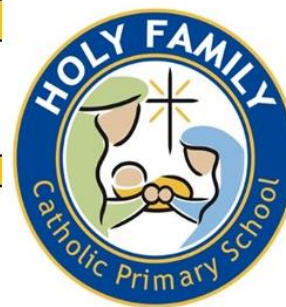


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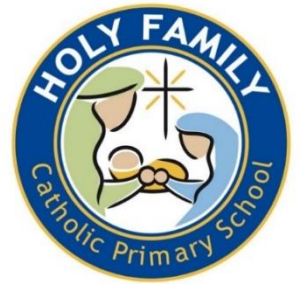


Holy Family Catholic Primary School

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Spotlight on World Book Day





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Catholic Life and RE - 'Building the Kingdom!'

This week's Mission:

Inspired by Pope Francis's message and putting our faith into action, this week our Y5/6 ECO and Chaplaincy team members helped lead our Mission assemblies to remind us that we are working towards the CAFOD 'Live simply' award to live simply, sustainably and in solidarity with our global family.

What does "living simply" mean?

These are actions that enable you to spend more time in prayer and reflection, spend time in nature appreciating God's creation, and spend time with others.

What does "living sustainably" mean?

Living sustainably means taking actions that help nurture and protect God's world. We are called to be stewards of God's creation and our common home.

What does "living in solidarity" mean?

Living in solidarity means caring for other people and helping each other, especially the poorest communities.

How can you do this at home as well?

Find out more here: <https://cafod.org.uk/campaign/livesimply-award>



One way to help is – take part in 'The Big Plastic Count'



We are taking part in The Big Plastic count next week! Please see the attached poster for further information and what children are being asked to do. The Big Plastic Count is the biggest investigation into UK household plastic waste. Last year it showed that almost 100 billion pieces of plastic are thrown away in the UK each year, with hardly any of it recycled. We ask that the children get involved with you at home and learn to understand what can be recycled. **Let's all do our bit and we can have an impact!**

Act of Kindness - Donations

We do have some beautiful items of Holy Communion clothing that has been donated, so if you are in Y3 and would like to have a look at what we have available please contact your teacher via dojo to arrange to view/try on.



Lenten Charity 2024



Thank you to those who have supported our Lenten Charity fundraising so far.

Early Years & KS1 –Fr Hudson's Good Shepherd appeal this is via the white bag (which is recyclable) to collect as much money as they can. There is also a barcode on the bag that parents can kindly donate.

KS2 - The Big Lent Walk. Children have been out walking lots this week so please support them by sponsoring via the link below:

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/holy-family-catholic-primary-school-coventry>



Y5& Y6 Youth Group

Youth Group will not be on Tuesday 19th March due to parents evening.

Wednesday Word Please see this week's Wednesday Word to pray together as a family; [Click here](#)

World Book Day

As you can see from the front page, we all had a fantastic day on Thursday celebrating World book day! The children and the staff all made a great effort and a lot of fun was had! Well done team HF!

Books are amazing and it is so important for us to inspire our children to have a love of reading. We had a great time taking part in the Masked reader and the teachers swapped classes to read one of their favourite stories to a different class. So keep reading!!



Police Visit



On Wednesday we were very lucky to have a visit from our very own school governor. Thank you for coming and allowing the children in Butterflies to sit in the van and listen to the sirens. Mrs Keating even made her self-known in the Ks2 playground and created a stir!!

I would like to thank PC Keating for giving up her time to share all about her job with us.

New PTA Launch - We need your help.



Reminder that on Monday 11th March at 2.15pm, we are holding a launch **PTA meeting** in the hope of getting some new recruits to our school PTA (Parent, Teacher Action group). If you have a little bit of time to spare and you'd like to help out please come along to share new ideas and help plan events that your child/ren will enjoy. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there.

