



Holy Family School Newsletter - 7

Friday 22nd October 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'

Y6 CLASS MASS

Fr. Matthew was in school on Wednesday 20th October to celebrate mass with the children in Y6. It was lovely to have the time to sit quietly, pray and take time to ourselves. The children read beautifully and Fr. Matthew was very impressed with them. Well done Year 6!

Y5 CLC

On Monday, the children in Year 5 had a lovely day and lots of fun with Kitty from the CLC. The children looked at the topic of VR worlds. They explored different VR games, and from this created a book using Book Creator to explain what VR is.

RECEPTION ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2021

Can we please remind parents of Nursery children who are due to move to Reception in September that by having a Nursery place at our school does not guarantee your child a place in our Reception. If you are applying for a catholic place, your child **MUST** be baptised catholic before the admission closing date of 15th January 2022. Here is the link for our admissions policy on our school website:

<https://holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk/about/admissions-information-policy/>

SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

A reminder to all Y6 parents of the closing date of 31st October for Secondary School Admissions!

ST. JULIE'S ADMISSIONS

Please see below information we have been asked to share with the parents of Y6 girls from St. Julie's:

For the parents of girls in Year 6 who are interested in applying to St Julie's Catholic High School for the next academic year, please remember to submit our Supplementary Application Form in addition to your Local Authority Preference Form **by the deadline date of 31 October 2021**. This can be found on our website

www.stjulies.org.uk by selecting the Admissions tab at the top of the page followed by the Supplementary Admissions Form tab. If you need help or support please email admissions@stjulies.org.uk or call 0151 428 6421.

ATTENDANCE NEWS

The race for our Pizza Party is on!! Remember any class that gets 100% receives 2 green marks that week!! Attendance for this week from the 18th October to 22nd October is as follows: No class had 100% this week. Well done RM for getting on the green!!! **NO REDS THIS WEEK - WELL DONE!!**
Green - 97%+, Yellow - 94%+, Red - 93.9% & below

Class	% score	Rating	Total amount of green won this term
Ms O'Neill (Yr6)	97%	Green	3
Mrs. Davies/Mrs Faulkner (Yr5/6)	96%	Yellow	3
Ms McCoy (Yr5)	96%	Yellow	5
Ms Monaghan (Yr4)	95%	Yellow	4
Ms Williams (Yr3/4)	99%	Green	4
Mrs. Davey (Yr3)	96%	Yellow	4
Ms Jones (Yr2)	98%	Green	7
Ms Donohue (Yr1/2)	94%	Yellow	2
Ms Wiggins (Yr1)	97%	Green	5
Ms Kendall (Rec)	95%	Yellow	5
Ms Mottram (Rec)	97%	Green	1

CRAZY HAIR DAY

Wow! It was amazing to see so many different and original 'crazy hair styles' today and at the same time raising funds for our PTA!

DODGEBALL COMPETITION

Congratulations to our Y5 Dodgeball Team who took part in a competition in Kirkby High School on Monday after school. The children played really well and came 2nd in their group, narrowly missing out on a place in the final!

Thank you to the parents who managed to collect their children from Kirkby.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

As you are all aware, October is Black History Month in the UK, an event that has been celebrated for more than 30 years. This week the children have been learning about important events and influential black men and women, who have made an impact on the UK, throughout the centuries. In the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1, the children have been learning all about Marcus Rashford and Trent Alexander - Arnold and how their campaigns off the pitch have helped people. Years 3 and 4 have been learning all about the history and journey of HMT Empire Windrush and why the Windrush generation decided to make the journey to Britain. Years 5 and 6 have been researching influential people ranging from John Blanke who was a trumpeter in the court of Henry VII and Henry VIII to our current Mayor Joanne Anderson.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

For the children who have not yet made their First Holy Communion from Year 4 upwards, a letter was sent out on the app earlier this week with information from the With You Always team from St. John Vianney. If you wish your child to make their First Holy Communion please remember to attend the meeting for catholic parents/guardians to register your child for Reconciliation and Holy Communion at **St Mark's Catholic Church on Monday 1st November at 6pm.**

PTA ASDA GREEN TOKENS

Please remember to vote again for the Asda Green Tokens on Friday and each Friday until the closing date of midnight on Tuesday 30th November. Please ask any family members and neighbours to vote for our school by visiting www.asda.com/green-tokens and selecting Hunts Cross from the drop down box. We were in the lead at one point but have slipped to 2nd! Please do try to vote!

