



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As the academic year draws to a close for at Holy Cross, we are able to reflect on all the achievements that have been made during that time. We are immensely proud of our pupils, from the progress they have made academically to the wonderful way they behave around school. Everyone who visits our school comments on how well behaved and polite the children are here in Holy Cross and how joyful the ethos is. We are very lucky to have such a strong, diverse community and children who love learning and show kindness to those around them. We would like to thank parents and carers for their support throughout this year and acknowledge the important role you have in your child's education.

We think especially of the Year 6 children leaving us today to start the next step in the education and wish them well. They have had an excellent journey in our Holy Cross and have so much to be proud of. Whatever challenge has been given to them they have risen to it and are a credit to their families. We have no doubt they will go from strength to strength in the future.

We say goodbye to Mr Cooper and Mr Kean, who are leaving us to begin new stages in their lives. We thank them for all that they have contributed to Holy Cross and wish them well in the future. We also say goodbye temporarily to Mrs Hunt who is leaving us to have her first baby. We wish her all the best and look forward to meeting her new arrival in September.

We look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 3rd September to begin the new academic year.

This week in school:

On Thursday we held our end of year mass where we prayed especially for our year 6 leavers. It was a very uplifting service and we are grateful to Fr Rupert for his message of love and kindness as we all move on. They led the readings, bidding prayers and offertory with grace and made us really proud. Father Rupert was, as always, impressed with their behaviour.

On Wednesday and Thursday afternoon year 6 performed "Mystery at Magpie Manor" to their parents, siblings and the whole school. They absolutely amazed us with their talents in singing, dancing and acting. Their parents were rightly proud of them and we appreciate all of their hard work.

This morning we had our end of year assembly where we said goodbye to the year 6's and awarded prizes to a range of children for their achievements. Thank you to all those who came and supported the children today.

On Monday afternoon, our 100% attendance winners went to Zaza Bazaar as a reward for coming into school every day this academic year.

Prizes:

Congratulations to all of our prize winners! At Holy Cross we are so proud of all of our children and really pleased that we can reward our children who consistently give of their best at the end of each term and year.

Cloth citizen winners: Shivanshi, Maxwell, Elaina, Alicja, Dylan, Palaksh and Tylor

Good Samaritan award winners: Mariah, Maryam and Jayden

Learning Skills award winners: Lucia, Hunter, Michaela, Ruby, Kianna, Damian, Jakub

St Paul award winners: Fiona, Lacey, Ryan

Samson Award winners: Chanaya, Cheyenne, Clarice, Keeley



100% attendance winners: Archie, Finn, Myla, Kinga, Evie, Ruben, Yanyun, Mikey.S, Liam, Daniel, Joshua, Varshika, Anna, Poppy, Keagan, Keira, Monika, Orlando, Hui, Nayla and Robin.W.

Thank you:

The staff would like to thank all the pupils and parents for their kind gifts. They were very much appreciated. We would also like to thank the PTFA for all their hard work this year in helping to make our school the best it can be.

Inset Days:

The inset days for next academic year are: Monday 2nd September, Monday 6th January, Monday 24th February, Monday 6th July and Monday 20th July.

Homework:

There will not be any formal homework set for the summer holidays. However, please continue to read and practise tables/number bonds with your child.

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	93.8	93.0	4
Year 1	95.9	95.3	6
Year 2	95.6	91.2	11
Year 3	95.6	91.5	3
Year 4	96.6	92.7	6
Year 5	96.6	87.1	3
Year 6	97.2	99.3	7
Total	96.3	92.9	40

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. From September 2017 we have been asked by the local authority 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 1:

Monday 2nd September
Tuesday 3rd September

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Inset Day
First day of Term 1