AIP Catering

Thank you to all that signed up to the World Book Day school meal option. Please can we ask that parents of children who have school meals complete the online survey for AIP. The survey features nine questions and should take no longer than ten minutes to complete. Your feedback is valued and appreciated. [Please click this link.](#)

School Food Ordering

Please remember to order you child's meals on **Sunday evening for the week**. Again, this week the office have had to chase parents to remind them to order their child's meal choice. If children's school meals not ordered which results in your child not being able to have their food choice. If your child is absent from school, it is your responsibility to cancel your child's meal. Failure to do this, will result in a charge being made to you. Any queries regarding your child's account needs to be addressed to School Food United. Please can we remind you that if your child is on school meals that they cannot change alternate days to have pack lunches as this is not sustainable for the kitchen staff.



Parent Governor

I would like to thank Miss Berry one of our Parent Governors for giving up her time to fulfil this role over the last 4 years. We thank her for her commitment in helping make our school even better. Her time of office has come to an end therefore we now have a vacancy on our governing body.

This is an exciting opportunity for someone who is interested in making a difference to the pupils in our school. This candidate must be aged over 18 years, be the parent of a pupil currently attending Holy Family Catholic Primary School and be nominated by the parents of registered pupil(s) of Holy Family Catholic Primary School. If you would like more information on the role of Parent Governor, please pick up a nomination pack from the school office. Thank you for considering this opportunity.

Foundation Governor Vacancy

We currently also still have a place available for a foundation governor on the Governing Body. The aims of the governing body are to promote high educational standards within our school ensuring the catholic ethos of the school is upheld. To become a Foundation Governor, you must be:

- Over 18 years of age
- Preferably have a wide range of professional skills (although some training can be given)
- Be a practicing Catholic (a reference will be required from your Parish Priest)

If you would be interested in this position, please contact the school office for further information.

Football Update

On Thursday the 7th March, Holy Family boys football squad played a tough St. Osburgs side in the league. It was a great occasion with a number of boys making their debut! The game started well matched with both teams having good spells of passing. However, it didn't take long for Shay to break the deadlock with a great finish into the bottom corner. This gave Holy Family a boost in confidence, keeping the ball better and taking more shots. This led to Ryan scoring a blistering long range effort. 2-0 Holy Family. In the second half, Euan kept Holy Family in the game with some outrageous saves. St. Osburgs definitely came out fighting. Holy Family's persistence paid off though with Andre scoring a quick double of well-deserved goals cutting in from the left each time. Jeremiah scored a fantastic volley with his weaker foot to make it five and a well-placed freekick by Shay to make it 6. Cole did a brilliant job of holding up the ball and causing the defenders problems. In the end it finished 6-0 to Holy Family. A great game had by all! Opposing player of the match was awarded to Euan.



Parents Evenings YN-Y5

Thank you to all who have booked your child's parents evening appointment, please be reminded the closing date is **6.00pm** this evening. [click this link](#) to book. It is essential that parents attend to ensure your child is making the best possible progress and that we can support each other in doing this. (Please be advised that if your child is on the SEND register, you do **NOT** need to book on to this parents evening.

(If your child is in Reception or Y1 please use the Library Entrance near the Nursery to sign in for parents evening all other year from Y2 to Y5 please come in via the school office.)

YN-Y5 Thursday 14th March 3.30pm-5.30pm and YN-Y5 Tuesday 19th March 5.30pm-7.30pm

Larks & Owls



Bookings for the Easter Holiday Club are still open. Please email LandO@hollyfamily.coventry.sch.uk for more information.

SENDIASS Coffee Morning – Tuesday 19th March 2024

This is a session for Parents/Carers of Children or Young People with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND). The session offers a great way to meet other parents/carers who may be in a similar situation, and an opportunity to share with others in a friendly, non-judgemental environment, together with a member of staff from SENDIASS.

When: Tuesday 19th March 2024, 9.30am – 11.30am

New Venue: The Wave, Coffee Tots Community Room, New Union Street, Coventry, CV1 2PS

Please see the leaflet below (and attached) for more information. If you would like to come along, please let us know so we have an idea of numbers. Contact us via email: iass@coventry.gov.uk or TEL: 024 7669 4307.

Coventry Football Coaching Course **Please see attached poster.**

This event will be held at Bishop Ullathorne Catholic Secondary school in the half term break. Please contact them direct if you would like to book your child on to the camp.

Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Penny Park Lane, Coventry, CV6 2GU Tel: 02476-333631

Email: admin@hollyfamily.coventry.sch.uk

Website: www.hollyfamily.coventry.sch.uk



Music Appreciation 'World Book Day'



This week's music appreciation is from MC Grammar we have been listening to his songs that are about learning. Mc Grammar is an English advisor from London. He loves learning and music he has combined the two together. His real name is Jacob Mitchell. He returns with his second World Book Day song Reading Is Amazing, which has been viewed over 850,000 times on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZpTkjssrL4k>



Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Griffiths
Headteacher

<div>  Attendance & Punctuality for this week Whole School attendance 95.6%  </div>							
	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	95.1%	96.4%	96.2%	95.2%	97%	96.8%	94.3%
Well done to Y4W for 97% the highest attendance this week!							

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YRW/C	CHIMEREMEZE	Y2C	MICHAEL
Y2C	OLIWIER		
Happy Birthday to you we hope you all Enjoy celebrating			

HEAD TEACHERS MERIT

Y6 Mrs Tompkins

Millie Clarke
Kylan Cruise



Y6 Miss Thompson

Scarlett Farrell
Noah Stinton

Y5 Mrs Corr-Wilson

Jebishan Jeyabalan
Faustyna Musial

Y5 Mr Newell

Kacper Ortman
Evlín Franklin

Y4 Mr Richardson

Marcel Sara
Joseph Corcoran

Y4 Mrs Ward

Julian Benarek
Harley Williams

Y3 Mrs Silvera

Whole Class

Y3 Mrs Nicholls

Caelan Dunne
Nirvana Giampaglia

Y2 Mrs Marlowe

Delano Clark
Orla De Smet

Y2 Miss Clyde

Luca Gough
Jakub Swiatek

Y1 Mrs Twycross/Mrs Parkes

Gabriel Bednarek
Adelyn O'Callaghan

Y1 Miss Brown

Kavan Thandi
Verity-Joy Malazzab

YR Mrs Kailey

Holly Neilson
Laura Kamionka

YR Mrs Wood/Mrs Cole

Ada McGuire
Isabella McGuire

Nursery Superstars

Tobias Lasek
Akhalya Narasimman

*Well done to all of you for your
hard work this week!*

*Keep it up from
Mrs Griffiths*



Dear Parents and Carers,

8th March 2024

As part of our continued efforts to **live simply, sustainably and in solidarity** with our global family and in line with Pope Francis's letter, *Laudato Si* (Care for our Common home), we would like to **invite everyone at home to participate in positive change.**

Together, we can build even more evidence about what happens to our plastic waste to help put a stop to the plastic crisis.

In 2022, nearly 250,000 people from schools, households and communities across the country made The Big Plastic Count the biggest ever investigation into UK household plastic waste. It showed that nearly 100 billion pieces of plastic are thrown away in the UK each year, with hardly any of it recycled.

The rest is burned, sent abroad or ends up in landfill. We can't recycle our way out of the plastic waste crisis, so The Big Plastic Count is back – and this time we've got an even bigger target in our sights – The Global Plastics Treaty.

By joining thousands of people across the country and counting all the plastic you throw away for a week, you can gather the vital evidence we need to convince UK ministers, supermarkets and big brands to lead the way at the global talks that could finally phase out plastic production for good.

Let's get counting to make the Global Plastics Treaty as big and bold as it can be.



The UK Government needs to push for a strong and ambitious Global Plastics Treaty. The treaty needs to include an end to plastic pollution, a phase-out of new plastic production, and ensure a just and inclusive transition to a low-carbon, zero-waste, reuse-based economy.

This isn't about rating anyone's recycling habits, and we wouldn't want anyone to feel embarrassed by how much plastic they use. We know that there are some plastic items which are essential, especially for disabled people, or people with medical conditions, and so these won't be included in the count.

HOW TO TAKE PART

It's easy! From Monday morning until Sunday evening, **count as you throw!**

Simply mark every piece of plastic package as you throw it away on the [Let's Count Tally Sheet](#).

