



## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

### **This week in school:**

On Tuesday year 3 and 4 participated in a class mass. Fr Rupert was, as always, really impressed by the children's participation, reading and singing.

As part of our E-safety week learning, the children have looked at how to stay safe online. They have been reminded of the legal age of 13 to use different apps, for example snapchat and Facebook. Please support your child in making sure they do not view any inappropriate material online.

On Wednesday, year 5 and 6 took part in workshops with the NSPCC. They learnt how to keep themselves safe and who their trusted adults to talk to are. The workshop leaders commented on how wonderful your children were and how respectful they were to the topics discussed.

On Tuesday year 1 and 2 went to Ashton Park Secondary School to take part in a dance fest with other pupils from local primary schools. Year 1 performed their penguin dance amazingly and year 2 performed a dance to "Let's go fly a kite" and wowed the audience.

### **New Caterers:**

When we come back in term 4 we will have a new caterer in the school kitchen providing school meals. We have sent out the new menu with children today. If your child has a food allergy, please return the form and medical evidence to Miss Sims as soon as possible. The price of a meal has changed to £2.05 a day.

### **World Book Day:**

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March we will be taking part in World Book Day. All children can come in to school dressed up as their favorite book character. We will be holding a breakfast where parents can come in to school and read a book with their child/ren from 8.30am. Year 6 will organise a book sale in the afternoon. Please bring in to school any old books that you are able to donate. Children can bring in money to buy a book from the book sale. Books are 50p each.

### **Chinese Workshops:**

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February every class will take part in a Chinese workshop to celebrate Chinese New Year. We are asking for a £2 donation per child. Please can you pay at the office or on the school app.

### **Rags4riches:**

Next term we will be collecting unwanted clothes to raise money for our school fund, we will be sending out collection bags nearer the time. The collection date is 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

### **School Trips:**

Throughout the year all classes will be given the opportunity to go on school trips. If you are struggling with payment we can always help fund them or create a payment plan for you. Please talk to your child's class



teacher regarding this.

**Homework:**

Homework is given out to every child in year 1-6. Your child will receive it every Friday and is expected to hand it in by Wednesday. This week will be writing.

**Stay and Read/Count sessions:**

Please join your child in their class room to share a book or a Mathematics challenge from 8:40am every Thursday. Next week will be stay and read.

**Attendance and Punctuality:**

Our attendance target for this academic year is 96.1%. Our current figure is 95.80 %. 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.

Last week 9 children were late to school. 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.

Thank you for your continued support and interest.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs. J Kingston  
Head teacher

**Term 4 Key Dates:**

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	-	Start of Term 4
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	-	Chinese workshops
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	-	Rags4riches collection
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	-	Parents Evening 5.00-7.30pm
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	-	Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm
	-	PTFA Meeting, North Street Standard, 7.30pm
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	-	World Book Day
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	-	Year 2 Assembly
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> march	-	Year 4 Trip to Wildplace
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Year 1 Assembly
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Reception Assembly
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	-	Citizen Assembly
	-	Parent sharing and learning 2.45pm