



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week:

This morning, Year 3 presented their assembly on The Stone Age. We were so amazed with their confidence, costumes and fabulous singing.

Today Reception class have had a "Wildlife day". They spoke about how we can help the planet and went around the school collecting rubbish to make sure it didn't end up in the ocean and harming the wildlife in it. They raised money for the animals in the Australian outback. They spent the rest of the day making their animal masks.

On Wednesday, Year 4 went on a trip to Wildplace. They participated in a workshop all about Madagascar and they learnt all about the different animals and the dangers they face there. They then explored the park and saw a variety of animals. Please visit the class website for pictures and videos.

On Tuesday Year 3 went on a trip to The Bristol Museum and Art Gallery. They had a lovely time and took part in a workshop on The Stone Age.

On Monday Year 2 went on a trip to Aerospace. They were great investigators when they had to find information out about the Concorde and loved getting to make their own that travelled faster than an air bus. After lunch, they got to go on Concorde and find out more information about other planes. Thanks to everyone who helped. Year 2 had a great day.

On Tuesday we had our Rags2riches clothing collection. Thank you for everyone that donated clothes. We raised £100.75.

Nut Free School:

Just a reminder that we are a nut free school. This includes items in packed lunch boxes. We have several children who have a nut allergy and we kindly request that parents support us in this.

After School Clubs:

From next term the price of our after school club room will increase to £3.50 per session.

World Book Day:

On Thursday 5th March we will be celebrating World Book Day. All children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character or they can dress up as a word, for example, children can come as the word "spotty" and have a costume covered in spots. All children will take part in a sponsored read to raise money for books for the school. From 2-3pm parents are invited to come in to school to read to the children if they wish. After school Year 6 will host a book and cake sale to raise money for their end of year hoodies.

Head Lice:

This week we have been informed about many cases of head lice. Please can **all parents** check their child's hair this weekend and treat if needed.

Food Collection:

We will still continue to collect donations of dried or canned food and other essentials such as toiletries. If you would like to donate please hand to the school office.



Parking:

You may have noticed our little children parking deterrents outside school. We have been really pleased with how parking has improved since they have been out there this week. Please continue to park safely and considerately outside school. Remember, we want to keep everyone safe.

Homework:

There is no homework this week as it is half term.

Uniform:

Please remember our uniform policy includes black school shoes. If the children need to wear trainers for any emergency reason please let Mrs Kingston know.

Attendance and Punctuality:

Our attendance target for this academic year is 96.1%.

Class	Yearly Attendance	This week's attendance	Late sessions this week
Reception	91.7	87.3	16
Year 1	94.1	94.7	6
Year 2	95.5	95.0	5
Year 3	94.3	95.2	9
Year 4	95.4	97.3	3
Year 5	97.1	98.0	3
Year 6	97.0	96.0	1
Total	95.1	94.7	43

Well done to Year 5 who had the highest attendance this week.

We will be focussing on those children who are persistently late. Please make every effort to get to school on time in the mornings. We find that children do not like to come into school late and are unsettled for the rest of the day if they miss the settling session.

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. We have been asked by our EWO to issue penalty notice fines when a child is absent for more than 4 days within a 10 week period. **However, please be aware of waiting 48 hours**



before your child returns to school if your child has had a tummy bug.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. J Kingston
Head teacher

Term 4:

Monday 24 th February	Inset Day
Tuesday 25 th February	Back to School
Wednesday 26 th February	Ash Wednesday Service 9.10am
Thursday 27 th February	Years 3 and 4 Football Team Tournament after school
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day Book and Cake Sale after school.
Tuesday 10 th March	Parents Evening
Wednesday 11 th March	Parents Evening
Friday 13 th March	Year 2 assembly 9.05am Parent Council meeting after assembly. Sports Relief
Friday 20 th March	Year 1 assembly 9.05am Family Quiz Night
Friday 27 th March	Reception assembly 9.05am
Wednesday 1 st April	Lenten Penitential Mass 9.10am
Friday 3 rd April	End of Term 4

