



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

This week:

This morning Year 3 presented their assembly on their learning for this term. They reminded us of how important it is to look after our planet, especially the rainforests. They read and sang beautifully, and was a wonderful start to our day

This week, the children spent time learning about the Commonwealth countries in their Houses. They learnt about and celebrated cultures from around the world with all of the class teachers. Thank you to all the parents who shared food with the children this afternoon and well done to all of the children for presenting their learning during the assembly.

On Wednesday morning, Year 6 went to Clifton Cathedral where they celebrated their Leavers Mass with other Year 6 classes from our Diocese.

Year 5 was joined by Miss Ryan, science teacher from St Bernadette secondary school, on Tuesday. They impressed her with their Science knowledge on forces. They took part in a science experiment in order to reduce friction. Fun was had by all. Next week they will go to the Science department at St Bernadette to take part in further experiments. We are very much looking forward to seeing what they will discover.

Collecting Children Early:

We have had a lot of parents requesting to collect their children early recently. I would like to remind you that you can only collect your child early from school if they have an appointment or for an exceptional circumstance. From now on, we will require written evidence of the appointment.

Hot Weather:

Now that the hot weather is here, please make sure all children come in with sun cream on, a sun hat and has a water bottle with them.

Parking:

I sent an e mail earlier today reminding you all about safe parking outside school at drop o and collection times. Please do not park on the double yellow lines outside or opposite the school. I do not want to receive any more e mails of complaint from local residents!



Governors Competition:

Please see the attached document for information on the Governor's writing competition. The deadline is Friday 8th July.

PTFA Events:

Please see the attached flyer for the term 6 PTFA events.

After School Clubs

We have sent out the information for After School Clubs for September. If you intend to use the club, please complete the form and return it back to school by 10th June.

Little Princess Trust Charity:

Mia in Year 2 is having her hair cut to raise money for the Little Princess Trust Charity. If you would like to donate, we have a collection box at the office or use the Go Fund me link:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/dfmk58-little-princess-trust?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1

Snacks:

Please remember children are not given a government provided snack for playtime in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6). Please provide your child with a healthy snack if you wish. A polite reminder that crisps and chocolate bars do not count as a healthy snack!

Nut free school:

Please remember that we have a number of children with nut allergies: some airborne. This means that we need to **insist that all products sent into schools are nut free**. There are some food items you would not think contained nuts so please can all parents check labelling when making packed lunches.

Please check if all treats are nut free if you are sending them in for your child's birthday. Even cakes that say may contain nuts can be dangerous for some of our children. We are unable to give them out if this is the case.

Attendance update:

We will be working closely with our school EWO to improve attendance as the legal duty for isolation has now lapsed. There are a number of pupils who attendance is a real concern and we want to work closely with parents to improve the situation so pupils are in school as much as possible. The target for all pupils is set at 96.1% and any figure below is a concern. If your child's attendance falls below 90 %, you will be invited in for a meeting so we can plan how to improve for the rest of the year.

We have had a lot of request of absence forms handed in within the last few weeks. 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	89.9%	83.0%	4
Year 1	90.7%	93.6%	4
Year 2	89.7%	93.5%	4
Year 3	93.1%	97.0%	5
Year 4	94.0%	96.6%	1
Year 5	91.7%	94.4%	5
Year 6	89.8%	96.2%	2
Total	91.3%	93.4%	25

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.

However, please be aware of waiting 48 hours before your child returns to school if your child has had a tummy bug.

Take care,



Mrs Kingston.

Important Dates:

Term 6

Monday 27 th June	Year 5 St Bernadette Science Trip PTFA Zoom meeting 8pm
Friday 1 st July	Year 2 class assembly 9.15am PTFA Bingo night 6-8pm
Wednesday 6 th July	KS1 sports morning 9.30am – 11.30am
Thursday 7 th July	Reception Clevedon trip
Friday 8 th July	KS2 sports morning 10.00am – 12.00pm Year 1 class assembly 9.15am New Reception intake session PM
Saturday 9 th July	Summer Fair 11am – 1pm
Tuesday 12 th July	Years 1 and 6 Suspension bridge trip
Wednesday 13 th July	Year 6 Zaza Trip Reserved KS1 sports morning 9.30am – 11.30am
Thursday 14 th July	Year 3 Zoo Trip



	Year 5 The Matthew Trip
Friday 15 th July	Reception class assembly 9.15am New Reception intake session PM Reserved KS2 sports morning 10.00am – 12.00pm
Tuesday 19 th July	Year 2 Zoo Trip
Wednesday 20 th July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 9.15am Year 6 Play 2pm
Thursday 21 st July	End of Term 6 Celebration assembly 9.15am

Term 1

Thursday 1 st September	Inset day
Friday 2 nd September	Inset day
Monday 5 th September	Start of Term 1

