

WELCOME

to Holy Family Catholic Primary School

Year 1W Class Induction Meeting

With Christ at the centre, we live, love and learn together, reaching out to all.



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.



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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'.



Communication:

Twitter- @HFHalewood



School website- <u>www.holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk</u>

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.



Uniform:

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

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

For PE, children are to wear black pumps/bare feet for inside and trainers for outside.

Children are to keep their full PE kit in a separate bag on their peg in school. If your child attends an afterschool club and wears their kit, please send it in with them the next day as although we have set days for PE we can change this due to weather etc. PE kits will be sent home every few weeks to be washed. Please ask your child to bring it home with them if you would like to wash it more regularly.

Please ensure all uniform/shoes are clearly named. If you do write their name in pen this will need to be checked when washed. It is difficult for us to locate your child's items if they are lost and have not been named.

In Year 1 we support children to become independent in all areas and we ask them to try to look after their own belongings as much as they possibly can. This will support them when moving on into their Year 2 class. So we have a whole year to accomplish this!!!



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House Points

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

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.

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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 for Pleasure/Morning Work

9.00-9.50-English

9.50-10.30-Phonics/Guided Reading

10.30-10.45-Break time/Healthy Snack

10.45-11.45-Religious Education

11.45-12.15-Maths Mastery/Maths

12.15-1.15-Lunch time

1.15-2.15-Geography/History 2.15-3.15-Personal Development

Independent Learning

(called CP in Rec- will take place alongside lessons for the first half term or until needed)



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Snack and Lunch

Snack is provided every day. We are a healthy school, and therefore our snack comprises of milk/water, 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.

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 Meat CHOICE 2 Vegetarian CHOICE 3 Jacket Potato/Sandwich

<u>It is vital to let us know if your</u> <u>child has any allergies</u>





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Read, Write, Inc Phonics

All children take part in a daily phonics programme to teach them to read using phonics (letter sounds). Children quickly learn to blend letter sounds together following an active and effective programme.

Lessons focus on at least one new sound a day depending on the level they are at. They will *Hear it and say it, Read it, Practise speed sounds and Spell it.* Read Write Inc is a fundamental part of your child learning how to read in the first instance.

If you feel you need support with letter sounds or require further information please ask.











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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.

'Family Book' focus on key vocabulary and story content read by parents to the child.

All categories of books will be issued to your child during the year to create a healthy balance.

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.





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Homework

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

1 Reading books

- 2. Weekly Spellings
- 3. Times Tables Rock Stars x2, x5 & x10



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Phonics Screening Check

-Take place w/b 10th June 2024 -Phonics Screening Information date tbc 2024 -Phonics after school club during Spring Term

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Before you leave....

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