

Holy Cross Catholic Primary School Newsletter



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Message from the Head of Learning

This week

We have enjoyed another busy week of learning at Holy Cross. Julia Donaldson class enjoyed an exciting visit to 'Pets at Home' as part of their 'People who help us' topic. Thank you to everyone who helped with this trip.



Children and staff alike enjoyed a music themed assembly this week. Tom from Rocksteady Music School led us in a rock band music and singing session. We have many talented singers at Holy Cross! This event was part of our drive to further enrich the arts curriculum. It was a huge success.

Miss Heaton, our Read Write Inc. lead, was very pleased to welcome so many parents to her phonics screening information talk. Thank you for supporting this; and thank you to Miss Heaton for providing this session. Please contact her if you were not able to attend this meeting.

We are delighted to see so many children following up their learning by practising new skills and researching topics at home. Thank you for supporting your children with this. We value this home-school partnership. There are homework clubs available each Monday lunchtime and Friday 3.15-4.30 if you would like your child to be supported to complete home learning. Please contact the school

office or me directly to book the after school homework club.

Next week - (W/C 22/01/18)

Please join us for whole school liturgy at 9am on Monday in the school hall. Mrs Confue will be ready to greet you with tea and coffee. Everyone is welcome.

Miss Bailey has organised an exciting science assembly for key stage 2 children. I am sure they will have plenty to tell you about the 'Fizz Pop' experience on Wednesday!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Potterton dpotterton@holycross.plymouth.sch.uk

Liturgy in School



Parents and Parishioners are invited to join us for liturgy, 9am, Monday mornings

The theme for our prayer and worship next week is:

FOLLOW JESUS



Christ Jesus, you call us all to follow you. Help us to answer that call and live our lives as you have asked us to.

Amen.



Following an on the spot inspection earlier this week we would like to congratulate Karen and her team on receiving the top rating in food hygiene standards for the kitchen here at Holy Cross. Well done and Thank you!



Thank you to everyone who gave so very generously to the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) Advent Appeal. We received lots of very full boxes back here into Holy Cross. A special mention goes to Erin in Year 6 who was the winner of the 'heaviest box' competition and raised £14.64. The Catholic Children's Society have now collected the money raised and we will let you know as soon as they advise us of the total. Many thanks to for your generosity.



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We have received an Early Years
Safeguarding Alert from Plymouth
City Council regarding a number
of products that are being
recalled. For more information on
the products that have been
recalled due to safety issues,
please see the Notice Board in
the Top Playground.

Wonders of the Week



JD (F) – Amelia and Rosaleen
SJ(Y1) – Talia
EC (Y1/2) - Olivia
H (Y2) - Jeroen
RD (Y3) - Joel
DKS (3) – Filip
MM (Y4) - Martin
JKR (Y5) - Sophie

RMK (Y6) - Natalie

On Time Heroes



Being on time for school is crucial for learning. Our 'On Time Heroes' this week are:

> Eric Carle (Y1/2) & J K Rowling (Y5)

Top Table Award



JD (F) – Mahi SJ(Y1) – Pison EC (Y1/2) - Olivia H (Y2) - Julia RD (Y3) - Adrian DKS (3) - Alice MM (Y4) - Erin JKR (Y5) - Sophie RMK (Y6) – Heba



1st St Teresa

^{2nd} St Julie

3rd St Judes 4th St Andrew

PTFA News



Helpers are needed for the forthcoming school discos. Please let us know if you are able to help by e-mailing hc.ptfa@gmail.com



KS2 5:45 TILL 7:00

£2 ON THE DOOR TUCK SHOP EXTRA

ENTRANCE AT RED SIDE DOOR.

COLLECTION FROM USUAL AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP POINTS.

We are still looking for a volunteer to become our secretary. The role will consist of taking minutes at meetings and helping to produce general letters. If you think this may be something you are interested in please contact Justine: hc.ptfa@gmail.com

The PTFA AGM will take place in February. More details will follow shortly.



For a full list of clubs available, including details of how to pay for any of them, please either contact the School Office for more information or see the Notice Board in the playground.



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What's On.....





Remember your account is to remain up to date and in credit at all times. If you are having trouble making payment on your ParentPay account please contact the School Office. Your co-operation would be very much appreciated.

Dates for your Diary



Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for this year. All information is available on our website calendar.

- 8th February
 School Disco
 4:30pm 5:30pm
 - FS and KS1
 5:45pm 7.00pm KS2
- 9th February
 Non-pupil day
- 12th 16th February
 Half Term
- <u>1st March</u> World Book Day
- 20th and 21st March Parent Evenings

- 28th March
 Tempest Photography –
 Class photos
- 13th July
 Summer Fair
- 19th July School Talent Show
- <u>20th July</u> Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

Childcare Vouchers



We accept the following Childcare Vouchers: Edenred ref - P21102440 Fideliti ref - HOL357C Allsave/Sodexo/p&mm/ salary plus ref - 872743 Computershare ref -0024415526

We also accept payment under the new Government Tax-Free Childcare Scheme. For more information go to https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs If you have any questions regarding childcare vouchers please contact the school office.

Thank you all for your support as always. Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Potterton and Mr Cotter

Head of Learning: Mrs Dawn Potterton B.Ed Hons