



# Holy Cross Catholic Primary School Newsletter



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## Message from the Head of Learning

### **This week**

Thank you for sending the children back to school smart and ready to learn. They are a credit to you.

A very warm welcome to our new children and their families. We are delighted that you have joined our Holy Cross family.

Congratulations to our Holy Communion candidates who were enrolled at the Cathedral on Sunday. Please pray for the children and their families as they prepare to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. I hope that you will be able to join us at the Cathedral on Sunday 6th May at 10am to share in the children's First Holy Communion Day.

Julia Donaldson class enjoyed an exciting visit from a fire crew this week. This was the latest in a long line of visits organised as part of their class topic, 'People who help us'.



On February 19th Year Six were lucky enough to have the opportunity to go to a restaurant called Boston Tea Party.



"We shaped cookies out of the dough that the staff had provided for us (in three groups so it wouldn't get too crowded). Then, once they have been baked, we iced them; our designs were based on Chinese New Year and the Shang Dynasty. Then the head cook - called Gabby - judged the first, second and third place bakes. Third was Sonia, second was Lilia and first was Oliver L. Well done Oliver! When we left they were kind enough to give us goody bags with a sample of their delicious cake, a voucher and a free cup! It was a lot of fun! "

Niah M

**CAFOD**  
Just one world

Today is CAFOD family fast day. The children were invited to give up their snacks and to donate the money to CAFOD instead. Thank you for supporting your children with this. Please return CAFOD envelopes by the end of next week.

Please check in to ClassDojo to find out more about the wonderful learning here at Holy Cross.

Mrs Potterton  
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## 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:**

**ALL CHANGE!**



**Dear Jesus, help me to make time to be with you. Help me to enjoy being quiet and still so I can practise listening to you speaking deep in my heart.**

*Amen.*



**Public Health  
England**

**We have been made aware by Public Health England that there is a national increase above seasonal levels in cases of Scarlet Fever. Early symptoms include a sore throat, headache, fever, nausea, vomiting and flushed**



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cheeks. After 12 – 48 hours the characteristic pinhead red rash appears, developing first on the chest and stomach and then spreading. The rash will have a sandpaper like texture.



If your child shows any signs of having the above symptoms, please seek medical advice straight away. A course of antibiotics will be prescribed by your GP. Your child will only be allowed to return to school once they have been receiving medical treatment for a full 24 hour period, this is to avoid the risk of further infection within the school.

For more information please click on the link below: -

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/338368/Scarlet\\_fever\\_Q\\_and\\_A\\_factsheet.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/338368/Scarlet_fever_Q_and_A_factsheet.pdf)

**PARENTS  
EVENING**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March  
&  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.**

**Booking for Parents' Evening  
will open on E-schools on  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 9am.**

**In order to book a space to  
meet your child's teacher, you  
will need to log into E-Schools.**

If you require assistance with  
login details, please contact  
the school office.



## World Book Day Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018

Children are invited to come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book. You will also have by now received a letter regarding our competition for the children to create a bookplate for books that are donated to the school library. There will be fabulous prizes of book tokens for the best designs.

We will also be celebrating World Book Day by having a special Roald Dahl themed lunch:



Scrumdiddlyumptious  
Roast Beef (R)

Snozzcumber Courgette  
Sausage (G)

Jumbly Jacket (B)

Mr Twits Hairy Scary Beard  
Cupcakes



## Coffee Morning

At parents request we will be holding a Careers Information Coffee Morning at the Cathedral school on Tuesday 13th March at 9am.

Are you looking to return to work? Or maybe you would like information on training courses or benefits and grants available to you.

Come along and join us.

## Wonders of the Week



JD (F) – Teddy & Jack  
SJ (Y1) – Summer  
EC (Y1/2) - Mehad  
H (Y2) - Holly  
RD (Y3) - Marcus  
DKS (3) – Talulla  
MM (Y4) - Anastasia  
JKR (Y5) - Thato  
RMK (Y6) – Esme



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## Top Table Award



JD (FS) - Sunni  
SJ (Y1) – Summer  
EC (Y1/2) - Khaled  
H (Y2) – Karolina  
RD (Y3) - Yashvee  
DKS (3) - Callum  
MM (Y4) – Elliot  
JKR (Y5) - Martyna  
RMK (Y6) – Zuzanna

## PTFA News



## PTFA AGM

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February  
@ 5pm

For more information,  
please contact Justine:  
[hc.ptfa@gmail.com](mailto:hc.ptfa@gmail.com)



Please ensure your child has a warm coat, hat, gloves and scarf when coming into school. We are experiencing some cold winter weather at the moment and children need to have appropriate clothing so that they can enjoy their playtime outside.

## On Time Heroes



Being on time for school is crucial for learning.

With only a few instances of lateness across the school this week **EVERYONE** is a Hero

## CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

For information on any of the clubs running this term, please see the School Notice Board in the top playground or collect an information sheet from reception.



Once again, we have an extremely full lost property box. Please remember to label each item of your child's school uniform so that if lost, they can be reunited and not end up in the lost property box. If you are missing items of uniform, please check the box in the school office to see if your lost item is there.

## Well done!



**1<sup>st</sup> St Teresa**

**2<sup>nd</sup> St Jude**

**3<sup>rd</sup> St Andrew**

**4<sup>th</sup> St Andrew**

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Help us to encourage your child to remain hydrated throughout the school day by remembering to send your child in with their water bottle each morning.

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

**Mrs Potterton and Mr Cotter**



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## Dates for your Diary



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

All information is available on our website calendar.

- **28<sup>th</sup> February**  
**PTFA AGM**
- **1<sup>st</sup> March**  
**World Book Day & Roald Dahl Themed Lunch**
- **13<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Cathedral School Coffee Morning**
- **20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> March**  
**Parent Evenings**
- **28<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Tempest Photography – Class photos**
- **13<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Summer Fair**
- **19<sup>th</sup> July**  
**School Talent Show**
- **20<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Year 6 Leaver's Assembly**

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