miss Lawne		
@HolyFamilyL8_5D	Mrs Doherty		
@HolyFamilyL8_5T	Miss Toal		
@HolyFamilyL8_6R	Mr Ross		
@HolyFamilyL8_6Y	Mrs Young		

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club daily 8-8.45am - various board games, art and craft, pool, table football, reading area.

Family Room: lots of new experiences for our little ones in Stay and Play, this term we are concentrating on science experiments!

Lots of new courses this month: Get Fit Get Active, Yoga, English, Art and Craft, Photography and of course our Freebie Friday for help and advice, uniforms, food packages - open to all.

School uniform

- School uniform remains the same however for PE children may wear **black shorts and plain white t-shirt**. Purple, logoed t-shirts are not necessary. Also, children can wear trainers for PE but must remove them for the rest of the day.
- There are a number of girls wearing hooped earrings for school - these are banned for safety reasons. Only small studs may be worn. You will be required to come and remove hooped earrings if they are worn to school.

Safeguarding

- Please consider the safety of all children when parking around the school. It is safer to park and walk a short distance rather than an accident happening due to careless driving/parking.
- **Children who arrive late to school will need to be escorted and signed in by an adult. Arrival after registers close (9.30am) will be recorded as an absence. Please ensure children are in on time.**

Dates for your diary:

14.11.17	Sacramental preparation session 3 – school hall at 3.30pm
23.11.17	Service of Reconciliation (whole school) – Our Lady Mount Carmel church – 11am
4.12.17	Y5 Yuletide Rock rehearsal – Liverpool Cathedral
8.12.17	Y6 height and weight survey
15.12.17	Christmas Fair (pm)
19.12.17	END OF TERM – Christmas holiday
4.1.18	Spring term starts

Dates for Christmas activities will be sent out separately

