

Newsletter Autumn Term Week 5
Friday 2nd October 2026

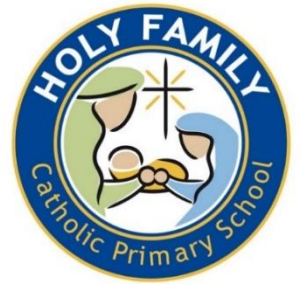
Holy Family Catholic Primary School



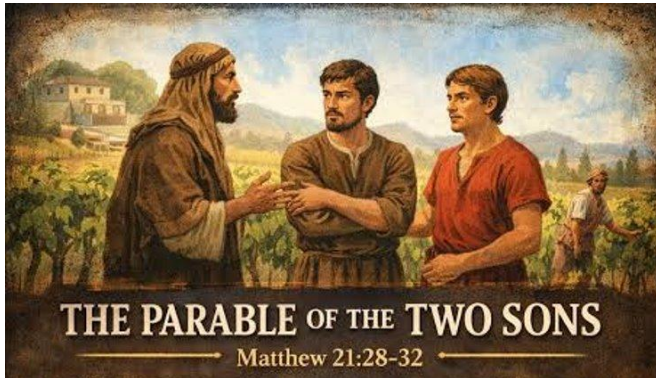
*Jesus said "Let the children come to me"
We live and learn and love in his way.*

Spotlight on One Life—Walking with Mary





Catholic Life and Mission



Actions speak
louder than Words



Our Mission this week

We listened to another of Jesus' parables from Matthew's Gospel of the two sons, where the first son said they would not work, but then did, and the second said they would work, and then did not. We discussed which did the Father's will, how both sons changed their minds – but only one of them changed for the better. This parable teaches us:

Actions speak louder than words

It's never too late to change and turn to God

Saying 'Yes' after 'No' still matters

Each new day is an opportunity for us to change. We can ask God to help us to change – to love as Jesus loved and to change for the better.

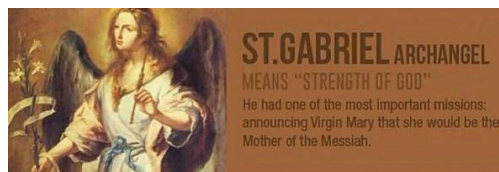
This Tuesday was the Feast Day of the 3 Archangels: These will be the names of the new Diocesan CMATS. We ask them to pray for us



ST. MICHAEL ARCHANGEL
MEANS "WHO IS AS GOD?"
He is one of the main angels. His name is a battle cry; both shield and weapon in the struggle against the enemy.



ST. RAPHAEL ARCHANGEL
MEANS "DIVINE HEALER"
He is friend of the walkers and doctor of the sick both physically and spiritually.



ST. GABRIEL ARCHANGEL
MEANS "STRENGTH OF GOD"
He had one of the most important missions: announcing Virgin Mary that she would be the Mother of the Messiah.

Walking with Mary

On Thursday 1st October, Year 5 hosted the One Life School Pilgrimage, Walking with Mary, with the well-known Dan and Emily at Holy Family church. Children from Catholic schools across the city joined together for a time of devotion to Our Lady, through music, sharing and prayer. It was a wonderful, joyous and holy occasion- a memorable and spirit-filled pilgrimage. Well done Year 5- you were fantastic ambassadors of our school!

Wednesday Word

This week's gospel is from Matthew 21:33-43. Jesus tells a story about a landowner renting out his vineyard, but when the time comes for the landowners servants to collect his fruit, they are seized by the tenants. Have a read with your child and see what it means to you.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>

Our Faith in Action

Friday 9th October is a non-uniform day in celebration of World Mental Health Day, please see posters attached. This is a lovely opportunity for us to look out for each other as well as raise money for important charities that can help others.

World Mental Health Day is on 10 October, so we are celebrating it on Friday 9th. We are doing this in two ways. Firstly, the pupils are invited to wear clothes to school that make them feel happy! Secondly, we are hosting 'Tea & Talk', an hour for the Parents and Carers of our school community to come together to share a hot drink, a slice of cake and a chat. All money raised from the day will be shared between The Samaritans and School Fund.

