



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

What lovely weather we have for our BBQ this evening! I am looking forward to seeing you all there and enjoying the evening sunshine and some delicious food. Thank you to the PTFA for organising this event.

We held our first coffee morning this morning and those who attended enjoyed a chat and contributed towards raising money for MacMillan charity support. It was great to see many new faces and I look forward to seeing more of you next time.

Thank you to all those who sent cakes in for the MacMillan cake sale after school today. There were some wonderful cakes available.

Y2 enjoyed a Pirate Day yesterday linked to their Topic and I particularly enjoyed their "Pirate PE" in the Hall. The children (and adults) looked amazing in their costumes.

This weeks' events:

The bike doctor will be in school on Wednesday to check the safety of your child's bike. Please see Miss Sims for further information.

Reading:

Reading is such a valuable skill for all areas of the curriculum. Within school we are always looking for ways to develop and improve the teaching of reading. Parents often ask how they can support their children at home, we are hoping to begin holding some after school parent workshops in the near future. In the meantime, below are some Free Online Support Webinars, please book via these links. If you decide to join the sessions we would love to know what you thought.

Raising a Reader

<https://www.dandelionlearning.co.uk/raising-a-reader-top-tips-for-parents-to-foster-a-love-of-reading-free-training/>

Getting to grips with Grammar

<https://www.dandelionlearning.co.uk/helping-parents-with-home-learning-getting-to-grips-with-grammar/>



Whole school theme:

This year our whole school theme is looking after the world.

We are planning work with the children on how to protect the planet for future generations. If you are able to help in any way e.g. Assemblies, activities, workshops, ideas for more recycling please let your child's class teacher know on either Tapestry or Class Dojo. Thank you to all those who have already offered their time.

Drop off and pick up:

A polite reminder that:

The church gate will not open until 3:05pm and the front gate until 3:10pm.

Year 1 finish at 3:05pm and Year 2 at 3:10pm.

Years 3 and Year 5 finish at 3:10pm and Year 4 and 6 at 3:15pm.

All siblings can be collected from the youngest sibling classroom.

PE days:

We are insisting on correct PE kit this year as the children. Navy shorts, leggings, joggers or skorts with a plain white t shirt. A navy (school) sweatshirt or hoodie may be worn when it is cold. Many children are still not wearing correct PE kit on their days. If you are struggling to get hold of the correct kit, please see the Office. Any pupils not wearing correct PE kit will be given spare correct kit to wear from Monday.

Contact with teachers:

Please contact your child's class teacher on either Tapestry or Class Dojo if you wish to ask or discuss anything. All teachers are available after school on the door or gate if you wish to speak to them very quickly but it is best to book an appointment if you wish to talk for more than a few seconds!

Clubs:

If you need breakfast club or after school club provision there are still a few spaces. Please contact Miss Sims for more information.

INSET Days:

This year's INSET days have been set. They are: Monday 1st November, Tuesday 4th January, Monday 28th February, Monday 25th April and Monday 6th June.

Rags 2 Riches:

We have a Rags 2 Riches collection booked in for the last day of Term 1 (Friday 22nd October). If you have any unwanted clothes please bag them up and bring them in on the morning of the 22nd October.



Youth Zone:

Bristol City Council would like to hear from parents, carers and families to help us develop proposals for a Youth Zone in South Bristol. The site could provide a dedicated and exciting new space where the city's children and young people play, grow, and learn.

Youth Zones are affordable, high quality sites that give children and young people somewhere to go, inspiring things to do and supportive people to talk to. They can get involved in a wide range of activities, develop new skills and socialise in a safe and accessible environment. The engagement survey is open until Sunday 17 October 2021. To find out more and comment on the South Bristol Youth Zone

visit: <https://bristol.citizenspace.com/people/youth-zone/>

[Additional – link to press release: Youth Zone engagement begins - bristol.gov.uk](#)

Finally:

Take care and thank you for all your support this week,

Mrs Kingston.

Important Dates:

Friday 24 th September	-	PTFA Welcome BBQ 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Wednesday 29 th September	-	Dr Bike
Thursday 7 th October	-	Year 6 Bikeability
Friday 8 th October	-	Year 6 Bikeability AM
	-	Year 5 Class Assembly 9.15am
Wednesday 13 th October	-	Year 3 Trip
Friday 15 th October	-	Year 6 Class Assembly 9.15am
Thursday 21 st October	-	School Portraits
Friday 22 nd October	-	End of term
	-	Rags 2 Riches
	-	Show racism the red card day
	-	Year 4 class assembly 9.15am

