

Newsletter Autumn Term Week 5
Friday 3rd October 2025



Holy Family Catholic Primary School

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Spotlight on Year 1





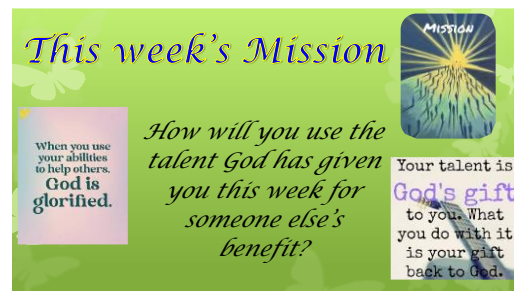
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Catholic Life and Mission

This week's Mission

'How will you use the talent God has given you this week for someone else's benefit?'

We listened to the Gospel according to Luke 16:19-31 where Jesus told the parable of the rich man and the poor man. The rich man was not generous and good whilst on earth so suffered after he had died, unlike Lazarus who was poor and suffered on earth was blessed and happy in Heaven. This teaches us that we should always use our gifts and talents to help those in need, 'living' in Jesus' way.



Live, Learn and Love

Laudato Si' Retreat

On Tuesday I had the pleasure of taking a group of our Y5 pupils to Oscott College in Birmingham for a special Laudato Si' retreat day. The children were made up of some of our Peacemakers, Eco & Chaplaincy teams. We had a wonderful day in the sun exploring nature and thinking about our common home, how we should look after it, living more simply and sustainably. It was a lovely day and the children were a credit to our school.



Fan the Flame - Year 5 Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope

As part of the Jubilee Year of Hope celebrations, our Year 5 pupils (along with pupils from 22 schools across the Diocese) took part in a very special pilgrimage hosted here at Holy Family Church. The day was led so beautifully by Dan and Emily from One Life Music, who guided our children in prayer, reflection, and joyful worship.

The atmosphere was filled with a real sense of faith and community. The children's singing was truly uplifting, filling the space with energy and hope. Each school proudly carried the beautiful banners they had carefully designed and created, each one a symbol of the school's faith journey and the hope we share together.

A particular highlight was the readings delivered by our own Holy Family pupils, who spoke with confidence and reverence, reminding us all of the importance of hope, love, and trust in God.

It was a memorable and faith-filled occasion, bringing our community together in celebration and giving Year 5 a wonderful opportunity to live out the message of the Jubilee Year of Hope.

Let's Fan the Flame of Hope together!



BTK Harvest



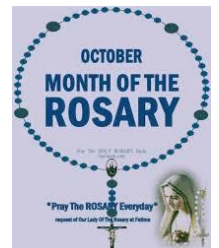
At this time of year, we think of all we have to be grateful for, particularly the food from the harvest. Next Friday 10th October we will be celebrating Mass for Harvest, this will be led by **Y4R at 9.15am in Church**. We would like to ask for your generosity by sending in donations of **preserved food** next week that will then be distributed to local food banks. Helping us to live in solidarity with our community.



October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

The Rosary is a prayer to remind us that Jesus loved us so much that he died on the cross for us. The Rosary tells the story of Jesus' life in four parts called mysteries:

- The Joyful Mysteries
- The Sorrowful Mysteries
- The Glorious Mysteries
- The Luminous Mysteries



Our chaplaincy team will be leading the Rosary club every lunchtime, which is open for all pupils. Children are invited to bring in their Rosary beads from home and keep them in school for the month.

Coffee Morning Brain Tumour Charity, Mary Ann Hospice & Dementia UK

Thank you to all who came and supported last Sunday's Coffee morning. It was really successful event that raised a fantastic amount of £750.00 for these charities. Well done and thank you to Miss Taylor for organising the event and to all those who helped. It was a joy to see our Parish coming together.



