



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 6th December 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week:

Today years 3, 4 and 6 took part in an Explorer Dome workshop. They covered different topics all concerning the environment. They first looked at the rainforest and what it is like. They then explored different animals within the rainforest and created a food chain within the dome. After they looked at the North Pole and the arctic. They explored what adaptations was and what you would need to live and survive in these areas.

Yesterday the children enjoyed a wonderful Pantomime performance of Beauty and the Beast. Judging by the sounds of laughter the children all thoroughly enjoyed this theatrical experience.

On Wednesday morning, Avon and Somerset Fire Service came in to school for a fire workshop with KS1. Unfortunately the workshop was shorter than expected as they had to attend to an emergency, however the children enjoyed the session on fire safety and seeing all of their equipment.

On Wednesday our Reception class visited our local Post Office to post their letters to Santa. We hope all of their wishes come true.

Thank you to all of our visitors who have helped our Reception children learn about people who help us for their topic this term.

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 on the last week of term. 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.

Talent Show:

On Friday 13th December we are holding our annual talent show. Children in KS2 are invited to perform their talent at this event. Mrs. Kingston will hold auditions to check the acts suitability from next Monday! All children across the school will be invited to wear a Christmas jumper on this day so there is no need for special costumes.

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 on the last week of term.

Christmas Disco:

The Christmas Disco is on tonight from 6-8pm. Everyone welcome.

Homework:

The homework this week is Maths.

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	91.4	89.3	17
Year 1	93.2	93.8	9
Year 2	95.0	90.3	9
Year 3	93.9	88.9	12
Year 4	95.1	96.5	4
Year 5	97.3	96.1	7
Year 6	96.9	96.8	1
Total	94.8	93.2	59

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

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:

Wednesday 11 th December	Year 5 and 6 Football Team – Match after school
Friday 13 th December	Christmas Jumper Day KS2 Talent Show 9.05am Christmas Cake Sale after school
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