



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

This week in school:

A number of staff attended the funeral of Dontae, Cairo and Christian's elder brother yesterday. Please continue to keep the whole family in your thoughts and prayers at this time.

We have received a free donation of food parcels. Please see Miss Sims if you would benefit from one at this time.

Coronavirus Update:

Coronavirus continues to be a concern for us all in school. In order to help keep us all safe and all classes open, please do not send your child to school if they feel at all unwell. This is particularly important with the highly infectious Omicron variant where the symptoms include a scratchy throat, lower back pain, a runny or blocked nose, a headache, muscle pains and fatigue, sneezing and night sweats as well as fever, loss of taste/smell or a continuous cough. So if your child has any of these symptoms, please do not send them to school and get a PCR test. Thank you for all your support in these continuing tricky times. I also think it is prudent to inform you that there are a couple of children who seemed to have tonsillitis who have gone on to test positive for coronavirus.

If your child has any of the symptoms above they will be required to have a PCR test to rule out Covid before being able to return to school.

There may be situations where the isolation period can be shortened to 5 days for positive cases and close contacts. Please check you are following the rules carefully to help keep us all safe. Please follow this link for further information:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/how-long-to-self-isolate/>

Although mask wearing is not compulsory from Monday, all staff and visitors will continue to wear a mask in communal areas. We hope this will reduce the risk of having to close classes due to staff shortages.



Numbers Day:

On Friday 4th February we will be taking part in Numbers Day. Please see the attached document for more details.

Road safety and parking:

I have been asked by local residents to politely remind all parents about parking considerately and legally outside school both in the morning and the afternoon. As Dean Lane is now a one way system due to the local road network upgrade, it is really important that you do not park on any double yellow lines or where there is not a designated parking space. Please also do not use the car park between the bed and breakfast as a parking or turning place. Please also do not park on the pavement as this makes it dangerous for all our children.

Class newsletters:

All class teachers have sent out their class newsletter for this term with important information and dates on them. Please also check the class dojo or Tapestry apps to check you are receiving the most up to date information or any changes to the timetables.

Assemblies/Visitors:

We are currently restricting visitors in school and asking they wear masks and take a LFD test before entering. Therefore, I have postponed the start of Class Assemblies this term. I will send out further information after January 26th when new government guidance for schools will be released.

Online Gaming:

We have been informed of harmful content on gaming platform Roblox. Please read: https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2022/01/19/roblox-parents-guide-and-age-restrictions/?utm_campaign=Evil%20Santa&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=201314829&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-9MFHf6ikzF6nd_sSRp3U6HQ35VVeKzggL9FeKt6PtvBhuN_JPdZ5dHNPT3Z3shInPV_HfOjYasrH6i_bo-YgnyOeTYtNktGTGWglfNCABM3WyQSqg&utm_content=201314829&utm_source=hs_email

Year 6 Fundraising:

On Friday 28th January, Year 6 will be holding a cake and book sale to raise money for their end of Year 6 events. Please bring in cake and book donations if you can.

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.



Finally:

Thank you for all your support. Have a restful weekend.



Mrs Kingston.

Important Dates:

Date	Event
Tuesday 25 th January	Year 2 Trip Aerospace
Thursday 27 th January	Year 5 Bikeability all day
Friday 28 th January	Year 5 Bikeability AM Cake and book sale after school (Y6 Fundraising)
Friday 4 th February	Numbers Day
Saturday 12 th February	Lantern Parade
Tuesday 15 th February	Year 3 Museum Trip
Wednesday 16 th February	Year 1 Aquarium Trip
Thursday 17 th February	Year 5 Performance AM
Friday 18 th February	End of Term 3
Monday 28 th February	Inset Day
Tuesday 1 st March	Start of Term 4
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day

