



Holy Family School Newsletter - 11

Friday 19th November 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'

YR 5MC CLASS MASS

Fr. Matthew was in school on Wednesday 17th November to celebrate mass with the children in Y5Mc. 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 Y5Mc.

ADVENT 2021

ADVENT GIVING PROJECT:

Don't forget, next week we begin our Advent Giving Project. Your child should know their number for the day in December in which they should bring in an item for the Foodbank, if you are able to. More details can be found on the letter sent out on the app yesterday.

ADVENT SERVICE:

On Tuesday, each class will take part in a virtual Advent Service to reflect on the important season ahead. These will take place in their own class led by the children and their teachers. In normal times, we would have invited parents in to 'Stay and Pray' with us but obviously, due to restrictions, we are unable to do that this year. However, please know, you will all be in our prayers.

POSADA:

The Posada has been a popular, annual tradition here at Holy Family for many, many years. This is the time when Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus, or, the Holy Family, journey from house to house to help us reflect on the birth of Jesus. However, once again this year we won't be able to let our children take part in this activity, due to restrictions. But, not one to let a problem beat us, plans are afoot for an alternative Posada for 2020!
Watch this space for more details.....

PTA NEWS

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!

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 15th to 19th November is as follows: Well done to Y2J who had 100% again this week and received 2 greens! It is disappointing to see 4 reds this week!
Green - 97%+, Yellow - 94%+, Red - 93.9% & below

Class	% score	Rating	Total amount of green won this term
Ms O'Neill (Yr6)	93%	Red	5
Mrs Macaulay/Mrs Faulkner (Yr5/6)	90%	Red	3
Ms McCoy (Yr5)	98%	Green	8
Ms Monaghan (Yr4)	97%	Green	7
Ms Williams (Yr3/4)	97%	Green	7
Mrs. Davey (Yr3)	89%	Red	5
Ms Jones (Yr2)	100%	Green	12
Ms Donohue (Yr1/2)	91%	Red	4
Ms Wiggins (Yr1)	99%	Green	8
Ms Kendall (Rec)	94%	Yellow	7
Ms Mottram (Rec)	99%	Green	4

PTA

If you haven't already managed to download the Morrisons Grow App, please do try to download this as the PTA are collecting Morrisons Grow Tokens to get FREE gardening equipment for our school! We've got 740 Grow Tokens so far, help us reach our target of 2500. With MyMorrisons collect when you shop <https://t.co/HOb04Wu7a5>

LOTTERY

Just a reminder that you can join our PTA school Lotto.
Support your school - Play Your School Lottery!
<https://t.co/UPJWwEhrK4>

Please do try to vote!



AMAZON SMILE

The PTA set up a new thing called amazon smile it's a way for us to make money through other people shopping.

Please click on the link

when you shop on Amazon, and order as normal and the PTA will get 0.5% of all eligible purchases !

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1015319-0>

SANTA DASH

Please see attached a letter and a Santa Dash flier at the end of the newsletter from the PTA.

We will send the sponsor forms home in the children's book bags on Monday. Please check your child's bag or this.

FUNDING

We have been successful in securing funding to have a daily mile track installed on our front playground. This work will take place during next week.

We have also secured funding from Halewood Town Council towards our Wellbeing Garden.

FAMILY OF ANN DAVIS

As many of you have probably heard, Ann Davis' family very kindly asked for donations following the passing of Ann to be made for the Wellbeing Garden at our school. Julie and Susan came into school this morning to present us with the donations totalling £1700 with more to follow! We would like to say a huge thank you to Julie, Susan, all Ann's family and everyone who made a donation.

Thank you so much!



FAMILY OF CHRIS DOOLEY

Following the passing of Chris Dooley, a long serving governor of our school, her family have made a donation of £1000 towards our Wellbeing Garden. We would like to say a huge thank you to Paul, Andrew and all Chris's family.

Thank you so much!

We are overwhelmed by the generosity of both families, especially to think of our school at such a sad time!

BE BRIGHT & BE SEEN

this winter



When the clocks go back it will start getting dark earlier on. This makes it more important than ever to make sure that you can be seen when you're out and about near roads.

How many ways can you think of to make yourself bright?

Check over the page for some top tips!

