



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week in school:

We welcomed Reverend Nick from St Paul's Church who presented an Assembly based on God's creation. Pictures are available for you to view on our new website.

The focus of our staff meeting this week was Maths. Staff worked on developing reasoning and problem solving skills for all pupils and strategies for extending the more able. Staff also worked with a curriculum consultant from the Local Authority to evaluate this term's learning in History, Geography and Science.



Goodbyes:

We say goodbye and good luck to Scarlet Lewis from Year 3 today who is moving to a new school nearer her new home. We will miss her kindness and enthusiasm and wish her and her family every success in the future. We are also preparing to say goodbye to Mel Martin, who has worked at Holy Cross as a cleaner for 14 years, after the October half term holiday. If you would like to contribute to her leaving gift please see the School Office. Staff and Governors wish her every success for the future and thank her for all her dedication to our school during her time at Holy Cross.



CAFOD Holy Cross Mile:

The children took part in a sponsored event to raise money for CAFOD yesterday where they walked, ran or skipped a mile around the Key Stage 2 playground. The total number of miles completed was 156. We are very grateful to all those who sponsored the children as we raised an amazing £750 for CAFOD. We would like to give a special mention to Shay, Kianna, Cayden and Amber who raised £410 between the 4 of them!

Collection arrangements:

I have been asked by numerous parents this week to clarify the end of day arrangements. Please be aware that we will not allow the children to leave school unless they have been collected from the teacher by an appropriate adult. Older siblings are no longer allowed to collect younger children and any changes in your child's collection arrangements must be confirmed before we release them. This is for child's safety. Only children in Year 5 and 6 will be allowed to walk home unsupervised and only after permission has been given in writing. If you wish to discuss your individual situation, please do not hesitate to contact me. Year 6 will now stand by the bike racks to the left of the exit. Year 5 will now stand by the boat in the playground. Year 4 will stand outside the Year 2 classroom and Year 3 will stand to the right of the Year 1 classroom door by the benches. Please wait in these new places for your children.

Attendance and Punctuality:

Our attendance target for this academic year is 96.1. Our current figure is 95.4%. Thank you to those who attend regularly. This week our attendance is 95.2%.

This week 18 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

Key Dates:

- 31st October - Start of Term 2
- 4th November - Cake sale after school
- 8th November - School Photographs
- 9th November - PTFA Meeting at the Steam Crane, 7.30pm
- 11th November - Year 3 Class Assembly
- Parent Quiz, time TBD
- 18th November - Year 1 Class Assembly
- Parent Council meeting 9.00am
- 22nd November - Parents Evening
- 23rd November - Parents Evening
- 25th November - Advent Service with Chaplaincy team 9.10am
- 30th November - Year 5/6 Class Mass 11am-12pm
- 9th December - Christmas disco 6-8pm
- 10th December - Bedminster Winter Lantern Parade
- 12th December - EYFS/KS1 Nativity 1-2pm
- 13th December - KS2 Carol Service 6-7pm
- 14th December - EYFS/KS1 Nativity 6-7pm
- 16th December - Last day of term
- Celebration Assembly 9.10am