

HOLY CROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

Week 3 has just finished - with it being such a short term, every day seems so important to the children's learning.

I mentioned that we had an Inspection Review of RE last week. I wanted to share a comment that one of our youngest children told the inspector that made me very proud. When asked what makes our school special, she said 'because you can feel the presence of God.'

We are working on making even more explicit the gospel values that we see as important and this week we have been talking about **humility**. We will soon be giving awards to those we see practising those values.

We continue to work on what it means to be a pupil at Holy Cross, as distinct from other schools. One of the lines that the children are learning is:

"I want to be the very best I can be, so I can do what God wants me to do. I want to be the very best I can be so God can do His work through me."

Our **Pupil Chaplain**

training with Sister Judith Rossi was a highlight of the week and those children are now trained and fired up to lead the school in many ways.

We will be working on an Action Plan that will allow them to take responsibility for areas of our Catholic life.



Year 6 have enjoyed rowing in school this week. Our Year 5 classes attended Plymouth University for a Science showcase. And I hear that some Key Stage 1 classes are investigating a dragon making Holy Cross its home!

Next week sees Year 6 taking part in more rowing - this time out of school. Bikeability is back and I think the School Council might be doing something with Big Schools Birdwatch.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Cotter Headteacher

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 Me



Help me Jesus, to listen to your call. I want to follow you just like the first disciples. Help me to be quick to do what you ask me.

Amen.



Term dates for the next school year

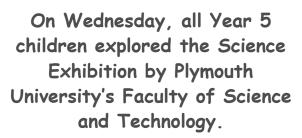


HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM DATES: 2020/2021



AUTUMN TERM 2020	
Non - Pupil day - School CLOSED to pupils	Wednesday 2 nd September 2020
Autumn Term commences - Back to School	Thursday 3 rd September 2020
Half Term - School CLOSED for the week	Saturday 24 th October - Sunday 1 st November 2020
Non - Pupil day - School CLOSED to pupils	Monday 2 nd November 2020
Back to School	Tuesday 3 rd November 2020
Term Finishes for Christmas (Last day of term)	Friday 18 th December 2020
Christmas Holidays School CLOSED for two weeks	Saturday 19 th December 2020 to Sunday 3 rd January 2021
SPRING TERM 2021	
Non - Pupil day - School CLOSED to pupils	Monday 4 th January 2021
Spring Term commences - Back to School	Tuesday 5 th January 2021
Half Term School CLOSED for the week	Saturday 13 th February to Sunday 21 st February 2021
Non - Pupil day - School CLOSED to pupils	Monday 22 nd February 2021
Back to School	Tuesday 23 rd February 2021
Term Finishes (Last day of term)	Thursday 1st April 2021
Easter Holidays School CLOSED for two weeks	Friday 2 nd April 2021 to Sunday 18 th April 2021
SUMMER TERM 2021	
Summer Term commences on - Back to School	Monday 19 th April 2021
May bank holiday (School closed)	Monday 3 rd May 2021
Half Term - School CLOSED for the week	Saturday 29 th May to Sunday 6 th June 2021
Non - Pupil day - School CLOSED to pupils	Monday 7 th June 2021
Back to School	Tuesday 8 th June 2021
Term finishes (Last day of term)	Thursday 22 nd July 2021





In the exhibit, children explored various stands about engineering, life sciences and biological sciences including looking at robots, completing a dinosaur run, creat-





ing a facial profile for the police and extracting DNA from bananas. All children said how much they enjoyed it. They acted in such a mature manner while out of school.

Reminders for next week....

Change of Menu on Monday—Chinese New Year (see page 1)

<u>Bikeability</u>—Foundation Monday to Friday

<u>Bikeability</u>—Year 6 Monday to Thursday

<u>Bikeability</u>—Year 3 Friday only

Rowing Competition KS2—Tuesday

Multiskills Competition KS1—Thursday

Coming soon....

Safer Internet Day 11th February

World Book Day
5th March

British Science Week 6th to 15th March



Julia Donaldson (FS): Dawson Simon James (Y1): Eric Carle (Y1/2): Alex Roger Hargreaves (Y2): Johan Roald Dahl (Y3): Zakk David Walliams (Y3/4): Iris Michael Morpurgo (Y4): Alexander Emma Carroll (Y5): Alice Anthony Horowitz (Y5): Daragh J K Rowling (Y6): Elliot & Lily



EACH WEEK, WE RECOGNISE AND REWARD THOSE WITH THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE FOR ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY.

THIS WEEK THE AWARD GOES TO: -

Eric Carle Class (Y1/2) &

David Walliams Class (Y3/4)

Well done on your excellent punctuality

Remember school opens at 8.30am

Be an on time hero!

Thank you all for your support, as always.

Have a lovely Weekend.

Mr Cotter, Miss Buscombe and all the staff at Holy Cross.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for this year.

All information is available on our website calendar.

W/C 27/01/20 Bikeability for years FS, 3 & 6

W/C 03/02/20 National Storytelling Week

W/C 17/02/20 Half Term

Monday 24/02/20 Non-pupil day

Tuesday 25/02/20
Term Begins

Wednesday 26/02/20 Ash Wednesday Whole School Mass

Friday 13/03/20 School Discos

Thursday 26/03/20 Whole School Mass

Friday 27/03/20 Last day of term

Tuesday 14/04/20 Summer Term commences

Friday 8/05/20
Early May Bank
Holiday for VE Day

Friday 22/05/20 Non-pupil day