[Wednesday word - Please click the link to see this week's Wednesday word.](#)

[Please click this link for Holy Family Church weekly newsletter](#)

Star Vision Photography



Reminder: School photographs will be taken **next Tuesday 7th October**. If you wish to have sibling photographs, please arrive at the office from 8.00am. We kindly ask that all parents stay with your children and then once your photograph is taken, please take your child to their normal entrance door. Thank you

World Mental Health Day

Reminder: On **Friday 10th October**, it is 'World Mental Health Day'. To mark the day, we are asking the children to wear yellow to school, and are also inviting parents and carers to join us in having a hot drink and a slice of cake at 2.15pm – an event that we are calling 'Tea and Talk'. We will be asking for donations of cakes closer to the time, and will be selling any leftover cakes after school too. All proceeds of the day will go to 'Young Minds' and 'Mind' – two excellent charities which support Mental Health.

You can also donate to Mind here...

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/holy-family-catholic-primary-school-5>

and donate to YoungMinds here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/holy-family-catholic-primary-school-4>



We have also been advised that Coventry & Warwickshire offer an evening mental health support session in the community. **Please see attached poster for support.**



Autumn 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 11th November 5.00pm - 7.30pm** and **Thursday 13th November 3.30pm - 5.30pm**. Further information will follow for parents to book appointments via the online parent booking system.

Merit Certificate Competition

Last chance reminder: It's that exciting time again where we hold our design the Headteacher Merit competition. This is where your child can create their very own merit certificate for our weekly merit. The School Council will be the children choosing the winner. We ask that all entries are given to their class teacher by registration **WEDNESDAY on 8th October** with full names and class on the back - this is important so that the school council are not influenced by seeing a pupil's name. We look forward to seeing all of their designs. Please remember they must be the child's own work!



Food Allergies Reminder



Please can we remind you that **NO EGGS or NUTS or SEEDS/ Chocolate spreads should come into school in your child's packed lunch!!**

It is highly important that items such as chocolate spread are not given to the children in their lunch as some chocolate spreads advise traces of nuts and they are not a healthy option. Also, do not send in eggs in sandwiches and cereal bars with nuts in as these can be fatal to some of our children.

In some cases, the class teacher may Dojo parents to advise of any other allergens that they have in their class so you can be mindful of lunch choices for your child. Keeping our children safe is a priority.

Casual Supervisory Assistant Vacancy

We are looking for a casual, reliable and caring Supervisory Assistant to supervise our children during lunch times. We currently have one vacancy to cover sickness absence. The hours could be up to 6.25 hours per week, Monday to Friday (term time only). If you are interested or wish to find out more, please call the school office and ask for an application form.

AIP Special Theme Day

Thank you to all who signed up to this week's special theme day menu, we hope that all the newcomers enjoyed this special theme dinner.

Please can we remind all parents that your child's school meals should be ordered on the Sunday for the week. The office have had to send messages this week to remind parents. If this continues then parents will be asked to drop in a packed lunch instead.



First Encounters with Shakespeare: King Lear

We are delighted to announce that Edgewick Primary school will be hosting a very special production of Shakespeare's King Lear, presented in the Royal Shakespeare Company's **First Encounters** format. This unique performance brings Shakespeare's language to life in an accessible and engaging way, designed especially for young people experiencing his work for the first time. Holy Family pupils are invited with their families as part of Holy Family being an RSC associate school.

This performance marks an exciting moment for our school as we begin to introduce **Shakespeare into the English curriculum**. To support this, we have appointed a team of **Shakespeare Ambassadors**—students who will champion his works, lead activities, and help inspire a love of theatre and language among their peers.

As part of this journey, our staff and students are also embracing the **RSC's rehearsal room techniques**—dynamic, interactive strategies that place creativity and performance at the heart of learning. These approaches are already being used across the school to develop deeper understanding, spark confidence, and improve writing for all learners.

The First Encounters production of King Lear promises to be an unforgettable experience, giving our students the chance not only to enjoy one of Shakespeare's greatest plays, but also to connect with it in fresh, exciting, and meaningful ways.

We hope to see as many of our families there as possible. It would be especially useful for the children in choir and drama as they will be participating in their own Shakespeare Playmaking Festival later this academic year.

Keeping our children safe - Parent/Carers Webinar

The Coventry Violence reduction team are hosting a free 1-hour webinar about keeping our children safe. Please see flyer below to book on. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parents-carers-webinar-building-safety-for-our-children-young-people-tickets-1678334857739>



Music Appreciation

This month is 'A Capella' month & our music appreciation this week has been from Jared Halley, 'Country Roads'. This is a blast from the past - enjoy singing along with your child!

