

Newsletter No 17

Dear Parents/Person with Parental Responsibility

Friday 20 January 2023



I hope you received and enjoyed reading our Ofsted report that was sent out today. As stated in the letter I am very proud of our Holy Cross team who work so hard in ensuring all children receive the best possible opportunities and support. Thank you to the parents who completed the questionnaires, they were so supportive and positive - we are all part of a great team; the Holy Cross family!



Water Safety- We are blessed to have such a lovely nature area at the back of our school including Stephens Pond. We encourage all families to enjoy these areas but please be mindful of water safety around Stephens Pond. The Water Safety Code states there should be close and constant adult supervision when near water. Please take some time to speak to your child/children about how to be safe around water. Thank you.

Car Free School Streets- Due to the amount of cars continuing to park/move on Laburnum Drive during the restricted times in the afternoon, we have had to reintroduce a member of staff patrolling the end of Laburnum Drive. In line with the Car Free School Streets restrictions, no cars (unless they have an exemption- resident or disabled badge) should **move** during the times of 8.30-9.00a.m and 2.45-3.15p.m. If you do choose to arrive earlier and park within the restricted times then please wait until the cordons have been removed to drive away. Staff will be passing on details of cars moving within the restricted times to Birmingham City Council and the Police. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our streets safe and therefore our children safe.



Letters sent home:

Whole School: Ofsted Report and Letter, Letter Regarding Proposed Strike Action





Attendance - *Our school strives for 100% attendance.*

This week the Attendance Award was won by: Year 6

Whole School attendance this week: 97.01%

Punctuality Award: Reception

Government legislation states that a child with an attendance of 90% and below is categorised as a "Persistent Absence Pupil". An attendance figure of 90% equates to missing half a day every week that means four weeks of missed school work across the whole year. *Parents should also be aware that referrals to the school nurse will be considered for those children with an attendance rate of below 95% due to health related absences.*

Virtues and Values

This half term we are concentrating on being '**Eloquent and Truthful.**' As a school community we are looking for opportunities in our own lives where we show the virtues. Please discuss this with your children at home; highlighting times when you experience or show these virtues. This will also be the focus for our 'Angel of the Week' awards for this half term.



Angel of the Week

Each week we recognise those children who have made that extra special effort to follow Jesus' example and show the virtues in their daily life.

This week's winners are **Mr Hunt:** Joshua **Miss Prior:** Gracie **Miss Stevens:** Sophia **Miss Small:** Leylah **Mrs Hope:** Julia **Mr Mayor:** Antoni **Mrs Norton:** Addison



Recommendations: Reception: Harper, Sam **Year 1:** Rico, Emily **Year 2:** Malachy, Hannah **Year 3:** Isabella, Max **Year 4:** Kaiden, Evie **Year 5:** Cora, George **Year 6:** Anastasiia, Aidan



Happy Birthday to the following children who have celebrated their birthdays this week: Olive, Amos, Alena (Reception) Martin (Y3) Alannah (Y4) Eden (Y5)



Mass: Mass next week will be at school led by Year 4. All welcome



Dates for Diary - January 2023

Tuesday 3 January	8.45am	Return to school
Monday 23 January	3.20pm	Year 2 SATs parent workshop
Wednesday 25 January	12.30	Young Voices
Tuesday 31 January	9.00am	Y4 Class Assembly

Dates for Diary - February 2023

Monday 6 February	9.00am	Year Six SATs parents workshop
Tuesday 7 February	PM	Year 5 and 6 at BW for Footloose
Wednesday 8 February	9.00am	Y3 Class Assembly
Thursday 9 February	5.00pm & 7.30pm	Y6 - Confirmation
Thursday 16 February	4.00pm-5.20pm	Netball vs St. Nicks and Moor Hall
Friday 17 February	All Day	INSET Day
Friday 17 February	3.10/3.15pm	School breaks up for half term
Monday 27 February	8.45am	Return to school

Dates for Diary - March 2023

Wednesday 1 March	All Day	St David's Day - wear something yellow
Thursday 2 March	All Day	World Book Day
Tuesday 7 March	9.00am	Year 2 Class Assembly
Friday 17 March	All Day	St Patricks day - wear something green
Tuesday 27 March	TBC	Parents evening
Wednesday 28 March	TBC	Parents evening
Friday 31 March	TBC	EYFS and KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade

Dates for Diary - April 2023

Monday 3 April	9.15am	Stations of the Cross
Tuesday 4 April	2.30pm TBC	KS2 Passion Play
Wednesday 5 April	9.15am TBC	KS2 Passion Play
Thursday 6 April	3.10/3.15pm	School breaks up end of Spring term
Monday 24 April	8.45am	Return to school

Dates for Diary - May 2023

Friday 26 May	3.10/3.15pm	Break Up For Half Term
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Dates for Diary - June 2023

Monday 5 June	8.45	Return to school
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Dates for Diary - July 2023

Friday 7 July	TBC	Year 6 Leavers' party
Wednesday 12 July		Year 6 Residential Mount Cook
Tuesday 25 July	3.10/3.15pm	Last day of term - break up for summer

Yours sincerely|



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