



# Holy Family Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026

*'With Christ at the centre, we live, love and learn together, reaching out to all.  
'Only our best is good enough'*

### SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council meet every fortnight with Mr Quigley and had a really productive meeting this morning before school. Their next meeting is Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 8:30am.

The School Council brought up a few key messages that they would like to address with our children and school community and have made it their mission to focus on these key areas this term.

- Work alongside the PTA to use the £1750 donation towards new playtime equipment.
- Ensure that all children commit to bringing a healthy snack in for break time and nothing that is deemed unhealthy.
- Address the community to show more care and put litter in the bin before, during and after school. The Eco Warriors have completed a litter pick throughout today.
- Continue to promote our school rules to ensure that all children play safe, work hard and have fun, look after the school equipment and each other and have a plan to help children who fall below our standards via reflection time where they reflect on the impact of their behaviour on others.

### YR 6 PARENTS SATS MEETING

Just a reminder from the events tab on the app, all Yr6 parents are welcome to attend this 30-minute meeting on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January from 3:30pm. We will be providing each Yr 6 child with information on SATS companion to assist learning at home in preparation for the SATS in May. It would be great if you could come along and listen to the Yr 6 staff and ask any questions where applicable. Please note that SATS club for the children will not take place on this day. The meeting is for parents only but if you are stuck for childcare, the Year 6 children will wait in an adjacent classroom and complete some SATS related activities where applicable.

### 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	94%		0
Year 6/5	97%		2
Year 5	96%		1
Year 4	97%		2
Year 3/4	96%		0
Year 3	99%		1
Year 2	96%		0
Year 1/2	97%		2
Year 1	99%		3
Rec K	97%		1
Rec M	98%		2

### ADMINISTERING MEDICINES

Don't forget that we are able to administer medicines in school if any child needs to take medication throughout the school day.

Please contact the office and complete a form if you need this service.

### **PTA UPDATES**

Just a reminder that our next meeting is on Tuesday 27th January at 5pm.

#### **An update from the PTA Treasurer (Mrs Eccleston):**

We had a donation from one of our PTA members workplaces for £250 to go towards playground equipment so the School Council have £1750 rather than £1500 to spend on equipment for the children. The PTA will discuss finances in the next meeting and we can decide with everyone what we do with all the Santa dash money that has been raised.

Huge thanks to all our families for their support leading up to Christmas and here is what we have raised for the Santa Dash.

- Online fundraising page £1461
- Gift Aid £281.50
- Cash sponsor donations £1271.50
- Transferred to bank £150

**Total £3164**

We also raised £541 in Christmas raffle total.

### **ATTENDANCE**

We are continuing to hold attendance reviews every week with the Knowsley Attendance team and we 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. If you child has an unavoidable medical appointment, 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.

