



# Holy Family School Newsletter - 3

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 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'*

### Y6ON CLC VISIT IN SCHOOL

On Monday, the children in Year 6ON had a really exciting day as they had a visit from Kitty from the CLC. They used CoSpaces to create their own scenes and VR story. After creating their own VR world the children created a book using Book Creator to explain what VR is. It was a lot of fun and very creative!

### Y5 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Our Y5 football team took part in their first football tournament on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at Halewood Academy. The boys played really well as a team, winning 2 games and losing 2, this was a great result as they had never played together as a team! Well done boys!

### SCHOOL UNIFORM RULES

A few gentle reminders of things we have noticed in school recently:

Can we please remind all parents that children are not allowed to wear nail varnish or false nails for school. All children with shoulder length hair must wear their hair tied back at all times.

Earrings, although we do allow small stud earrings to be worn, they are not allowed to be worn for any P.E. lessons. Ideally earrings should be removed on the day your child has P.E., if this is not possible can you please send in plasters with your child that they can place over their earrings when taking part in PE.

### Lunch boxes and healthy snack.

As we have a few children and staff with nut allergies in school, can we please remind everyone that any food containing nuts are not to be brought into school for lunch or healthy snacks.

Thank you for your support.

### PLAYGROUND PLAY EQUIPMENT

Can we please remind all parents that the children are not allowed to use the play equipment on the playground before or after school. All children should be dropped off at the designated doors and collected and left immediately to ease congestion. We have now opened the green double gates and yellow gates leading onto the car park for KS2 parents to use to leave school after collecting your child to help the congestion building up at the green gate at the top of the playground, please do use this as an exit route.

### 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 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September is as follows, it is very disappointing to see 3 reds!!: Come on children make sure your class gets in the green zone for you Pizza Party!!

**Green - 97%+, Yellow - 94%+, Red - 93.9% & below**

Class	% score	Rating	Total amount of green won this term
Ms O'Neill (Yr6O'N)	92%	Red	0
Mrs. Davies/Mrs Faulkner (Yr5/6DF)	98%	Green	1
Ms McCoy (Yr5Mc)	99%	Green	3
Ms Monaghan (Yr4M)	96%	Yellow	1
Ms Williams (Yr3/4W)	95%	Green	0
Mrs. Davey (Yr3D)	92%	Red	2
Ms Jones (Yr2J)	97%	Green	4
Ms Donohue (Yr1/2D)	93%	Red	0
Ms Wiggins (Yr1W)	97%	Green	2
Ms Kendall (Rec K)	99%	Green	3
Ms Mottram (Rec M)	94%	Yellow	0

### SEPTEMBER ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

Please take time to read our September online which you can find on our website.

[https://holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Online-Safety-Newsletter-Sept-2021\\_HF-Halewood.pdf](https://holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Online-Safety-Newsletter-Sept-2021_HF-Halewood.pdf)

### FAMILY LEARNING EVENTS

Please see attachments at the end of this week's newsletter regarding the many various courses held for parents by Vicky Powell from Family Learning.

### FLU IMMUNISATION

Please see information received from Knowsley  
Immunisation team:

Could you please promote the flu link below to parent/carers weekly and include in your school newsletters to ensure we receive a good uptake to protect the children and families of Knowsley from flu. Once a parent/carer has completed an eConsent form it will not allow them to complete another, to make any changes they will need to contact our team on 0151 676 5141. <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 48 hours prior to us coming into school otherwise we can not 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 8<sup>th</sup> November, therefore all eConsent forms must be completed no later than Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

### SEFTON AFGHAN APPEAL

We have all seen the plight of the Afghan people on T.V. Holy Family would like to give as much support as possible to the various appeals set up in Liverpool. We would be extremely grateful if you could donate toiletry and sanitary items to this worthwhile and much needed cause.

We are asking for donations of:

Soap, Shower Gel, Shampoo, Toothpaste and  
Toothbrushes.

Nappies and Sanitary products.

The newly elected School Council will hopefully meet with the volunteers who are working hard to offer support to people arriving in Liverpool.

Thank you for your support.

### LOST PROPERTY

We currently have in lost property:

2 jumpers - size 28 and size 32

4 cardigans - 1 size 30, 2 size 30 and 1 size 28.

We also have a blue Benetton jacket size medium. If your child is missing any of these items and you have not labelled them, please call into the school office to collect them.

### PTA AGM

Our PTA will be holding their AGM on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September via Zoom. 'Over recent years our PTA has continued to grow but as children move to secondary school's numbers can drop off. We are actively seeking new members to join our PTA. If you can donate some time to help us run events, we would love to have you!'