TOP TIPS

1. Put the [Let's Count Tally Sheet](#) up on your fridge, or near your bin or recycling.
2. Tell everyone you live with that you're going to be taking part and ask them to include their plastic waste in the count too.
3. Using the [Let's Count Tally Sheet](#), record the different types of household plastic packaging waste you use for one week. This includes plastic going in your bin and plastic you put out for recycling.
4. Use the [Plastic ID Tool](#) to look up plastic items if you need to.
5. Remember to write down any piece of plastic packaging you use while out and about, then mark it on your tally sheet when you get back home.

WHAT NOT TO COUNT

- ▶ **Don't** include: plasters, medication packaging, non-dairy milk/juice cartons, nappies, dog poo bags, plastic cutlery or period products.
- ▶ We **don't** want to include plastic items that are used for medical or sanitary reasons, or by people with disabilities who rely on plastic items for independence.
- ▶ Also, we are **not** counting coffee cups or Tetra Pak, the plasticised cardboard material that many juice/milk cartons are made of.
- ▶ Check out the Plastic ID Tool online to familiarise yourself with the kinds of plastics we're counting up for this survey.

Once your household has completed the survey, your child will:

Bring the [Let's Count Tally Sheet](#) in on Monday **18th March** so they can record their results and submit them in class.

Find out more about The Big Plastic Count here: thebigplasticcount.com.

We'd like to say a huge thank you for taking part in this important investigation!

Together, we can build even more evidence about what really happens to our plastic.

Many thanks for your support

Mrs Griffiths



Looking for something to do during the Easter Holidays?

**Come on down to the Coventry
Dementia Partnership Hub,
Everdon Road, Holbrooks,
CV6 4DT.**

**Children's easter competition on
Tuesday 26th March and Tuesday
2nd April. Prizes available for
winners.**

**Café open between 10:30am –
2:30pm, with children's menu
available.**



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COVENTRY FOOTBALL COACHING COURSE



AT: BISHOP ULLATHORNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL
LEASOWES AVENUE, COVENTRY CV3 6BH

STARTING: SATURDAY 13TH APRIL 2024

Saturdays: Group 1: Reception & Year 1.....9.00am-10.00am
Group 2: Year 2 & 3.....10.00am-11.00am
Group 3: Year 4, 5 & 6.....11.00am-12.00pm

Dear Parents,

I am pleased to inform you that, due to the huge success of our football courses over the last **22 years**, we are following up the football coaching programme for the season starting in April 2024. The course will run for approximately 12 weeks and the programme is for boys and girls aged between 4 and 12.

About our Course

- The unique practice techniques are specifically designed to work with children of all abilities, ranging from the absolute beginner to the more advanced player.
- The course is run by **F.A qualified coaches**, who are **DBS** checked, and hold an advanced premier skills qualification, they are currently working with children, enabling them to learn essential football techniques, building **CONFIDENCE**, improving **FITNESS** and providing the most important ingredient **FUN!**
- Children will be fully supervised at all times, although parents are welcome to stay and watch.
- Each child will be provided with a football for individual practice and their progress will be recorded each week.
- It is an **indoor** course held in the **new state of the art sports hall**, therefore children may wear trainers and sportswear. We may go outdoors in good weather.
- **Ex Premier League Birmingham City, West Bromwich Albion and Fulham player Geoff Horsfield** quotes, "I've coached on these courses with the team and they are fantastic in the way they deliver their coaching sessions!"
- **Ex England World Cup star and Sky Sports pundit Paul Merson** quotes, "I have presented trophies to the children on these courses and it's great to see the smiles on their faces and sense of achievement!"

Presentation of trophies and award

- On the final week of the course, we hold a presentation, whereby **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE AN ENGRAVED TROPHY.**
- Children also have a chance to win many other special individual awards and trophies for various skills, including '**premier league**' and '**penalty shoot out**' competitions.
- Parents and friends are most welcome to attend the presentation and watch the children being presented with their awards, as this encourages a fantastic atmosphere.

The cost of the course is £8 per week; payment is made every 4 weeks with the first payment of £32 due on week 1. **Please Note:** Places are limited, therefore bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis

Mark Frith (course co-ordinator)

www.soccercoachinguk.co.uk

TO RESERVE PLACES PLEASE TEXT:

BISHOP ULLATHORNE + CHILD'S FULL NAME + AGE + GROUP NO. (1, 2 or 3)
and receive confirmation by text to:

07827 322780

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