



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This Week:

You may have noticed this week that the pavement outside our school on Dean Lane has been closed. This is to allow building work to take place, replacing our school playground wall, which has become weakened by bad weather. The closure is in place for everyone's safety. If you come to school from Dean Lane then please use the entrance at the Church, this will be opened each morning, you are also able to exit this way at the end of the day. If your child walks to and from school on their own please remind them that the Church entrance is open and that they are not to walk on the road.

On Wednesday Year 6 visited We The Curious this week to become Crime Scene Investigators. They had a wonderful day carrying out forensic Science experiments. Once they had investigated the crime scene they learnt how to find finger prints, match ink samples, identify hair samples under a microscope and match DNA by extracting a sample. All in all it was a superb day and the children were once again very well behaved and a credit to our school.

Safeguarding:

As part of our duty to keep your children safe, if a child comes into school with a mark on them that has not been explained by a parent or carer then we will contact you to discuss.

Behaviour and Mental Health for Children:

Funded by Health Education England, HappyMaps is designed to help parents find useful resources on behaviour and mental health for their children - from babies to young adults. There is good general information (national) covering school refusal, anxiety in primary children and more. It includes information on local counselling, charities, local CAMHS and parenting groups for the SouthWest. They also hope this will be really useful for parents whose children don't meet the specialist referral thresholds or are perhaps on the waiting list. The website name is www.happymaps.co.uk.

Uniform:

Please remember that all children need to wear plain black school shoes. This does not include black trainers. If you need any assistance with purchasing school shoes, please speak to Mrs Kingston. Please remember the correct colour for sweatshirts are navy blue. Children will be allowed to wear summer uniform from after the Easter break. Summer uniform include shorts, **navy blue** checked dresses but for safety reasons, the children are not allowed to wear open toed sandals or flip-flops.

Homework:

The homework this week is Reading.



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	94.2%	91.7%	0
Year 1	95.5%	95.8%	2
Year 2	95.2%	100%	1
Year 3	95.1%	96.8%	2
Year 4	97.2%	95.8%	2
Year 5	96.6%	94.4%	0
Year 6	97.0%	90.0%	0
Total	95.9%	94.7%	7

Well done to year 2 who had 100% attendance this week. They will have a non-uniform day next Friday.

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 48hours before your child returns to school if your child has had a tummy bug.

Thank you for your continued support and interest.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs. J Kingston
Head teacher

Term 5

Sunday 28 th April	-	Stages
Tuesday 30 th April	-	Reception trip to farm 1pm
Thursday 2 nd May	-	Ukulele assembly
Friday 3 rd May	-	Year 6 assembly 9.05am
	-	Cake sale 3.15pm
Monday 6 th May	-	Bank holiday – school closed
Tuesday 7 th May	-	KS1 SATS (Tuesday – Friday)
Wednesday 8 th May	-	Year 3 trip
Friday 10 th May	-	Year 4 assembly 9.05am
Monday 13 th May	-	KS2 SATS Week
Friday 17 th May	-	Year 5 assembly 9.05am
	-	PTFA Rainbow Disco 6-8pm
Monday 20 th May	-	KS1 SATS Week
Tuesday 21 st May	-	Year 4 trip
Friday 24 th May	-	End of term
	-	Year 3 assembly 9.05am