



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week in school:

Year 5 performed their first class Assembly of this school year. We enjoyed their presentation on treating others as you would like to be treated. It was a lovely start to our day hearing their emotive singing and confident speaking on this important topic.

After the Assembly this morning the Year 5 children served coffee and caked to their families as part of the Macmillan coffee morning. Tom (a Year 1 parent) from the Parent Council hosted their first coffee morning of the year after the Assembly this morning. Parent Council coffee mornings are held on the third Friday of each term and give any parents wishing to find out more about our school or how to become more involved a chance to get together. A Governor and a senior leader from school are always available at this event for you to speak to about general school events, if you wish.

Our wonderful Chaplaincy team attended their first cluster meeting at St Brendan's Sixth Form College. This was an opportunity to be introduced to other Chaplaincy teams in the Diocese. Next week the Chaplaincy team will attend a memorable event where they will be commissioned by the Bishop. Well done Chaplaincy team, great role models for all.

The focus of our staff meeting this week was writing. The staff moderated planning from each year group to ensure full coverage of the National curriculum, and effective planning for specific groups such as the most able and disadvantaged.



Goodbyes:

We say goodbye today to Shrivatsa from Year 1, who is moving to London with his family, and wish him every success for the future.



PTFA News:

The first PTFA cake sale will take place next Friday after school. If you are able to help run this event please see Marisa or leave your name at the School Office. All donations of cakes are gratefully received and they will be sold at a cost of 25p each (with a maximum of 4 per child).

We are very grateful for all the work the PTFA do to raise funds for our school and for the fun events they organise for our children.

After School Clubs:

Many of our ASCs are full and have waiting lists. Please ask Miss Sims if you would like further information and **not** the club leader. We need to make sure it is a fair system for all children and families.

Breakfast Club:

We finish serving breakfast at 8:40am. This is to ensure that the children finish eating before the school day begins, so we ask that if your child needs a breakfast in school they arrive before this time.

Safeguarding:

To ensure we are following all safeguarding procedures we ask that parents do not enter the school building at drop off or collection time without being escorted by a member of staff.

Parking:

Please remember to park safely and sensibly outside school. No vehicles should ever be parked on the zig zags or so that they block the pavement.

Website:

Please take a look at our brand new website.

Attendance and Punctuality:

Our attendance target for this academic year is 96.1 .Our current figure is 95.7%. This week our attendance is 97.6%.

This week 20 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 breakfast club is free.

Thank you for your continued support and interest.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs. J Kingston
Head teacher

Dates for your diary:

- 7th October - Year 4 Class Assembly
- Cake sale after school
- 9th October - Parent Work Day 10am-2pm
- 14th October - Year 2 Class Assembly
- Movie Night 6-8pm
- 21st October - Celebration Assembly 9.10am
- Parent sharing and learning 2.30pm
- End of Term 1
- 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