



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have a lovely Easter holiday with your families and friends.

This week in school:

Year 3 went on a trip to Bristol Docks to examine wildlife in the local environment. They really enjoyed it and Mrs Edwards was proud to lead them.

On Thursday we had end of term Mass, led by Fr Rupert. It was a really lovely way to end the term and Fr Rupert was once again really impressed with the children's behaviour and the warm welcome he received.

Thank you to all those parents who attended parents' evenings this week. If you were not able to attend this week your child's teacher will be in touch to rearrange an appointment after the holiday.

On Monday and Tuesday of this week Year 5 performed Macbeth the musical to the school and their parents. We were so impressed with how well they learnt their lines and acted out this tricky play.

On Wednesday the children dressed up in onesies to raise money for the worthy cause of Autism Awareness. Thank you to all those families who donated to this.

Mobile Phones:

This is a polite reminder that mobile phones are not to be used on school premises. We ask the children to turn off their phones when walking through the gate and not to turn them back on until they are off school premises. We ask that parents adhere to this policy as well.

Social media:

We would like to remind all parents that it is really important that they monitor their child's/children's internet use and speak to their children about acceptable behaviour online. Many of the sites our children are accessing are for children aged 13 and above, and therefore should not be using them. If you would like any advice or further information, please see Mrs Douglas before or after school.

INSET:

The remaining INSET days for this year will be Monday 24th April and Monday 5th June. School will be closed to pupils on these days for staff training. Please remember school will be closed Monday 1st May for a bank holiday.



Homework:

There is no homework set for the Easter holiday period. However, Y2 and Y6 have optional homework to complete if they wish. Please also continue to read with your child, as well as practising their spellings and tables.

500 Word Competition:

As we were inundated with competition entries, we will have to decide a winner after half term.

Easter Competition:

Thank you for all of the eggmobile and Easter garden entries. The winners of the race was: Ben (Y1), Josh (Y2), Joe (Y3), Ryan (Y4), Indi (Y5) and Bella (Y6). The winners of the most creative was: Keagan (Y1), Gabriel (Y2), Evie (Y3), Molly (Y4), Faye (Y5), and Marianna (Y6). Winners of the Easter garden competition was: Eve (Y4), Evie-Jean (Y5) and Chloe (Y5).

Attendance and Punctuality:

Our attendance target for this academic year is 96.1%. Our current figure is 94.8%. 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.

As we are being increasingly asked to provide more evidence for the EWO regarding attendance, it would be helpful if when taking to a medical appointment you ask for proof of appointment from the doctor or hospital.

Last week 28 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 5 Dates:

Monday 24 th April	-	Inset Day
Tuesday 25 th April	-	Start of Term 5
Monday 1 st May	-	Bank holiday (no school)
Monday 8 th May	-	Start of KS2 Sats week
Friday 12 th May	-	Holy Cross 50 th anniversary
Saturday 13 th May	-	Arts Trail
Sunday 14 th May	-	Arts Trail
Monday 15 th May	-	Start of KS1 Sats week
Friday 26 th May	-	End of Term 5

Please remember parents are welcome to all class assemblies and masses.