Sian Kilty is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Holy Family PTA AGM

Time: Sep 27, 2021 05:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7666055949?pwd=RzJ1c2p0bXFhclAxcE5sZDFrczlaQT09>

Meeting ID: 766 605 5949

### PTA LOTTO

CALLING ALL PARENTS!! Help our school PTA raise funds for our children. Sign up to our school lottery and be in with the chance to win £250 worth of Lego. Please click the link to join today

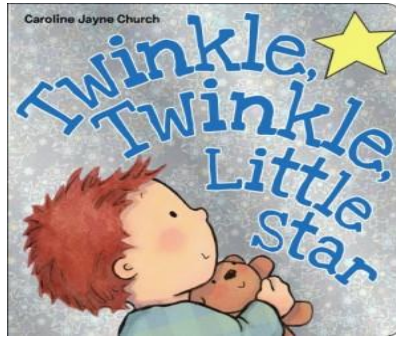
<https://t.co/L99nEwjy42>

### PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2022

The online admission portal for both Knowsley and Liverpool Council are now available. **The closing date for Primary admissions is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022, the closing date for Secondary schools is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021.** If you live in Knowsley and are applying for either a Knowsley or Liverpool School, you must still complete the Knowsley online form. If you live in Liverpool and are applying for either a Knowsley or Liverpool School, you must complete the Liverpool online form.

If you are applying for a catholic place for our reception class, your child **must be baptised** before the closing date of 15<sup>th</sup> January as we only have 35 catholic places available and are oversubscribed. Everyone applying for a catholic place must complete a Supplementary Faith Form which can be found on Knowsley Council website, or you can collect one from the school office. These must be completed and **returned to the school office** before the deadline of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022. If you need any help in completing the online form or have any questions, please contact Mrs. Wall in the school office.

# Rhyme Time with Knowsley Family Learning



We would like to invite parents and carers of babies age 0-1 to join in with our **FREE** Rhyme Time sessions. You will receive ideas and activities that will help you to share nursery rhymes with your baby.

The sessions will be fun and informal and will:

- Include a range of nursery rhymes for you to enjoy with your baby
  - Give parents ideas for how to engage their baby with the rhymes
  - Each week you will make a prop to bring the nursery rhyme to life
  - Show parents how singing and talking to your baby can aid their development
  - Look at how children learn through play
  - Give parents ideas for fun activities to do with your child which will help them to learn
- All resources will be provided **FREE OF CHARGE**

This is a 3 week programme and sessions will take place via zoom.

**To find out more or to book your place please contact:**

**Monday 1-2pm starting 27<sup>th</sup> September**

**Vicky Powell 07825 117 487 or email [Victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:Victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk)**

**Tuesday 10-11am starting 28<sup>th</sup> September**

**Ann Curley on 07825 117 482 or email [ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk)**

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# Ready for School with Knowsley Family Learning



We would like to invite parents and carers of children who are new to Reception Class this year, to join in with our **FREE** Ready for School sessions. You will receive ideas and activities that will help you to support your child in their first year of school.

This is a 3-week course over zoom, sessions will be fun and informal and will last about an hour, they will include:

- Session 1- Ready to Learn, we will look at what children need to learn and how parents can support this, including giving parents ideas for how to teach their children new skills, how to give descriptive praise, how to give clear instructions and looking at how children learn through play.
- Session 2- Ready for Reading and Writing, we will look at how children learn to read, look at the writing journey, and explore ideas and activities for how parents can support their children.
- Session 3- Ready for Maths, this will include looking at the maths skills children are taught in Reception and how parents can support these skills with fun activities.
- Explore how parents can prepare children for school and encourage confidence and independence.

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

The course starts on:  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 10-11am

For more information and the Zoom code please call or email:

**Vicky Powell**  
**Mobile: 07825 117 487**  
Email - [Victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:Victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk)

# 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 2 sessions for you to pick from. You only need to attend 1 of them.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 10-11am

**OR**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021, 1-2pm

For more information and the Zoom code please contact:

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# Story Sacks for 0-3's



This 3 week course will be delivered remotely. You will receive a book and all the resources you need, then meet as a small group via zoom to discuss the activities.

## What are Story Sacks?

A story sack is a large cloth bag containing a good quality storybook with supporting materials, such as puppets, soft toys and a game to stimulate reading and language activities.

Story Sacks are designed to help adults share books with children in a way that is positive, theatrical, special, interactive and fun.

The Story Sacks course runs for 3 weeks, and all resources are provided free of charge.

To book a place, choose the session you would like to attend and ring, text or email:

Wednesday 10-11am starting on 29<sup>th</sup> September

Ann Curley on 07825 117 482 or email [ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk)

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Website: [www.holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk](http://www.holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk) Twitter: @HFHalewood Parent App: Contact school for more information

# **FREE – 3 week course**

## **Story Sacks**



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

Starting  
Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> September, 1-2pm

You will be provided with books and resources to make all the items for your Story Sack which will be yours to keep at the end of the course. Within the Zoom group you will make the resources week to week then use them with your child at home.

During the session we will discuss the benefits of sharing books and will make the various parts of your Story Sack.

**ALL RESOURCES WILL BE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE**

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