

Holy Family Catholic Primary School

Newsletter – Friday 21st November 2025

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

'Only our best is good enough'

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS INSPECTION

As you will know, we had our Catholic Schools inspection this week and it was just brilliant to have an opportunity to showcase our school in all its glory and share the best practise and great work we aim to do. I was truly appreciative to hear about the vast amounts of positive feedback and appreciation from many of you who took the time to complete the questionnaire. We now await the comments and observations from the inspectors in their official report. Once we receive the official report (within the next 15 days), we will then share this with our whole school community and also publish on the school website.

PARENTS EVENING

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone into school next week for your parents evening slot with the staff. Parent's evening will take place in the hall as normal and parents can have a look at the children's work in the classrooms. Please ensure that you stick to your 10 minute appointment so that other parents who arrive on time are not having to wait around due to your conversation over running. Please allow time for yourself to have a look at your children's books and if you could arrive earlier than your appointment, this will give you plenty of time to look at the work prior to chatting with the teacher. This is especially important if you have an appointment from 6pm onwards, you must arrive earlier to look at the books first as the school will close at 6:30pm following the final appointment and you won't have enough time to go to spend time in the classrooms as Mr Worsley will be preparing to lock up the site.



ATTENDANCE NEWS

The race continues for our Pizza Party competition for attendance for this term. Remember any class that gets 100% receives 2 green marks that week!

Attendance for this week is as follows:

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

Class	% score	Rating	Total amount of green won this term
Year 6	95%		6
Year 6/5	99%		5
Year 5	96%		11
Year 4	96%		8
Year 3/4	92%		2
Year 3	97%		3
Year 2	96%		8
Year 1/2	97%		10
Year 1	99%		10
Rec K	97%		11
Rec M	99%		10

YEAR 3/4 CLASS ASSEMBLY

All parents and family of children in Year 3/4 class are welcome to join us for their class assembly next Friday 28th November from 9am. The theme will be St Andrew's day followed by the Superstar assembly with the parents.

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY 2025 – A JUBILEE CELEBRATION

NON UNIFORM DAY – ST ANDREW'S DAY

All the children can come into school wearing non uniform next Friday 28th November and wear

This Sunday marks World Youth Sunday - an international initiative celebrating the place of young people in the life and mission of the Church. Marking the Jubilee Year, this year's celebration will be more meaningful than ever – uniting young Catholics in faith and hope.

Archbishop John Sherrington has also put together a short message for young people ahead of Youth Sunday: Archbishop Sherrington Youth Sunday
Message for schools

In assembly this week we reflected on the many ways that we have carried out our mission of being Pilgrims of Hope this year.



SPORTS NEWS

Well done to our team who finished first and won the Kurling Competition run by Knowsley Sports Competition organisers this week. The children showed incredible skill and desire, and we were so pleased to hear of their success.

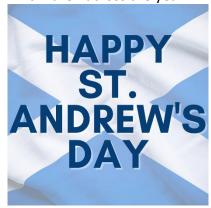
We are currently holding trials during PE lessons for the children in Year 5 and Year 6 in preparation for the Indoor Athletics competition on Monday 1st December. The names will be passed to us next week and then the children selected will receive an app message with further details.



something that has a blue colour on an item of clothing if possible or anything linked to St Andrew's Day. Don't worry if you can't find anything blue though!

In exchange for wearing non uniform, the children are to bring in £1 cash for the school fund on this day. For those of you who wish to pay by ParentPay, we will set this up on ParentPay from Thursday morning and then you can choose to pay £1 online or in cash on the Friday.

As you know, the children's school fund helps us to subsidise school trips and provide rewards to the children across the year.



CHRISTMAS JUMPER APPEAL / SPARE UNIFORM APPEAL (JUMPERS/CARDIGANS/TIES/PE KITS)

We don't seem to have had many spare Christmas jumpers sent in yet this year that no longer fit the children that we can put on our Live Simply station during Parents Evening.

We are trying to stop old jumpers from going to landfill and would like families to take these and reuse them. We are also going to have a uniform station on site of good quality uniform. Rather than wasting money on new items of uniform, please do just grab a spare jumper/cardigan that will fit your child rather than these items of clothing just sitting around in cupboards. If you have any spare good quality uniform or Christmas jumpers, please send these into school from next week. We do have a long-standing relationship with Uni-Wise that I know many families utilise this service during the summer months but I would like to have our own stall on site too so that this is handier for parents to access and take.

Help us name our new food waste collection vehicles



Please see below information from Knowsley Council Recycling Engagement Team - Help us name our new food waste collection vehicles!

We're excited to invite your students to take part in our Food Waste Vehicle naming competition! From April 2026, we'll be launching a new weekly food waste collection service for households across our borough. To prepare for this we have added 9 new vehicles to our fleet. We would love your help giving them fun, creative names!

We will be selecting 4 winning names to feature proudly on our new vehicles.

How to take part:

Students must use the template (ask your class teacher if your child wants a template) - it includes a picture of one of our Food waste vehicles for students to colour in

In the space provided, students should write their name, school name and their vehicle name idea Return your schools entries by Friday 19th December.

There is also a poster attached to promote our naming competition in your school!

Winners will be announced in February 2026. Winning entries will have their chosen names displayed on our vehicles and the schools will receive a photo opportunity with their named vehicle!

This is a fantastic opportunity for students to learn more about recycling and reducing food waste!

We can't wait to see your students' brilliant ideas!

Kinds regards,

Knowsley Council Recycling Engagement Team

Please ask your class teacher if you would like a copy of the entry form printed out below in order to take part in the competition.

