

WELCOME to Holy Family Catholic Primary School

Year 1/2 Parent's Induction Meeting



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Vision:

At Holy Family, we strive to create an environment where only **the best is good enough** in all that we do. We will achieve this by having high expectations and developing a culture of ambition, challenge and achievement.

Mission Statement:

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Parents:

At Holy Family, we see our parents as their child's first educators. Therefore in order for your child to progress and develop independence, it is vital that we have a shared working partnership that buys into the vision of our school.

Home School agreement:

A partnership with our school, parents and pupils working together.



GOOD TIME KEEPING MEANS...

Making sure your child is at school and ready to learn, before the school bell rings. 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.

If attendance becomes an issue, the Attendance Officer from Local Authority will become involved. School opens at 8.45 a.m. Any child arriving after 8:55am will have their name noted in the 'Late Book'.



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Communication:

Twitter- @HFHalewood



School website- www.holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk

Holy Family Halewood Parent App- All communication is sent via this app, so it is vital that you download this and also invite other family members to join too to keep your family in the loop.

Open door policy – any concerns or worries please let the staff know.



Rules:

At Holy Family, we adhere to 3 rules.

- 1. Play safe, work hard and have fun.
- 2. Respect everything and everyone around you.
- 3. Treat others as you would like to be treated.



House Points

Children are assigned a 'House' when they begin Reception class. They are:

Almond

Barlow

Arrowsmith

Rigby

Children will remain in these 'Houses' throughout their time at Holy Family. Children are awarded Dojos throughout the week to celebrate their successes. The child with the most dojos in each class is awarded the 'Class Dojo' certificate.



Uniform/Equipment

Children need to be reminded to not wear jewellery or nail varnish for school. Stud earrings are allowed, but they must be taken out or covered for PE. Children with long hair need to make sure their hair is tied back during school.

Please make sure that children are wearing black school shoes (no trainers). If there are any issues, please send a note in.

For PE, Children are to wear trainers for outside and, pumps or bare feet for inside.

Please make sure all uniform is labelled.



Our School Website

Our school website is an invaluable source of information about our school.

Our curriculum:

Long Term Plan Knowledge Organisers

 Information about what we teach in each area of learning in every term





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A typical day in our class:-

8:45 – 9:00 Register/Reading and/or morning work.

9:00 – 9:50 English

9:50 - 10:30 Phonics/Guided Reading

10:30 – 10:45 Break Time /Healthy Snack

10:45 - 11:15 Religious Education

11:15 – 12:15 Maths Mastery/Maths

12:15 - 1:15 Lunch

1:15 – 2:15 Geography/History

2:15 – 3:15 Science/Personal Development

NB: Afternoon subjects change daily



Reading

Our reading books are well ranged to suit all learners.

'Read Write Inc' Children will be given a Read Write Inc book bag book which links to the sounds your child will be learning that week in school. Your child should be able to access these books independently.

'Rising Star' books Children will be given an additional book to support further reading of common exception words and comprehension. This book will need to be read with an adult.

Your child has a reading record where comments will be made about your child's progress. Please comment in your child's reading record when you listen to your child read.

Please make 'Read Write Inc' books your priority when reading with your child at home.

PLEASE encourage your child to share / read their book with you ideally each night and write in their reading record.



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Spellings

Children will be given new spellings each half term to learn. Spellings are differentiated depending on ability and link directly to the sounds children are learning in their Phonics lessons.

Please support your child to learn their 5 spellings each week. The date of each weekly spelling quiz is located above each list.

Children can use their homework book to practise writing the words.

Do not worry if your child is struggling at this point in the year. They are also practising spellings in their daily Phonics lesson and will gradually become more confident with the process. Perhaps focus on 2 or 3 spellings to begin with until they gain more confidence.

| Week 1 - 19/09/2 g' words and Common Exception | | Week 3 - 3/10/22 'air' words and Common Exception Word |
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| 1. car | 1. sort | 1. fair |
| 2. part | 2. short | 2. hair |
| 3. hard | 3. horse | 3. chair |
| 4. start | 4. sport | 4. stair |
| | 5. the | _ |
| 5. I | ev me | 5. my |
| Week 4 - 10/10/2 ir words and Common Exception 1. girl 2. bird | 2 Week 5- 17/10/22 | Week 6- 24/10/22 |
| Week 4 - 10/10/2 ir words and Common Exception 1. girl 2. bird 3. third | Week 5- 17/10/22 You' words and Common Exception Words 1. out | Week 6- 24/10/22 'oy' words and Common Exception Word |
| Week 4 - 10/10/2 ir words and Common Exception 1. girl 2. bird | Week 5- 17/10/22 'ou' words and Common Exception Words 1. out 2. shout | Week 6- 24/10/22 'oy' words and Common Exception Word 1. toy 2. boy |



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Homework

We value our home/school partnership. Please support your child to complete their homework tasks each week:

Reading books

Spellings

Times Tables Rock Stars x2, x5 & x10



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Snack and Lunch

Snack is provided every day. We are a healthy school, and therefore our snack comprises of a range of fruit and vegetables. Children are allowed to bring in their own healthy snack, however this must only consist of one piece of fruit/vegetable/healthy breakfast bar. No other snacks will be allowed. Please ensure any snacks do not contain nuts due to allergies.

Free School Lunch for Reception and KS1

Every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will receive a free lunch, however you will still need to register eligibility for FSM if applicable to ensure your child receives the Pupil Premium funding.

Lunch time is 12.15 – 1.15

Children have the choice of bringing in a healthy packed lunch from home or choosing a tasty dinner from the menu daily.

Menus are available on our school website or school app.

The menu is changed termly.

Free hot dinner is either

CHOICE 1 CHOICE 2 CHOICE 3

It is vital to let us know if your child has any allergies



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Year 1 Phonics Screening Test Phonics Screening Test will take place wb 10th June, 2024.

A Phonics club will take place during the Spring Term.





Phonics

The Phonics Screening Check is designed to allow schools to assess whether children have made expected progress within their phonics learning and have reached an appropriate standard. It can help teachers to identify gaps in children's phonics knowledge and gives the school a picture of where children may be excelling or requiring extra support.

There will be a Year 1 Phonics Screening Meeting later in the Year to explain more information.



Year 2 SATS

Year 2 official SATS will no longer take place in May as they are no longer required by the Department for Education.

The children will still complete an end of year assessment using past SATS papers.



Before you leave....

Please ensure contact details are up to date and the school office is informed of any medical changes