We ask for £1 per pupil for the non-uniform day, and also, donations of cakes would be happily received on Thursday and Friday that week for our 'Tea & Talk' event. Any cakes left over will then be sold by the school council on the playground after school. Please send in cash on the day, or visit our 'Just Giving' page to make a donation: Holy Family Catholic Primary School is fundraising for Samaritans or scan the QR code attached.



Thank you in advance for your support.

Support Request

A member of staff within the Archdiocese is undertaking research as part of a PhD and is keen to **hear the views and experiences of parents and carers whose children attend Catholic primary schools**. The research is a survey which should take no longer than 5 minutes.

The findings from this research will be used to help **enhance and support Catholic education**, so we would be very grateful for your participation. **Parents and carers of all faiths, and those of no faith, are warmly encouraged to take part** – your views and experiences are important.

Participation is entirely voluntary, and consent can be withdrawn at any time.

To find out more and take part, please click here: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/YcKE9XC8vC>

Thank you for supporting this valuable research.

Click here for the Parish website for newsletters: <https://hf-cov.org.uk/wp/>

Maternity leave!



Mrs Parkes has now finished to start her maternity leave and have a well-deserved rest before baby Parkes arrives! We wish her and her family all the best and look forward to hearing about the new baby when he or she arrives!

We look forward to welcoming Miss Ashby to our school to cover her maternity leave in Y1

Special Birthday

Everyone from Holy Family like to wish Miss Brown a very happy special birthday! We hope you enjoy your birthday weekend!





Autumn 1:1 Parent's Evenings

We have also set the dates for our one-to-one parent's evenings to give you plenty of notice. They will take place on **Tuesday 24th November 5.00pm - 7.30pm** and **Thursday 26th November 3.30pm - 5.30pm**. Further information will follow for parents to book appointments via the online parent booking system.

School Photographs

F8 Imaging will be in school on the **6th October** to take individual and sibling school photographs. Please send your child to school in full school uniform on this day. If you would like siblings to have photographs together, please arrive at the school office from **8:00am**. We kindly ask that all parents stay with your children and once they have had their photo taken, please take your child to their normal entrance door.

Nasal Flu Vaccines

The nasal flu vaccine will take place in school on Friday **23rd October**. Please read the attached poster for information on consenting.

Teacher days

Please see the attached term dates with all final teacher days set for this year including a new one on 12th February 2027. This has been attached to the half term break to enable you to benefit from cheaper holidays. Please add all dates to your diary.

School Gates

Please make sure to read the attached information regarding the open and closing times for our new school gates. Any visitors to the school outside of these times should use the main pedestrian gate and press the buzzer to gain access.

Netball

On Thursday Holy Family netball team took on All Souls in their very first match of the season! From the start it was a well-matched game, but All Souls bagged the first goal. We went into the second quarter 1-0 but after some excellent attacking play we managed to end the second quarter 2-1 with a goal from Nicolas. The game continued to be a great match, with both sides showing equal skill and determination. In the last quarter we really shone with Rory scoring a hat trick! The final score was 4-4 and myself and Miss Healy were so proud of how the children played, listened to feedback and showed great sportsmanship throughout the game. We are looking forward to our next match already!

Music Appreciation of the Week

This week's music appreciation is REM's 'Losing my Religion'. It was released on February 19, 1991 and was the first single from their seventh album, Out of Time (1991). It developed from a mandolin riff improvised by the guitarist, Peter Buck. The lyrics, written by the singer, Michael Stipe, concern disillusionment and unrequited love. 'Losing My Religion' is R.E.M.'s highest-charting hit in the United States, reaching No. 4 on the Billboard Hot 100 and expanding their popularity.



Have a lovely Weekend
Mrs G Griffiths
Headteacher



Attendance for this week

Whole School attendance

94.4%



	YR	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	93%	96.1%	93.9%	98%	96.5%	95.4%	91.7%

Congratulations to Y3CW for the highest attendance of 99.3% this week!



