



Holy Cross Catholic Primary School

'We share in Christ's life so He can guide our thoughts, words and actions'



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Newsletter No.28

Dear Parents,

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Dates for your diary - April		
Friday 11 th April		Break up for Easter Holidays
Monday 28 th April		New Principal – Miss T. Cotter assumes her role
Monday 28 th April		Please wear summer uniforms
Dates for your diary - May		
Thursday 1 st May		Mass in church
Wednesday 7 th May	7.30pm	PTA meeting – all welcome
Friday 9 th May	9.15am	Year Five class assembly
Monday 12 th May		Year Six SATs week
Thursday 22 nd May	All day	School closed – Local Elections
Friday 23 rd May	9.15am	Year One class assembly

Our Easter Production 'Amazing Love'

Key Stage 2 told the most important story of our faith on Tuesday. Thank you children for your respectful behaviour and for sharing your amazing singing and acting. We were truly blessed to witness your talents. There was such a moving atmosphere in the hall as you reminded us of Christ's sacrifice for us. Thank you also to our KS2 staff for working so hard and for bringing out the best in our children.

Music Lesson Vacancies

We have vacancies in our woodwind lessons. So if your child would like to learn how to play the flute, saxophone or the clarinet please contact the school office. Thank you.

Early Years and Year One Talent Show

Well done children, everyone thoroughly enjoyed seeing your many skills and talents.

Tea with the Principal

It's a hard life leading a school. Today the Chair of our Academy Committee and I have met with a lovely group of children and eaten lots of cakes! The children joined us for afternoon tea because they have been working hard to improve their work or because their behaviour has reflected the mission of our school. Well done children, it was a pleasure to be in your company and to hear and see how hard you have been working to improve.

Bingo Night

The Bingo Night was a huge success, the fantastic amount of £395.50 was raised. Many thanks to all that helped organise this popular event.

Request from PTA

The PTA would like to ask if any parent has a small chest freezer they would like to donate. This would be a great help with summer events. If so please contact the office, thank you.

Blessing of Miss Crowley's Car

The children experienced a relatively unusual occurrence today when Fr. Neil blessed Miss Crowley's new car. The ceremony is taken from 'The Book of Blessings' and is still common around the world. So we wish Miss Crowley and her car 'Benji' a safe a reliable life together!

School Uniform

The Parent Council met last Friday and one outcome of the meeting was that it appears some parents are having difficulty locating the 'School Uniform' link on our website. We acknowledge that this link needs to be more easily accessible and will change it in due course. In the meantime please follow the following instructions:

Click on

'School Information'

'School Prospectus'

'School Uniform'

You can then access the Mapac uniform site directly.

'Love and Logic' Approach to Parenting

Please see the information attached to today's letter which is advertising a parenting course offered through 'Our place Community Hub'. As a subscribing school you have the opportunity to attend this course for the small cost of £1.50 per session.

Easter Bonnets and Decorated Eggs

We had some fantastic entries, thank you to all families who worked together to enter the competitions. Prizes were awarded for original ideas and for those entries where it was obvious that children had had significant input. The winners were:

Reception: Finbarr M, Scarlett T **Year 1:** Cassandra G, James M **Year 2:** Charlie B, Abigail E **Year 3:** Annie D, Jake W **Year 4:** Michael B, Ellie-Jo L, Extra prize for creative thinking James N-C **Year 5:** Ellie M, Julia Z **Year 6:** Alfie L, Grace C. Well done to everyone who entered.

Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 6 with 98.15%. Well done.

Recommendations: Reception: Whole of Reception class **Year 1:** Enya B **Year 2:** Eva P, Lillimae G **Year 3:** Whole of Year 3, Clark T, Pierce B **Year 4:** Ashlee H, Sam K **Year 5:** Calum T, Louise A, George H **Year 6:** Whole of Year 6.

Super Scribes: Reception: Orlaith F **Year 1:** Thomas S **Year 2:** William H **Year 3:** Annie D **Year 4:** Joseph L **Year 6:** Spencer W.

Creative Arts Award: Key Stage 2 for performance in Easter Production.

Lunchtime Award: Whole of Year 6.

Top Table: Orlaith F, Spencer W, Enya B, Calum T, Millie C, Patrick S, Clark T and Pierce B.

Have a very happy and holy Easter break.

I. Gallagher

Ian Gallagher

(Acting Principal) and the staff team

Dear Lord,

As we remember your triumphant journey into Jerusalem, let us not turn our backs on you in the coming days, weeks, months and years as the rejoicing crowd did after that day! Help us to stay on our journey with you through Holy Week and thereafter. Keep us ever faithful to our commitment to spend more time with you. Amen



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