



# Holy Family School Newsletter - 20

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 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'*

### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The school photographer has delivered the nursery photographs, please check your child's bag for this. The photographs need to be back in school by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 3.15p.m. as the photographer is collecting them after school that day.

### VISIT IN THE LOCAL AREA

The children had a wonderful time on their walk through the Halewood Triangle on Monday. They had time to listen to the different sounds in the area, find the hidden signs posted around the area by staff and just took time to enjoy the fresh air! Please do have a look on Twitter to see the lovely photographs taken of the groups.

### SAFER INTERNET DAY

This week we celebrated Safer Internet Day focussing upon how to promote a safe and positive use of digital literacy. This year we focused on the theme is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online. Foundation stage listened to a story about Digiduck who taught them who to ask when they feel worried about something online. Key Stage 1 designed their own Safer Internet Poster informing other children of how to stay safe online and Key Stage 2 focussed on how to use technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively.

### HALF TERM FREE SCHOOL MEAL SUPERMARKET VOUCHERS

Knowsley Council are once again issuing supermarket vouchers for half term for means tested free school meal pupils and will be for £15.00 - £3.00 per day. The vouchers will be issued to you via your phone or email address (please ensure we have your correct details) on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022. If you think your child may be entitled to free school meals, please call into the school office and complete an application form. All applications are treated in complete confidence and are sent to Knowsley Council to check the eligibility.

### ATTENDANCE NEWS

The race for our Pizza Party is on!! Remember any class that gets 100% receives 2 green marks that week! Congratulations to Y1/2D and Y2J who both had 100% this week, well done! Attendance for this week from the 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> February 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)	84%	Red	2
Mrs Macaulay/Mrs Faulkner (Yr5/6)	90%	Red	2
Ms McCoy (Yr5)	93%	Red	1
Ms Monaghan (Yr4)	99%	Green	3
Ms Williams (Yr3/4)	99%	Green	4
Mrs. Davey (Yr3)	97%	Green	2
Ms Jones (Yr2)	100%	Green	4
Ms Donohue (Yr1/2)	100%	Green	3
Ms Wiggins (Yr1)	93%	Red	4
Ms Kendall (Rec)	98%	Green	5
Ms Mottram (Rec)	99%	Green	6

### ATTENDANCE

We are continuing to hold attendance meetings in school every fortnight and will be closely monitoring any child's attendance if it drops below 95% or who appear to have a pattern of absences. Each day your child misses from school is equal to 2 sessions so even if they are ill in the morning, please send them in in the afternoon, this applies to medical appointments, please try and bring them in before or after a medical appointment. If you are experiencing any difficulty in maintaining your child's good attendance, please do contact school to discuss this, we are here to support you and your child.



### Y2 COHORT MASS

Fr. Matthew will be in school on 16<sup>th</sup> February to celebrate mass with our Y2 cohort. I am sure the children will enjoy taking part in this service in school.

### ST. JOHN VIANNEY

<https://www.parishofstjohnvianney.co.uk/newsletter>

### 8.45A.M. START TIME 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

As you know, we changed our school start and end times during the Covid pandemic. The start time will be reverting to the original time 8.45a.m. instead of 8.40a.m. This change of start time will begin after half term on 28/02/22.

### P.E. KITS

Can we please remind you that the school P.E. kit must be worn for all P.E. lessons? If your child is wearing tracksuit bottoms or leggings to come to school in, they must be black.

Thank you for your support.

### KEEPING IN CONTACT

We know that parents change mobile or house telephone numbers and may even move house. Can you please ensure you contact school with any change in details especially any medical changes your child may have had?

### HALF TERM

We finish for the February half term holidays at the normal time of 3.15p.m. on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February (11.30a.m. for morning nursery)

### CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

7<sup>TH</sup> - 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022



As you are aware, the children have been spending time during this week taking part in various well-being activities.

The children were given a card on Monday with key activities on, linked to well-being. These will be very simple activities to do at home for example, 'get 8 hours of sleep'. The children have brought their card back into school today, Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February and have all received a chocolate bar and a certificate, well done everyone for such a lovely week!! Please feel free to tweet any activity you do with the children; we'd absolutely love to see them and celebrate!

Thank you for your support.

### BIKEABILITY Y3 & Y4

Y3 & Y4 pupils will begin their bikeability sessions next week, 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022 to 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022 and also 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March. As the training takes place on the school site, we do not need permission. All parents have been notified via the app of the day their child needs to bring their bike to school.



### PTA ROBERTS RECYCLING

The PTA have once again arranged for Roberts Recycling to come into school to collect bin bags of items for recycling. The bags will be collected on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 9.00 a.m. As usual, the bags will need to be left under the oak tree on the staff car park, please try to drop them off on the day before 9.00a.m. This is an ideal time to have a good clear out following the Christmas holidays and leave you 'clutter free' to enjoy the February half term. There is a list of what items can be collected at the end of the newsletter. This is always a great way of raising funds for our school.