5 top tips on how to BE BRIGHT & BE SEEN

- 1** Brightly coloured or fluorescent clothing shows up well in daylight and at dusk when you're heading to and from school.
- 2** If you're out and about when it's dark wear reflective items to make sure you can be seen in car headlights. Reflective vests, sashes or wristbands work well. Remember, fluorescent clothing doesn't work after dark!
- 3** Don't forget to accessorise! Even small items such as clip on reflectors, armbands and stickers on your outfit or school bag are a great way to improve your visibility.
- 4** If you like to cycle, remember that it's the law to have clean and working lights at night (white at the front, red at the back), as well as a rear reflector. It's good to fit spoke reflectors too.
- 5** Of course, 'Being Bright' helps drivers to see you but that won't guarantee that you keep safe. You still need to make sure that you stop and look in all directions for traffic every time you cross.

Be Bright,
Be Seen

THINK

Would you like to enter a comic book competition? You have until Friday 26th November to participate.

Return your comic back to your teacher or share your photos by tagging @BL_Learning on Twitter.

So what is a hero?

If you were a superhero what special powers would you have? Would you fly, crawl up walls, time travel or fire laser beams from your hands? Would you like to move objects with mind control or shape shift into any animal form?

You don't need to be magic to be heroic! Heroes can have superpowers, but they can also be people you meet in everyday life...

How is your hero super?

- Has your hero been on a journey that has tested their resilience?
- Does your hero help fight climate change? Do they plant seeds to grow flowers to help butterflies?
- Does your hero turn the tap off to save water when brushing their teeth? Have they made a poster about pollution or clean energy?
- Does your hero stand up to bullies?
- Is your hero a brilliant scientist, activist, nurse, teacher or athlete?
- Has your hero performed a small act of kindness such as being friendly to stop someone feeling lonely?
- Is your hero epic like Thor, Zeus or Gaia?
- Does your superhero have two or more identities, like Superman or Spider-Man?

Heroes can:

- Help make the world a better place.
 - Break the mould.
- Be shy or confident, quiet or loud.
- Come in all shapes and sizes – not just 'big and strong!'
 - Be brave.
- Be courageous and resilient.

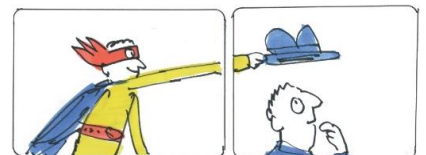
What will your hero wear?

What kind of superhero costume and accessories would your hero have?

A mask, a cape for invisibility, an iron suit for protection, a gadget belt, rocket blaster boots, or a chameleon coat with a special pattern to help them blend in anywhere? They may simply have special hair or a heroically huge smile!

TOP TIPS!

1. Think about scale. Place something big next to something small. Contrasts in scale create a sense of drama.
2. A point of view will help your reader empathise with a character.
3. Draw characters or objects bursting out beyond your boxes ...or reaching out from one box to another.



3rd Annual Santa Dash

Dear Parents,

We are thrilled to announce the return of our fun filled Santa Dash! This is always a much-loved event by all of the children and a chance for them to make money and run around before Christmas.

Children will run laps of the yard as agreed by staff. There will be Christmas tunes playing and the yard will look as Christmassy as we can make it!

Children will complete the Santa dash a class at a time and be supervised by staff.

As always, ALL children will receive a Santa hat and a chocolate lolly for participating. They are able to come to school wearing a Christmas Jumper/festive clothes, tinsel or Christmas accessories to make them look even more festive. Please do not feel that you have to buy a Christmas jumper. The children have had so much fun during the Santa dash the past 2 years and it's our ultimate fund raiser. Last year we raised an incredible £3000 and this year we hope to top that.

Please, if you can, sponsor your child, ask neighbours, work colleagues, family, friends - anyone you think could spare a little bit at Christmas, to sponsor your child. We are fundraising for the wellbeing/sensory garden which school hope will be a massive benefit to the school environment.

Thank you so much for your support,

Holy Family PTA

If you have any questions or feedback please feel free to email us at holyfamilyhalewoodpta@yahoo.com



Holy Family PTA are pleased to announce the
return of the....

Santa Dash

10th December 2021

Join our troop of mini Santa's dashing around the
playground and making memories.

