



# Holy Family School Newsletter - 27

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 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'*

## WELCOME BACK

We welcome back Miss Claro from her maternity leave on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April. Miss Claro will be working in Y5Mc alongside Miss. McCoy.

## Y4 CLASS MASS

Fr. Matthew was in school yesterday, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April to celebrate mass with our Y4 cohort. It was a lovely celebration with Fr. Matthew commenting on how beautifully the children sang.

## YEAR 1 PARENTS PHONICS MEETINGS

Miss Wiggins and Miss Donohue are holding 2 meetings for the parents of children in our Year 1 cohort to explain the phonics screening process. An app has already been sent out to the parents involved with the date and times for Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April. It is important that every child in Yr1 is represented at one of these meetings.

## PTA CRAZY HAIR DAY

The PTA are once again holding their 'Crazy hair day' on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April - the day we finish for the Easter holidays. The PTA are asking for a donation of £1 to be paid via Parentpay as we are trying to remain cashless in school.



## PARENT'S EVENINGS

The parents' evenings for Nursery (2 - the children who move to Reception class next year) to Yr5 will take place in person on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

Appointments will be launched on the app after the Easter holidays. Timings will range from 3:30pm till 6:10pm on both evenings. Nursery (1) - children who will be in Nursery again next year, will have their meeting at the end of the year as normal.

## GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL

The draw for the Good Shepherd Appeal Easter egg raffle will take place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April - come on children you still have a couple of days to bring in your 20p's for your raffle tickets!

## ATTENDANCE NEWS

The race for our Pizza Party has finished for this term!! Remember any class that gets 100% receives 2 green marks that week! Attendance for this week from the 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> April 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)	94%	Yellow	3
Mrs Macaulay/Mrs Faulkner (Yr5/6)	94%	Yellow	3
Ms McCoy (Yr5)	94%	Yellow	4
Ms Monaghan (Yr4)	98%	Green	5
Ms Williams (Yr3/4)	99%	Green	5
Mrs. Davey (Yr3)	96%	Yellow	4
Ms Jones (Yr2)	96%	Yellow	7
Ms Donohue (Yr1/2)	96%	Yellow	8
Ms Wiggins (Yr1)	95%	Yellow	9
Ms Kendall (Rec)	97%	Green	10
Ms Mottram (Rec)	98%	Green	8

## PIZZA PARTY WINNERS!

Congratulations to RK - one of our youngest classes in the school who have won the race for this term's pizza party! They will be having their pizza party on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022. The children will not require a packed lunch if they have one on this day as they will be provided with domino's pizza, dessert and a drink in their class.



### BIKEABILITY

Some of the Y5 cohort have already had their Bikeability sessions this week with the remainder having theirs next Monday and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> April, parents have already been notified of the day allocated for their child's session via Parent App.

For those who missed their class session due to Bikeability cancelling a few weeks back, your new dates are 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of May. Parents have been informed of their child's date via the app.

### EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS AFTER EASTER

Here are a brand new set of extra-curricular clubs on offer when we return from the Easter holidays. Just like last time, parents will need to book their child's place via the app. The clubs will go live on the app on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April from 9am and will be on a first come, first served basis. Click on Content and find the clubs/events tab. Some of the clubs will be run by external agencies and will have a cost associated to this. Other clubs will be offered free of charge with some clubs paid by school. Once bookings have been confirmed for the paid clubs, we will set up the ParentPay in due course and contact you to start the payment process.

When booking the club, you must click on book sessions and then select all (at top right hand side of app) so that you are booked for every day for that club which will last the 5 weeks. Incomplete bookings could jeopardise your child's registration. Once all places are gone, there will be no waiting list. All clubs will finish at 4:15pm.

The clubs are:

Monday - Gaelic Football Club (Yr 3 and Yr 4), Dance Club (Yr 1 and Yr 2 - £10 for 4 wks due to Bank Holiday Monday)

Yr6 SATs Club (no booking needed as club continuing for Y6 from last term)

Tuesday - Ninja Warrior (Yr 3 and Yr 4 - £12.50 for 5 wks), Phonics Club (Yr 1), Girls Football Club (Yr 2, Yr 3 and Yr 4), Music Club (Reception)

Wednesday - Athletics (Yr 5 and Yr 6), Dodgeball (Yr 5 and Yr 6 - £12.50 for 5 wks), Drawing Club (Yr 1 and Yr 2)

Thursday - Multi-Sports (Yr 1 and Yr 2), Kwik Cricket Club (Yr 5 and Yr 6)

Friday - Basketball (Yr 3 and Yr 4), Dance Club (Reception - £12.50 for 5 wks)

Can we please remind you all that all after school clubs finish at 4.15pm. this is especially important that the children are collected on time for the clubs taken by external providers.