AUTUMN TERM PTA EVENTS

- Santa Dash 10/12/2021
- Christmas sale Hot chocolate cones, reindeer food etc (Date to be confirmed)
- Christmas movie day with own clothes and sweets provided £1 donation (last week of term date tbc)
- Ongoing weekly PTA lotto

The PTA are raising funds for our 'Wellbeing Garden' amongst other things.



ATTENDANCE

Please see below information received from the DFE:

School attendance from DFE to all schools As the new Secretary of State for Education has made clear, young people regularly attending school is a national priority and is important for their education, wellbeing, and long-term development. This is particularly true for children who were persistently absent before the pandemic or who are at risk of becoming persistently absent. Attendance continues to be mandatory for all pupils of compulsory school age and schools should communicate clear and consistent expectations about attendance.

COVID TESTING AFTER HALF TERM

Testing during half-term is very important and we would like all schools to emphasise this in your end of term messages. In particular, testing at home before students return to their setting after half-term will be key to starting back in the best way possible. We are encouraging all families to test before their child returns to school on Monday 1st November 2021.

FLU IMMUNISATION

Please remember to complete your eConsent flu vaccination form by following the link below: <https://forms.mersecare.nhs.uk/flu-vaccination>

Included with the link could you please send communication informing all parents and carers of the following important information:

The eConsent form **MUST** be submitted 48hours prior to us coming into school otherwise we cannot guarantee the consent form will be processed in time for us to vaccinate their child in school.

This year we will be sending post immunisation advice to the email that was provided in the eConsent form. Anyone who has not provided an email address will receive a paper copy.

The immunisation team will be in school to administer the flu immunisation on Monday 8th November, therefore all eConsent forms must be completed no later than Friday 5th November. Once you have completed an eConsent form it will not allow you to complete another, to make any changes you will need to contact our team on 0151 676 5141.

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR

The Archdiocese have appointed Mrs. Rigby as a Foundation Governor on our Governing Body. We are delighted with this appointment as I am sure you all will be to see Mrs. Rigby continuing to be a part of our school community!

SWIMMING LESSONS

Children from years 3 to 6 will be taking part in their swimming lessons week beginning 1st November: The children will go swimming for 4 days each week for 2 weeks with year 5 and year 6 going on:

Tuesday 2nd November 2021 and on the following dates:

Wednesday 3rd November, Thursday 4th November, Friday 5th November and the following week on Tuesday 9th November, Wednesday 10th November, Thursday 11th November and Friday 12th November 2021. All sessions for Y5 & Y6 will be from 10.30 to 11.30a.m.

Year 3 and Year 4 will be going on:

Tuesday 16th November 2021 and on the following dates:

Wednesday 17th November, Thursday 18th November, Friday 19th November and the following week on Tuesday 23rd November, Wednesday 24th November, Thursday 25th November and Friday 26th November 2021. All swimming sessions for Y3 & Y4 will be from 9.30 to 10.30a.m.

A letter with more information has been sent out to Y5 & 6 parents on the app. A letter will be sent to the parents of Y3 & 4 pupils after half term.

LOST PROPERTY

If you are missing any items of uniform, please call into the school office to look at our 'Lost Property'. Please ensure all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name as it is difficult in returning items to children not labelled.

COVID 19 UPDATE

We continue to be vigilant for COVID 19 with our COVID 19 risk assessment as we are aware that this virus still has not gone away. You will already know that whenever we are informed of a positive case a whole class 'bubble' or family household no longer has to self-isolate as per government guidelines and schools do not have to complete track and trace for the NHS. Knowsley Council have asked all schools to send a warn and inform letter to a class if a positive case is reported to school. Children in that class and the rest of the school should continue to attend school but we would always ask you to monitor for any potential symptoms.

Of course, by choosing to send the warn and inform letter out to a particular class we are conscious that some parents may speculate and cause panic within the community. I would ask you to be sensitive to people's privacy and trust the school to do the best that we can.

KNOWSLEY COUNCIL CHILDCARE

Please see below information received from Knowsley Council:

Dear Parents/Carers

In order for us to ensure we have enough childcare in the borough it would help us if all parents/carers would complete the Knowsley Childcare Sufficiency Survey- <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/K38GFGB>

The information you provide will help us to make plans for future childcare and inform current childcare providers about what parents need.

Thank you for taking the time to complete.

