



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Next week we will hold our first 'Relationship Week' at Holy Cross, during which the children will learn about creating and sustaining positive relationships in all aspects of their lives. We feel this is essential to ensure our children are fully prepared for life in Modern Britain. At the heart of this teaching will be our Gospel value of 'treating others as you would like to be treated'. After watching the world news recently, we believe it is increasingly important that we teach our children the values of respect and tolerance for everyone. We are very fortunate here at Holy Cross that we have such a diverse community and the House Captains are currently planning a 'Multi-Cultural Week' to celebrate all the wonderful cultures of the families in our school. If you are able to offer time to talk to the children about your family's cultural experiences or lead a cookery or musical activity please see your child's teacher.

This week in school:

Y5 performed at the Colston Hall in a Summer Concert on both Tuesday afternoon and evening. The children sang beautifully and really enjoyed the experience. Senior Leaders held pupil progress meetings with all staff to discuss the progress and attainment of every pupil in the school since last September. The class teachers clearly know their pupils well and we are proud of how hard the children have worked this year and of how much they have achieved. Thank you for working with us to help our children make as much progress as possible.

50 years of Holy Cross School:

On September 11th 2016 Holy Cross Primary School will be 50 years old. We will celebrate this special occasion on Friday 9th September with Mass, a concert and a PTFA organised family 'barbecue and bounce' after school. If you know of any former pupils or staff who could contribute to our memory book or would like to attend, please ask them to contact the school before the school Summer holiday.

Teacher's Strike

On Tuesday 5th July there is a national teacher's strike. This will have no effect on Holy Cross, we will be open as normal.

Breakfast Club:

We are currently recruiting an extra member of staff for our wonderfully successful breakfast club. If you are interested in applying for this position, please see Mrs. Kingston.

Secondhand uniform/Cake Sale

The PTFA is holding a secondhand uniform sale on 8th July along with a Cake Sale after school in the KS1 playground. Please bring all outgrown uniforms, PE kits and book bags to your teacher before 6th July.



Staffing update:

Next Friday will be our 'Shuffle up' afternoon in school when the children will spend some time getting to know their new teacher for next year.

Reception – Miss Emma Stroud

Year 1 – Miss Yvette Rosolek

Year 2 – Mrs Amanda Killa

Year 3 – Mrs Jane Edwards

Year 4 – Miss Katie Ormsby

Year 5 – Mrs Claire Eke

Year 6 – Mrs Rachael James

PPA and Intervention teachers – Mrs Catriona Alexander and Mrs Kath Corfield

Mrs Davies will be leaving us at the end of this academic year. The staff and Governors would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication to the children in her care since she began teaching our Reception class last January. We all wish her well in her future endeavours.

Free tickets for the cricket:

One of our parents has donated 10 free tickets for the T20 Blast Cricket match on Wednesday evening at 6:30pm. If you are able to take advantage of this amazing opportunity please go to the Office. We will allocate on a first come first served basis.

School Photos

If you wish to purchase the class school photos, please return the order form with the correct money in a sealed envelope by Tuesday 12th July.

Reception Class Outside Area:

A reminder to please not let your children play on the equipment meant for our EYFS children before or after school. The Reception team spend a lot of time setting up activities for the children to use and it is frustrating if they have to do this twice.

Attendance and punctuality:

Our attendance target for this year is 96.1%. Our figure for this week was 95.7%. Overall this year, our attendance figure is 95.6%.

This week, 24 children were late to school.

Well done and thank you to all those children who attend regularly and on time.

Thank you for your continued support and interest.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs. J Kingston
Acting Head teacher

Reminder of dates for this term:

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| 8th | -End of year reports out
-Moving up day 1.30p.-2.30pm (New Reception pupils will be invited in)
-Cake and Secondhand Uniform Sale |
| 12th | -KS2 Sports Day |
| 13th | -Reserve KS2 Sports Day |
| 14th | -KS1 Sports Day |
| 15th | -Reserve KS1 Sports Day
-No Celebration Assembly |
| 18th | -Celebration Assembly 9.15am
-Open Evening about Reports 3.30-4.30pm |
| 19th | -Year 6 performance 2pm |
| 21st | -End of year whole school mass 11-12am |
| 22nd | -Leavers assembly 2pm
-Last day of term 6 |