



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week:

This morning we had our annual KS2 Talent Show which was a wonderful success. We are so proud of all the participants. They were so confident and amazed us with all of their wonderful talents.

On Thursday morning a group of children who have been attending Ukulele club for the past 2 terms performed an assembly. Everyone was really impressed with their musical ability.

Next Week:

There will not be a Celebration Assembly on Monday.

Food Donations:

If you are able to donate any food to any vulnerable families within our school community, please bring in to Mrs Douglas any items such as dried or tinned food. We are hoping to start a community pantry where any families who need extra food can take what they need.

After School Club:

There are no teacher lead clubs next week. The only clubs that are on that week are our Extended club and Fizz Pop Science. If you need to book your child into a club from Monday 16th – Friday 20th, please do so now to avoid disappointment. On Friday 20th, our Extended club is only until 4.30pm.

Online safety:

Please make sure you are supervising your child's activities when they are online. Do you know who they are chatting to and do you know which apps they are using? Are they choosing age appropriate activities and websites? We have spent a large amount of teaching time this week dealing with online issues from home, and ask that you support us in helping the children make sensible and safe decisions when online.

Christmas Eve Mass:

If you are planning on attending the Christmas Eve Mass at Holy Cross RC Church, and your child would like to read, sing or act during the service, please let Miss Sims know and she will add your name to the list. Children are invited to dress up as a character from the Nativity.

Nessy:

There will not be any Nessy club next week.

Homework:

The homework this week is Writing.

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	91.5	92.5	17
Year 1	93.1	91.7	10
Year 2	94.9	93.8	11
Year 3	94.6	94.6	13



Year 4	95.1	95.0	9
Year 5	97.1	95.2	10
Year 6	97.0	97.7	4
Total	94.8	94.4	74

Well done to year 6 who had the highest attendance this week.

After Christmas we will be focussing on those children who are persistently late. The number of children who were late school this week is the highest I have ever known. 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 2:

Tuesday 17 th December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 18 th December	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Thursday 19 th December	KS1 Nativity 9.15am
Friday 20 th December	Last Day of Term End of term Celebration Assembly 9.05am Carol Service 1.30pm

Term 3:

Monday 6 th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th January	First day of Term 3