Knowsley Early Years Team

FAMILY LEARNING

Please see fliers attached to the end of this week's newsletter from Family Learning regarding a free Reception Phonics Workshop

LSC SPORTS

Please see fliers at the end of the newsletter from LSC - our new sports provider regarding sports clubs.

HALF TERM

It has been a long but action packed half term. We finish for the half term holidays at 3.15p.m today and return to school at the usual times on Monday 1st November.

CLOCKS GO BACK

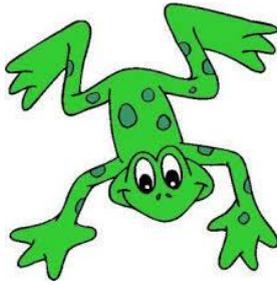
Please remember to change your clocks! The clocks go back one hour at 2.00a.m. on Sunday 31st October.

Turn the clocks back

Remember to move your clocks back one hour.



Reception Phonics Workshop



We would like to invite parents and carers of children who are new to Reception Class this year, to join in with our **FREE** Phonics session over Zoom. You will receive ideas and activities that will help you to support your child with their reading and writing in their first year of school. We will look at phonics in the Foundation Stage and how it is used to help your child learn to read and write.

There will be opportunities for you to ask any questions you have.

Anyone who attends will receive a FREE bag of resources to use at home with your child.

There are 4 sessions for you to pick from. You only need to attend 1 of them.

Monday 1st November 2021, 1-2pm with Sharon

Tuesday 2nd November 2021, 10-11am with Ann

Wednesday 3rd November 2021, 1-2pm with Ann

Thursday 4th November 2021, 10-11am with Sharon

For more information and the Zoom code please contact:

Ann Curley 07825 117 482

ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk

or

[Sharon Fitzgerald 07825 117 499](mailto:Sharon.fitzgerald@knowsley.gov.uk)

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FREE – 3 week Zoom course

Early English Share



This 3 week course is for parents/ carers of children in
Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

**Starts on Wednesday 3rd November 2021,
10-11am on Zoom**

Each week in the 3 week Share course, parents and carers are helped to plan and create learning activities that are fun for both themselves and their child. Activities are carried out once a week at home. The following week, we will discuss how that activity went and will plan a new one.

Share is an opportunity for parents/carers to support their children's learning and to build positive relationships, through activities that they can enjoy with their child at any time - after school, at weekends, or in the holidays.

You will be provided with all the resources to make the games and activities which will be yours to keep at the end of the course.

For more information or to book your place, please contact

Vicky Powell - 07825 117 487

Victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk

Please include your name, your child's name and school and a contact number

FREE – 3 week course

Story Sacks



We would like to invite parents and carers of children age from Nursery to Year2 to join in with our **FREE 3 WEEK** Storysacks course.

The sessions will be fun and informal and will:

- Give parents ideas for how they can ensure learning activities are successful;
- Give parents ideas about how to engage children with reading and bring books to life;
- Give parents an opportunity to make and play fun activities with their child;
- Show parents how to make puppets and props to support story telling.

All resources will be provided **FREE OF CHARGE**
Sessions will be for one hour per week via Zoom, starting week of 8th November

To book a place, choose the session which suits you best and contact the relevant person.
Please include your name, your child's name and school and a contact number

Sharon Fitzgerald - 07825 117 499 Sharon.fitzgerald@knowsley.gov.uk for
Tuesday sessions 10-11am starting 9th November

Vicky Powell - 07825 117 487 victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk for
Wednesday sessions 1-2pm starting 10th November

Ann Curley - 07825 117 482 ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk for
Thursday sessions 10-11am starting 11th November

HOLIDAY COURSES

Multi-Sports & Football



WHERE

Gateacre School
Hedgefield Rd, Liverpool, L25 2RW

WHEN

25th - 29th October 2021

9.30am - 3.30pm

Wraparound care available from
8am - 6pm
(Don't forget to add this to your shopping cart)

Book Now



LSC Merseyside

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FREE DAY!
With a full
weeks booking

Contact us:
littlesportscoaching.co.uk
0800 032 1806

Courses from £19 per day
Reception - Y6 / Boys & Girls



Preparing players for matches,
in a safe & structured environment!

WHERE (starting 1/11/21)

Halewood Academy
The Avenue, Liverpool, L26 1UU

WHEN:

MONDAY

6pm-7pm

5-8 Years old

Book Now!



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