### LFC FOUNDATION ATHLETICS SESSIONS

The tennis taster sessions that were organised by the LFC Foundation have now come to an end. The children had such a wonderful time that we have now booked them back in to give the children from Y3 to Y6 athletic taster sessions. Y5Mc will be the first class taking part in this on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April (no PE kit needed)

### SCHOOL TRIPS

Yr3 and Yr4 will be going on their school trip to the Catalyst Science Museum in Widnes on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April, our second day back after the Easter holidays. A letter with all the information and a permission slip has been sent out on the app, can you please ensure you complete the permission form and pay for the trip on Parentpay before Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.



### LATES

Can we thank you for making a huge effort in getting your children to school on time this week, there has been a fantastic reduction and the information with Knowsley Attendance Service has been much more positive this week! School doors open at 8.45a.m. with registration at 8.55a.m. Being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing two weeks of school over an academic year?

lost minutes = lost learning	
5 minutes late	3 days lost
10 minutes late	6.5 days lost
15 minutes late	10 days lost
20 minutes late	13 days lost
30 minutes late	19 days lost

Every school day counts but every minute is equally important.

Thank you for your support in getting your children to school on time.

### MARIE CURIE DAFFODILS

Mrs. Reeves and our school council are currently selling the yellow Marie Curie daffodil badges for a donation of 20p. If you would like to purchase a badge, please send in 20p with your child.

All monies raised will be taken to Marie Curie.

Thank you for your support.



### OUR AMAZING OWL!

Year 2 have had so much fun decorating our owl sculpture for the Owl and the Pussy-cat trail! We used acrylic paints, brushes and sponges to create our owl which is a celebration of love and diversity. We cannot wait to see it displayed across the borough this summer!



### ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

Please click on the link below to access our online safety newsletter for this month. This is also available on our website.

[https://holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Primary-Online-Safety-Newsletter-April-2022\\_HF-Halewood-Knowsley\\_31-03-2022.pdf](https://holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Primary-Online-Safety-Newsletter-April-2022_HF-Halewood-Knowsley_31-03-2022.pdf)

### HOLIDAY AND FOOD ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME

Final preparations for The Holiday Activities and Food funded SNAP programme are underway and the programme will be launched tomorrow afternoon (6<sup>th</sup> April). Please check <https://oneknowsley.org/snap-free-healthy-living-activities/> for more information.

### PARISH OF ST JOHN VIANNEY LINK

#### ST. JOHN VIANNEY

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

### EASTER HOLIDAYS

We finish for the Easter holidays at 1.30p.m. on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April and return to school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

Nursery P.M. will finish on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April at the usual time of 3.30pm.

Even though we finish at 1.30 on Wednesday, the children are still required to attend school on this day as they will receive both morning and afternoon marks.

**WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY, HOLY AND SAFE EASTER.**



### CHERRY TREE HOLIDAY CLUB

Please see the flier at the end of the newsletter for the holiday club at Cherry Tree Nursery.

### WELLBEING GARDEN

Can we please ask all parents to ensure their children do not walk on the plant area of our wellbeing garden. As you know this is a newly built garden area with many plants needing time to establish themselves.

Thank you for your support.

### ATTENDANCE

At Holy Family Catholic Primary School, we believe that poor school attendance, and/or regular late arrival, break the continuity of a child's learning and consequently limits their academic and social progress in school. We aim to encourage and assist all pupils to achieve excellent levels of attendance and punctuality. Therefore our target for all pupils is to achieve at least **97%** attendance over the

course of a school year, with taking into consideration that children will become ill at some point with no unauthorised absences. Persistent or long-term absence has a negative impact in all areas of school life, not just on academic achievement but also on the development of key skills and friendships. Interrupted attendance makes teaching and learning difficult and undermines the educational process leading to educational disadvantage. Added to the impact that Covid has had on children's education, it is even more vital that good attendance and punctuality remain a key priority for your child/children.

We aim to encourage and assist all pupils to achieve excellent levels of attendance and punctuality. The school is obliged by law to differentiate between authorised and unauthorised absence. A Parent App or telephone message from a parent does not in itself authorise an absence. Only if the school is satisfied as to the validity of the explanation offered by the parent app/message will the absence be authorised. In cases of on-going absences, medical evidence will be requested especially for any child whose attendance is a cause for concern.

We are confident that you want the best for your child and would want them to reach their potential. Therefore, it is imperative that good attendance and punctuality remain at the forefront of both our expectations to ensure that no learning is ever missed.

### LSC EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Please see a flier at the end of the newsletter regarding an Easter holiday club run by LSC. LSC are the company we buy into school to provide PE and after school clubs to the children.





# EASTER HALF-TERM HOLIDAY COURSE AT GATEACRE SCHOOL



DATES:

April 11th - April 22nd

AGE:

Rec - Year 6

TIME:

9:30am - 15:30pm

## JOIN US FOR:



FOOTBALL

UNIQUE SPORTS

NERF WARS/WATER FIGHTS

ARCHERY

LSC OLYMPIC DAY

plus much more!



# Book Now



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# Easter Holiday club

@Big Cherry Tree

on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> of April

our activities to include:

Easter Egg Hunt, Arts & Craft, Cooking, Modelling,  
Lego, board games, safe Outdoor play, Park trip

call now to book on 0151 428 0108