



# Holy Family School Newsletter - 23

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021

*'With Christ at the centre, we live, love and learn together,  
reaching out to all. Together, with Jesus, we can do it!'*



*'Only the best is good enough'*

## PTA 'BEND THE RULES' DAY - FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup>

### APRIL

Wow! Our children certainly know how to 'Bend the Rules'. It was lovely to see them all taking part and having a 'day off' from following the school rules.

Thank goodness it was only for one day - Mr. Quigley would be a nervous wreck if it was more often!!



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## PARENT'S EVENING

As you know, we are under strict Covid restrictions and because of these we are unable to hold our normal

Parent's Evening. As we did in November, we are proposing that we have a telephone conversation with you to discuss targets, behaviour etc. These calls will last no more than 10 minutes and cannot overrun as we will have parents waiting for their call.

You will be able to book your call via Parent App. We will let you know when you can do this. This is as strange to us as I'm sure it is for you, but we feel it is important that we keep you up to date on your children's progress and share celebrations and concerns with us.

The dates of the phone calls will be split across three evenings for most classes from 3:30pm till 5:20pm.

The dates will be Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May (Nursery 2 to Yr 6), Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May (Nursery 2 to Year 6) and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May (Nursery 2 to Year 6).

Nursery 2 children are the older children in our Nursery who will be going into a Reception class in September 2021. Nursery 1, our younger children in Nursery who still have another year left in Nursery and do not go into Reception class until September 2022 will not be having a parents evening appointment but will have a chance to have a catch-up chat with our Nursery staff at the end of term in July if you wish to.

Thank you for your support

## VIRTUAL SPORTS EVENTS

This half term's virtual challenges are superhero themed. Children will be taking part in lesson time.

For years 1 and 2 there is a Superman Plank competition, for years 3 and 4 a Spiderman Hang competition and for years 5 and 6 a Hulk Hold competition.

Good Luck everyone!



## KEY REMINDERS:

Only **one adult** to enter the premises for drop off and pick up.

When approaching and entering/leaving the school premises, face coverings must be worn unless exempt. Face coverings must be worn even if you have received your first or second vaccination.

You must arrive and leave promptly when dropping off/ collecting your child - please do not congregate as we know that the virus is easily transmitted from person to person.

## TIES AND BAGS

In school we have ties, rucksacks, book bags and P.E. bags for sale:



Prices are as follows:

Ties - elasticate and standard £4.50

P.E. Bags - £3.50

Rucksacks - £14.00

Book bags - £7.00

Please contact the school office if you need to purchase any of these items.

### ST. GEORGE'S DAY

As St. George's day falls on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, the children as usual on one of the 4 Patron Saints Day will be allowed to come into school wearing non uniform - red and white clothing or red and white accessories. If your child has P.E. on this day, they can come into school wearing their school P.E. kit with red and white accessories or any red and white P.E. appropriate sportswear.



### BREAKFAST CLUB

We still have places available in our school breakfast club. The breakfast club is a great childcare offer and helps many working parents. Our breakfast club offers a healthy substantial breakfast for all children from Reception class up to Year 6 and is still only priced at £2.50 for the first child and £2.00 for any additional siblings. Please contact the school office if you would like to enquire about our breakfast club.



### READING AT HOME

As parents you are your child's first educators. You play a crucial part in helping us to get your child where they need to be in reading. Reading is a fundamental part of your child's learning and reading gives them the skills to access all lessons. We have invested a lot of money in reading materials both on-line and a book scheme. We need your support by reading regularly with your child. Teachers will continue to monitor home reading and have full access to who is reading the eBooks allocated on the Oxford Owl reading portal.



### REPORTING ABSENCES

All parents must report their child's absence using the Parent App rather than phoning the school. Please update Parent App at weekends and not to the school email as we have constant access to Parent App messages but not emails. We would really appreciate this as we then do not have to phone families via our first morning response calls and it will also free up our telephone lines too.

**If your child is ill or feeling unwell in any way (regardless of symptoms) please do not send them to school.**

**If your child or anyone in your household displays any symptoms of coronavirus you must not send your child to school.**

### FAMILY LEARNING

The Family Learning service have developed numeracy packs, containing fun activities to help you to support your child with maths. If your child is in Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, or Y6 and you would like to request a pack, all you need to do is contact Vicky Powell directly on the details below. Packs will be delivered to school with your child's name on and you will complete the activities with your child/ children at home.

**If you are interested in taking part, please contact Vicky directly on the details below, with YOUR NAME, your child's NAME, SCHOOL and CLASS:**

**Phone number: 07825 117 487**

### MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Can all children who have instrumental lessons in school (years 5 and 6) please ensure that they bring their instruments into school on the day they have their lessons. It is important that the children are engaged and able to participate in these lessons on a weekly basis.

### P.E. KITS

Please make a note of the PE days for your child's class for the rest of this term. Some of the days may have changed due to timetable changes for PPA with Mr Dooley etc for this term.

**Rec D and Rec M - Wednesday**

**Yr 1W - Tuesday and Thursday**

**Yr 1/2J - Tuesday and Thursday**

**Yr 2ON - Tuesday and Thursday**

**Yr 3M - Monday and Friday**

**Yr 3/4W - Tuesday and Friday**

**Yr 4D - Monday and Thursday**

**Yr 5Mc - Wednesday and Friday**

**Yr 5/6SF - Monday and Wednesday**

**Yr 6B - Monday and Friday**