Y2N	Jazlyn Franklin	Y6TN	Oliver Kirkland
Y1B	Nithive Advik	Y6ST	Emmie-Faith Girling
Y1NP	Amber Willson	Y4R	George Button
Butterflies	Skylar Njunga	Y3C	Maisie Nagra
Y4W	Kalle Girling		

We hope you all have a lovely birthday!

HEAD TEACHERS MERIT & WRITER OF THE WEEK

**Y6 Mrs Twycross &
Mrs Newman**
Oliver Kirkland
Chloe Mohammed



Y6 Miss Thompson
Emmie Girling
Scarlett Lilley

Y5 Mrs Cocksworth
Benjamin Roberts
Shavonne Khan

Y5 Mrs Mariadoss
Pola Leczycka
William Clarke

Y4 Mr Richardson
Gabriel Bednarek
Ethan Farrell

**Y4 Mrs Ward &
Mrs Wood**
Chrizya Gonsalves
Edythe Collin

Y3 Mrs Corr-Wilson
Ezra Jay Brown
Rebecca Downey

Y3 Miss Clyde
Ada McGuire
Jake Naylor

Y2 Mrs Marlowe
Zivah Ariel Leo
Jayden Awotwe

Y2 Mr Newell
Jazlyn Franklin
Leo Chroscinski

**Y1 Mrs Nicholls &
Mrs Parkes**
Alexander Bennett
Amia Pratheep

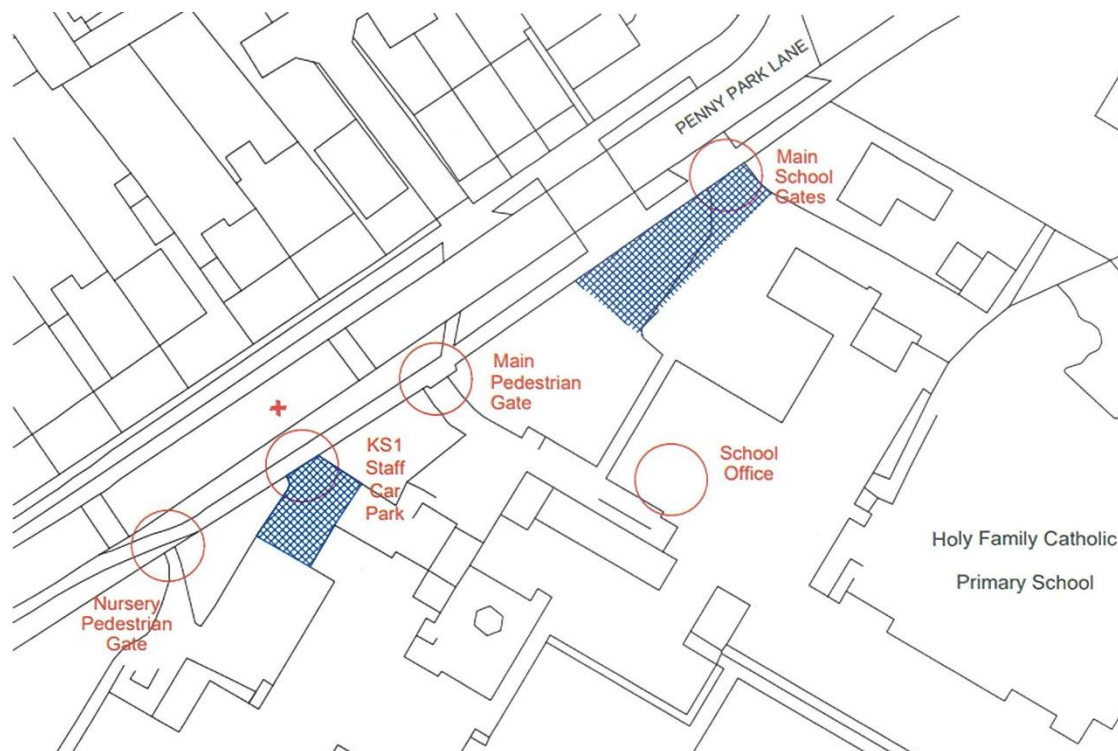
Y1 Miss Brown
Jesse Dzasani
Freddie Newman

Nursery
Rosie Hopkins
George Wilson

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

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEW GATE ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS



We are pleased to share with you that our new electronic gates are now fully operational. Please read the following operating instructions and opening and closing times below:

Gate Opening Times

Main School Gates: 8:30am - 9:05am (for usual drop off and pick up)

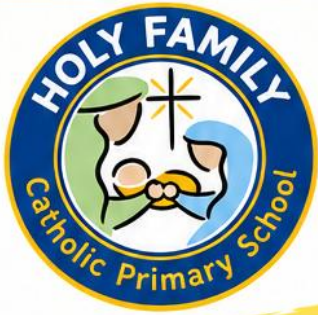
Main Pedestrian Gate: 7:00am - 9:00am (for any visitors or lates)

Nursery Pedestrian Gate: 8:30am-9:05am, 11:30am-12:00pm, 3:00pm-3:45pm. Please enter and leave via this gate – not cut through the car park after collecting other children.

KS1 Staff Car Park Gate: 7:00am - 8:30am (not to be used by parents/visitors)

Visitors outside these times should use the Main Pedestrian Gate and press the buzzer to contact the school office.

Working together we can help keep everyone safe!



Together
we can make
a difference

SAMARITANS



Here to listen, 24/7

Tea and talk

Friday 9th October
2:15 - 3:15pm

Parents and Guardians, this event is for you!
Please join us in celebrating **World Mental Health Day** by putting an hour aside for yourself to have a hot drink, a slice of cake and a chat.

A hot
drink



A slice
of cake



A chat

Money raised will be shared between

SAMARITANS

and

School Fund

Thank you!



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SAMARITANS



CELEBRATE WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

on Friday 9th October



Wear clothes that
make you feel happy



We are asking for
a £1 donation, and
would also be grateful
for donations of cake
for our 'Tea and Talk'
session!



Any cakes left over will be
available for pupils to buy
after school.



Donations will be split between
Samaritans and School Fund.

Thank you!

Don't miss out on your child's **FREE** flu vaccine

NHS
Coventry and
Warwickshire Partnership
NHS Trust



The School Aged Immunisation Service will
be coming to your school on:



23rd October 2026

Look out for an email or text with a consent form.
If you do not receive the consent email or text, please contact
your School Aged Immunisation Service OR follow this link to
complete a consent form for your child:

[Give or refuse consent for your child's flu vaccination –
Give or refuse consent for vaccinations](#)

Please contact us on:



02476 961422 Bewise.Immunise@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

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

Email: admin@holyfamily.coventry.sch.uk Website: www.holyfamily.coventry.sch.uk



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OCTOBER HALF TERM

OCTOBER 22ND - 30TH

A HOLIDAY TO REMEMBER 6 AMAZING VENUES

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Turn over for more info:

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OUR VENUES

BEDWORTH



EXHALL JUNIOR SCHOOL
CV7 9NS

COVENTRY



HOLLYFAST PRIMARY SCHOOL
CV6 2AH

**LEAMINGTON
SPA**



OAKLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
CV33 9QE

NUNEATON



PARK LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL
CV10 8NL

RUGBY



RUGBY COLLEGE
CV21 1AR

RUGBY



ROKEBY PRIMARY SCHOOL
CV22 5PE

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BOOKINGS ALSO LIVE!

WHY CHOOSE US!

- 👤 ALL INSTRUCTORS DBS CHECKED AND SAFEGAURD TRAINED
- 👤 EXPERIENCED & PASSIONATE COACHES
- 👤 MULTI HAF LOCATIONS ACROSS WARWICKSHIRE & WASALL
- 👤 ALL CHILDREN ACROSS HAF VENUES ARE FED
- 👤 FUN & ENGAGING ACTIVITIES
- 👤 TRUSTED BY PARENTS & SCHOOLS

EMAIL: BOOKINGS@KITSACADEMY.COM

BOOK NOW!

TO BOOK PLEASE SCAN YOUR VENUES QR CODE TO SEE THE AMAZING ACTIVITIES WE HAVE TO OFFER OR IF YOU ENQUIRE MORE INFORMATION USE THE NUMBER BELOW.

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SCAN THE QR CODE TO
MESSAGE US VIA WHATS APP
DIRECTLY.