



Holy Cross RC Primary School

Newsletter –16/06/2023

This week:

Year 5 presented their assembly on the ancient Greeks. They presented it Britain's got talent style. They spoke and sang beautifully. They also spoke about Pentecost as part of their RE learning.



Children from both Year 5 and 6 were lucky enough to take part in a Quadtiks Athletics tournament after school. All children competed in 4 activities and showed great determination and resilience. They all had a great time and a special thanks to our parent supporters!

On Wednesday Year 6 attended a special leavers mass at Clifton Cathedral. They joined hundreds of children from across the diocese and represented Holy Cross impeccably. Well done Year 6.



Admissions:

Admission for our Reception class for next September has closed. If you have applied, please speak to Miss Sims about completing our supplementary form.

Please spread the word about our school with your neighbours and friends! We have spaces in some classes if you know anyone who has moved into the area or looking for a new school. If you are able to put a flyer up in your window, please ask Miss Sims for one. Anyone is able to call the office and organise a visit.

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At Holy Cross everyone is warmly welcome



Be part of our small, diverse, nurturing school with lots of outdoor space where the focus is on safe, happy children who are valued and make good progress.

If you are still deciding on the best school for your family, please visit Holy Cross RC Primary
Rated **Good** by Ofsted
Wrap-around care from 8.00am - 5.30pm

Please contact the school office for more information on
0117 377 2199
email: holycrossp@bristol-schools.uk

To see more of the school please visit www.holycross.bristol.sch.uk

Social media:

From this year, we are having a social media presence with pages on Facebook and Instagram. This is so we can share more readily all the wonderful our children do in school. A permission slip went out this week, please complete the form and return it to Miss Sims asap.

Please can all parents add/follow our accounts:

<https://instagram.com/holycrossrcprimary?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=>

<https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Cross-RC-Primary-School-108722785310698/>

Twitter - @HolyCrossRCSch



Attendance update:

Please see the attached letter regarding attendance. We have given all of the term dates and inset days for your records for the next academic year.

We are working in partnership with parents, carers and Bristol City Council to ensure all of our pupils maximise their attendance. We would like to thank parents and carers for the work you have done in ensuring your children have received education over the last few challenging years due to the pandemic. The usual rules on school attendance continue to apply, including:

- parents' duty to send their child to school regularly where they are of compulsory school age;
- schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence
- the availability of local authorities to use legal sanctions, including penalty notices and prosecution in court

If you are worried about your child attending school the first port of call is to discuss your concerns with us directly. Our staff who may be able to help, and all schools work closely with health and council teams who may also be able to help if needed. If you need to request time off for exceptional circumstance, please ask Miss Sims for a request of absence form. We would like to remind you that only requests for exceptional circumstances will be authorised. If your request is unauthorised, the absence will be looked at and if your child has more than 4 days off within a 10 week period, you could receive a penalty notice.

Class	Yearly Attendance	This week's attendance	Late sessions this week
Reception	91.8%	86.8%	6
Year 1	89.4%	90.7%	5
Year 2	94.1%	96.0%	11
Year 3	90.7%	88.6%	9
Year 4	94.6%	97.4%	2
Year 5	95.6%	97.3%	7
Year 6	95.4%	96.0%	7
Total	93.1%	94.8%	47

Thank you to those who attend regularly. Please remember to phone the school office if your child is going to be absent. If we do not hear from you, we will ring you and then may also make a home visit if we are unable to contact you.

Thank you to those who arrive on time. Remember, children can go straight to class from 8:45am or attend breakfast club from 8am if necessary. If we receive pupil premium funding for your child then breakfast club is free. If your child is constantly late to school this can affect their self-esteem and they could be missing out on valuable reading, phonics or Maths activities and interventions. When your child is absent from school, please ensure you have contacted the school office rather than teachers or Mrs Kingston.

If your child has low attendance and you would like to make an appointment and create an action plan for the rest of the year, please speak to Miss Sims. We hope that we can work with parents and support them to improve attendance.

International Week:

We are celebrating international week in school from Monday 19th – Friday 23rd June. During this week children will be taking part in numerous activities with different teachers, based on different countries. On Friday 23rd, parents are invited in at 1.30pm to watch an assembly where the children will present all of the learning from the week. After the assembly, parents can join us on the KS2 field for a picnic. We would like for parents to bring in food to share with their children's class based on their home culture. Children can come in dressed up on the Friday based on either the country their class is learning about or their home culture.

Job Opportunity

We are looking for a SMSA (Lunch time assistant) for a Wednesday and Friday from 12pm – 1.30pm. If you would be interested in this opportunity, please speak with Mrs Kingston.

Messages from Mrs Hunt:

Bristol Parent Carers Forum have developed a calendar for families in Bristol seeking inclusive events and activities for children with special educational needs or disabilities.

<https://www.bristolparentcarers.org.uk/events/>

Our next SENDCo coffee morning will be held at **9am on Tuesday 13th June**. We'll be joined by our school nurse and the focus will be on toileting. They will provide advice and resources on areas including daytime/nighttime wetting, constipation and toilet anxiety. This event is open to all families within our school community.

Term Dates:

- Term 6: Monday 5 June 2023 to Friday 21 July 2023

Inset Days:

- Monday 5th June

Next Year: Friday 1st September – **Inset day**

- Term 1: Monday 4th September 2023 to Friday 20th October 2023

Important Dates:

Term 6

Monday 19 th June	International week
Tuesday 20 th June	First Holy Communion Mass
Friday 23 rd June	Year 3 assembly 9.10am International week assembly 1.30pm followed by picnic
Monday 26 th June	Years 3 and 5 trip to Mosque
Tuesday 27 th June	Year 1 farm trip
Wednesday 28 th June	Choir trip to Bristol Beacon PM
Thursday 29 th June	St Peter and Paul Mass 9.15am
Friday 30 th June	Year 2 assembly 9.10am
Monday 3 rd July	Reception trip to Clevedon
Thursday 6 th July	Years 4 and 6 trip to Synagogue
Friday 7 th July	Year1 class assembly 9.10am New reception children visit PM PTFA Summer Fair after school
Tuesday 11 th July	KS2 sports day
Wednesday 12 th July	KS1 sports day
Thursday 13 th July	Menu change Year 6 Leavers Mass 9.10am
Friday 14 th July	Reception class assembly 9.10 Years 2 and 3 trip to Noah's Ark New reception children visit PM
Monday 17 th July	Moving up session PM
Tuesday 18 th July	Year 6 trip to Zaza
Wednesday 19 th July	Year 6 play 2.00pm
Thursday 20 th July	100% attendance treat to Zaza (selected children)
Friday 21 st July	End of term Year 6 leavers assembly 9.10am

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TO ENTER: ASK YOUR TEACHERS FOR YOUR
ART NINJA SHEET

3 lucky winners will be chosen by the Art Ninja himself and
will have their artwork printed and displayed as part of the
South Bristol Arts Trail in September. GOOD LUCK!

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