### PTA LOTTERY

Who wants a holiday? Support our lottery for your chance to win a forest holiday on one of 11 UK locations! <https://t.co/uF4ekJ3AAz>  
#YourSchoolLottery.

### FAMILY LEARNING

Please find at the end of the newsletter the Family Learning timetable for this half term. Can you please ensure when you book onto a session you include **your name, your child's name, class and school and a CONTACT NUMBER?** This saves lots of time chasing learners who send emails saying, 'Can I do the course please?' without any more details.

As next week is the last session for this course, please see an additional flier at the end of the newsletter for a new course starting after half term.

### MONEY FOUND

A sum of money was found on the nursery/reception playground on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January. If you think it belongs to you, please give the office a ring. If this money is not claimed by the end of Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February, we will donate the money to our P.T.A.

# ROBERTS RECYCLING

## WHAT WE WILL ACCEPT



## WHAT WE WON'T ACCEPT



### Knowsley Family Learning

Happy New Year everyone. Here at Family Learning we would still like to offer parents and carers workshops and courses to support your child's learning. Please find below a timetable of sessions that I will be delivering on **Zoom** over the coming weeks. You are welcome to book onto as many sessions/ courses you would like to attend.

You can contact me on the details below. Please remember to include **YOUR NAME, YOUR CHILD(REN)'S NAME(S), CLASS AND SCHOOL AND A CONTACT NUMBER**. I will need to call you to complete a short enrolment form with you, which will take about 5 minutes.

Week Beginning	Mon AM	Mon 1-2pm	TUES 10-11am	TUES 1-2pm	Wed 10-11am	Wed PM	THUR 10-11am	THUR PM	FRI 10-11am	Fri PM
17th January 2022							10-11am Connect 5 Week 1			
24th January 2022	No session	1-2pm Nursery and Reception Phonics	10-11am Year 1 and 2 Phonics	1-2pm Year 3,4,5+6 Reading	No session	No session	10-11am Connect 5 Week 2	No session	No session	No session
31st January 2022	No session	1-2pm Nursery and Reception Reading	10-11am Year 1 and 2 Reading	1-2pm Year 3,4,5+6 Writing	10-11am Nursery/ Reception/ Year 1/ Year 2 Making games for learning course Week 1	No session	10-11am Connect 5 Week 3	No session	10-11am Nursery/ Reception/ Year 1/ Year 2 Making games for learning course Week 1	No session
7th February 2022	No session	1-2pm Nursery and Reception Writing	10-11am Year 1 and 2 Writing	1-2pm Year 3,4,5+6 Maths Week 1	10-11am Nursery/ Reception/ Year 1/ Year 2 Making games for learning course Week 2	No session	10-11am Connect 5 Week 4	No session	10-11am Nursery/ Reception/ Year 1/ Year 2 Making games for learning course Week 2	No session
14th February 2022	No session	1-2pm Nursery and Reception Maths	10-11am Year 1 and 2 Maths	1-2pm Year 3,4,5+6 Maths Week 2	10-11am Nursery/ Reception/ Year 1/ Year 2 Making games for learning course Week 3	No session	10-11am Connect 5 Week 5	No session	10-11am Nursery/ Reception/ Year 1/ Year 2 Making games for learning course Week 3	No session

**Making games for learning course** - This 3-week course will give your ideas and resources for making games at home that will help with your child's maths and English.

**Connect 5** - This 5-week course aims to support you to support their child's emotional wellbeing, help them to deal with stressful situations and help them to bounce back when life gets tough. For more information, please get in touch.

**If you haven't used Zoom before, don't worry, it's easy. I can support you to get online and access the sessions.**

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Take care

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## FREE 5 Week Zoom Course

### Keeping Up with the Kids Maths



As a parent/ carer, it's hard to keep up with your children as they go through primary school. They learn things in Maths that you might not have done in school, or that you can't remember. Sometimes they use terms you're not familiar with.

'Keeping Up With the Kids Maths' sessions will help you keep up with what your children are being taught and give you some more ideas about how you can help them as they go through primary school.

We will look at how children are taught Maths throughout the different Key Stages. We have 2 courses for you to pick from:

**Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** – starting Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 1-2.30pm

**Year 3, 4, 5 and 6** – starting Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 1-2.30pm

All sessions will be delivered over Zoom so you don't even need to leave home to attend! There are 5 sessions of Keeping Up with the Kids Maths, which run once a week for 5 weeks.

All of our family learning sessions are friendly and supportive. We welcome all parents/ carers (so don't worry if you are not very confident with Maths).

For more information or to enrol onto the course please contact  
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**Please include your name, your child's name, class and school and a contact number for you.** I will need to contact you to complete a short enrolment before sending you the Zoom code. This will take about 5 minutes.