



Holy Family School Newsletter - 15

Friday 7th January 2022

*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'

HAPPY NEW YEAR

We would like to welcome you all back after our Christmas break. It was lovely to see the children looking so well and happy on their return to school.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS

All parents whose children who are entitled to means tested free school meals will have received a voucher by email on Wednesday 5th January 2022. This voucher was provided by Knowsley Council for families suffering financial hardship following the Christmas holidays. If you are having trouble accessing your voucher, please contact Mrs. Wall in the school office. If you think your child may be entitled to free school meals, please click on the link below and apply online to Knowsley Council. If you are a Liverpool resident, please contact Liverpool City Council if you think you may be entitled.

<https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/residents/education-and-schools/school-meals-and-menus>

RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2022 ADMISSIONS

Just a reminder that the closing date for Reception September 2022 admissions is on 15th January 2022. Please remember that having a nursery place at our school does not guarantee a reception place. Here is the link for our admissions policy on our school website:
<https://holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk/about/admissions-information-policy/>

ROAD CLOSURES

We have been informed by the building firm working on the old Macket's School site that they will be putting up temporary traffic lights from Monday 10th January. This will be followed with some road closures up to 2nd February. Please do give yourselves a little more time to get to school for drop off and pick up during these times. This will be a great time to start parking your cars a little further away from school and walking more both for better health and helping the environment.

ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH

Please click on the link below to access the newsletter for St. John Vianney.
<https://www.parishofstjohnvianney.co.uk/latest>

ATTENDANCE NEWS

The race for our Pizza Party is on!! Remember any class that gets 100% receives 2 green marks that week!! Well done to Y1W, RM and RK who all had 100% attendance this week and received 2 marks each! Attendance for this week from the 5th to 7th January is as follows:

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

Class	% score	Rating	Total amount of green won this term
Ms O'Neill (Yr6)	93%	Red	0
Mrs Macaulay/Mrs Faulkner (Yr5/6)	97%	Green	1
Ms McCoy (Yr5)	95%	Yellow	0
Ms Monaghan (Yr4)	97%	Green	1
Ms Williams (Yr3/4)	99%	Green	1
Mrs. Davey (Yr3)	99%	Green	1
Ms Jones (Yr2)	94%	Yellow	0
Ms Donohue (Yr1/2)	95%	Yellow	0
Ms Wiggins (Yr1)	100%	Green	2
Ms Kendall (Rec)	100%	Green	2
Ms Mottram (Rec)	100%	Green	2

PIZZA PARTY

The race for this term's Pizza Party winners has started and all previous totals have been cleared ready for the new term. Come on children do your very best to help your class win the Pizza Party at Easter! The children in Y2J had a fantastic time on the second to last day of last term enjoying pizza and chips as well as ice cream!!

PTA NEWS LOTTERY

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

WITH YOU ALWAYS

We have been asked to share the following information with you from the parish office:

Would you be so kind as to direct all parents and carers with queries about First Holy Communion to Jayne Cross and not to ring the parish office. Jayne works full time and can only be reached via email, all queries should be emailed to

jayne.wya@gmail.com

DAILY MILE

We have been very fortunate in securing funding for the installation of a Daily Mile Track on our playground. The installation will take place on Wednesday 12th January.



FURTHER COVID 19 UPDATES

As we are sure you are aware, we are still very much dealing with the increased transmission of the virus in our region and you will have seen updated Government guidance being discussed in the media. We continue to monitor and follow all guidance given by the DFE to schools and update our Risk Assessment to reflect this. All our staff will also continue to complete lateral flow tests.

Like workforces up and down the country, we are anticipating staff absences and would ask you for your support over the coming weeks as we once again navigate through a difficult period due to the ongoing pandemic.

We will try our best to get classes covered wherever possible and avoid having to close classes due to lack of staff or supply staff from different agencies.

We are also anticipating further absences due to isolation with families and will support home learning wherever possible depending on your circumstances. Can we remind you to not send your child into school if they are displaying any Covid symptoms and please continue to report all absences through the app as always.



KNOWSLEY SAFARI PARK WINTER ROADSHOWS

During September, we received information regarding free workshops for some classes across the school and decided to book these for this month. Please see information below and make a note for your child's year group.

MOVE LIKE ME ROADSHOW

These sessions are suitable for Year 2 to Year 4 children due to the nature of the sessions and activities involved. The classes have been developed to cover topics of sustainability and conservation. Using a variety of safari props and equipment, the classes take children on an active rainforest adventure as they move like animals and learn about the environment.

The children will **need to wear their PE kits** for this activity only to school on the following dates:
Monday 17th January 2022 - Yr 4M, Yr 3/4W and Yr 3D

Tuesday 18th January 2022 - Yr 2 children only in Yr 1/2D class and Yr 2J

CHRONICLES OF CONSERVATION

These sessions are suitable for Reception and Year 1 children only. Children will take part in interactive stories based around the environmental challenges we face today. The wonderful educators will use props and activities to bring the story to life and inspire the children to care for the world around them.

These sessions will take place in the classroom so no PE kits necessary for Yr1 children and Yr1/2D. As it is Reception class P.E that day, they will still need to wear their P.E. Kits.

Tuesday 18th January 2022 - Rec M, Rec K, Yr 1W and the Yr 1 children in the Yr 1/2D class.

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD

These sessions are suitable for Year 3 to Year 6 children. The session engages children with the importance of good nutrition by exploring what their animal counterparts eat. It also explores how the food choices we make from packaging to meat can affect the planet around us.

These sessions will take place in the classroom so no PE kits necessary.

Monday 24th January 2022 - Yr 5Mc, Yr 5/6MF and Yr 6ON

Tuesday 25th January 2022 - Yr 3D, Yr 3/4W and Yr 4M