



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This Week:

This morning year 3 presented their assembly on the story of The Iron Man that they have been reading in class. They amazed us with their acting skills and read and sang lovely.

Eggmobile Races:

All children can create an Eggmobile at home to bring in and race against the other students in their class. The Eggmobile needs to safely carry the egg without breaking it and in the fastest time! The child that wins the race in each class will receive an Easter egg. There will also be another prize in each class of the most creative design. Every child that enters will receive a mini chocolate egg. Please make sure that all Eggmobiles are brought in to school by Tuesday 2nd April and have a name and year group clearly labelled. The race will take place on Wednesday 3rd April.

Prayer Bags:

All children will have the chance to bring the class prayer bag home this Lent. Please send a photo of your child using the contents at home to the school email account: holycrossp@bristol-schools.uk

Head Lice and Hygiene

I have been approached this week by a number of parents reporting that their children are constantly getting head lice. In one case a pupil has had head lice seven times since September, despite being regularly treated. The majority of cases are in Reception and year 2. Please check your child's hair very carefully and treat if necessary. Please note that a repeat treatment needs to be done seven days after the first treatment to ensure that all lice have been removed. If you are finding it difficult to treat your child, please see Mrs Kingston and we can help.

Walking Home Alone:

Some of our year 5 and 6 children walk home alone. Please can parents make sure that their children walk straight home and report to them if they see or hear anything that they feel uncomfortable with. If they are meeting a parent at a meeting point and they cannot find their parent, they need to come back to school where we can help with the situation. If a child has a mobile phone and needs it to walk home, please can parents charge the phone fully the evening before. All children need to remember that whilst walking home, they still represent the school. If you would like to discuss this any further please make an appointment to see Mrs James.

Children Collected Early:

It has been brought to our attention that there has been a significant increase in the number of children being collected early from school. For some this is on a regular basis. Parents who wish to collect their children early MUST provide the reception with a valid reason for this and be able to provide evidence of any appointment (dentist, GP etc.). This will then be placed on your child's file. All parents are asked, where possible, to make appointments outside of school hours.



Uniform:

Please remember that all children need to wear plain black school shoes. This does not include black trainers with a white sole. If you need any assistance with purchasing school shoes, please speak to Mrs Kingston.

Wellies:

If anyone has any spare wellies that have been out worn, please can they donate them to school.

Homework:

The homework this week is writing.

PTFA News:

PTFA Meeting: Tuesday 26th March at 7.30pm at The Steam Crane.

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%	90.0%	5
Year 1	95.9%	92.0%	2
Year 2	94.8%	99.0%	5
Year 3	94.7%	94.4%	5
Year 4	97.7%	95.7%	5
Year 5	96.7%	98.3%	7
Year 6	97.4%	96.3%	3
Total	96.0%	94.9%	32

Well done to year 2 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 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 4

Monday 18 th March	-	Chaplaincy Team trip
Thursday 21 st March	-	Year 3 and 4 Class Mass
Thursday 22 nd March	-	Year 4 Trip
Friday 22 nd March	-	Year 3 trip
	-	Year 2 assembly 9.05am
Tuesday 26 th March	-	PTFA Meeting 7.30 at The Steam Crane
Friday 29 th March	-	Year 1 assembly 9.05am
	-	Year 2 Trip
Wednesday 3 rd April	-	Lenten Penitential Service 9.05am

Friday 5th April

- Reception assembly 9.05am
- Year 6 WW2 Day
- Parent Learning and sharing session 2.45pm