



## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Headteacher: Mrs. J Kingston

Friday 13th January 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

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

This morning the Chaplaincy team presented an assembly on how to use the new prayer stations and ways in which the whole school can use kind words and gentle hands to make school the best experience it can be for everyone.

On Wednesday we were visited by one of the organisers of this year's 'Window Wanderland' project who gave the children ideas about how they could decorate the windows at home to take part.

### **Lantern Parade:**

The Bedminster Lantern Parade has been rearranged for next Saturday at 4:30pm. Please join us as we parade with other local primary schools from St Francis Church on North Street to Compass Point School and Children's Centre on South Street. Meet outside St Francis Hall at 4:15pm.

### **Uniform:**

The correct uniform for Term 3 is grey or black trousers or skirts (**not** leggings), a white or red polo shirt, a navy sweatshirt and black shoes (**not** trainers). If you have any questions, please see Miss Sims or myself.

### **INSET:**

The remaining INSET days for this year will be Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April and Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June. School will be closed to pupils on these days for staff training.

### **Dean Lane Bristol Waterworks:**

Work will continue next week to replace the water pipes outside school. There will still be access to school through the normal route but please take extra care when finding a place to park.

### **Homework:**

This week's homework is Maths. Please also continue to read with your child, as well as practising their spellings and tables.



### **School Council:**

Our School Council had their first meeting of the term. They are very excited to announce the first Friendship Friday of the term. All children have the opportunity to sit next to their friends at lunch time. It was a lovely family atmosphere.

### **Childcare Vouchers:**

We are happy to accept childcare vouchers as payment for breakfast club, school dinners and after school clubs. Please see Miss Sims in the school office for more information.

### **Reception Admissions:**

If your child was born between 1.9.2012 and 31.8.2013, he/she can start school in September 2017. The deadline is 15th January 2017 to apply with the council. We have an admission form too which needs to be completed and returned to the school office as soon as possible.

### **Assemblies:**

Celebration Assembly will continue on Monday mornings this term, when the children will receive Learning Skills' Certificates and Citizen Awards. Class Assemblies will continue on Friday mornings and the rota is available on the website. The first class Assembly will begin next Friday with Year 6.

### **Attendance and Punctuality:**

Our attendance target for this academic year is 96.1%. Our current figure is 94.4%. 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 26 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 3 Dates:**

Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	-	PTFA meeting, Steam Crane 7.30pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	-	9.05am Year 6 Assembly
	-	PTFA Coffee morning
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	-	9.05am Year 5 Assembly
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	-	9.05am Year 4 Assembly
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	-	End of Term 3
	-	2.30pm Parent learning and sharing
	-	3.15pm Cake Sale