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs G Griffiths
Headteacher



  			
Y1P/T	Jazlyn	Y6CT	Julian
Y2M	Maisie	Y5M	Emmie-Faith
Y1P/T	Skylar	Y3N	George
Y1P/T	Sean	Y4R	Benjamin
Y2N	Macy	Y6ST	Brooke-Lynn
WE HOPE YOU ALL HAVE LOVELY BIRTHDAY			

 <p>Attendance & Punctuality for this week</p> <p>Whole School attendance 96.4%</p> 							
	YR	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	96.3%	95%	95.8 %	96%	97.2%	95.2%	95.2%
Well done to Y4 for 97.2% the highest attendance this week!							

HEAD TEACHERS MERIT

Y6 Mrs Tompkins

Harley Williams
Conor Skeffington



Y6 Miss Thompson

Reggie Kelly
Evelyn Walsh

Y5 Mrs Corr-Wilson

Mikolja Dobosz
Mila Ledwidge

Y5 Mrs Mariadoss

Kasia Gawron
Teddy Currie

Y4 Mr Richardson

Sehaj Rama
Dotty McCloskey

Y4 Mrs Ward

Jacob Sawicki
William Clarke

Y3 Mrs Nicholls & Mrs Newman

Shar'rae Nnshuti
Micheal Boateng

Y3 Miss Clyde

Verity-Joy Malazzab
Joel Roberts

Y2 Mrs Marlowe

Rebecca Downey
Mabel Webb -Finn

Y2 Mr Newell

Macy Hollingsworth
Karol Dlugosz

Y1 Mrs Parkes & Mrs Twycross

Ari Jeyaruban
Mirabel Nwugu

Y1 Miss Brown

Dottie Green
Janina Egboja

Nursery Superstars

Noah Jackson
Nylah Gibson

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



Tea & Talk



...on World Mental Health Day

Please join us on Friday 10th October at 2.15pm, for a chance to have a hot drink, a slice of cake and most importantly, time to talk to each other.

Let's look after our Mental Health.

All proceeds will go to 'Mind' and 'Young Minds'

YOUNG MiNDS
fighting for young people's mental health



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Website: www.holyfamily.coventry.sch.uk





Friday 17th October 2025 @ 6pm
Edgewick Community Primary School

First Encounters: King Lear

A king announces that he will divide his kingdom between his three daughters according to how much they love him.

Lear thinks he will live out his old age with all of the comforts of kingship, and none of the responsibility. But the eldest two daughters, Goneril & Regan, have other ideas in mind - and he has given away all power to stop them. His vanity has devastating consequences for family, nation and climate.

Our First Encounters with Shakespeare production makes Shakespeare's play about family, power and betrayal relevant for a new generation of theatregoers.

This 80-minute version of *King Lear* uses an edited version of the original play to create **the perfect introduction** for young people aged 7-13 and their families.

Tickets are £5 and can be purchased using the below Eventbrite link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rsc-first-encounters-king-lear-tickets-1755577973979?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

The tour of *First Encounters: King Lear* is supported using public funding by the National Lottery through Arts Council England, which makes it possible for the RSC to expand its tour to work in partnership with more places across England.



Parent & Carers Webinar

**Building safety
for our young
people**



The 1 hour webinar will..
Explore some of the risks and
issues facing children & young
people, and consider how as
parents/ carers we can
support our children's safety &
wellbeing



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VIOLENCE
REDUCTION UNIT

[Click here to book via
Eventbrite](#)

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Immunisations

It is important to make sure that your child is vaccinated against different illnesses. The Immunisation team will soon notify your local school about their upcoming visit to give the flu nasal spray. In the meantime, you can check your child's vaccination status by visiting the following link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/>

Handwashing

With the cooler weather, we can expect more cold and flu outbreaks, as well as other bugs like Norovirus. It's important to remember to use good handwashing techniques and to remember "catch it, bin it, kill it!" Remember to wash your hands after blowing your nose, sneezing, or coughing to help stop the spread of germs. You can watch a video demonstrating good handwashing technique by following this link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/>



BONFIRE & FIREWORK SAFETY

Remember to follow these safety guidelines during fireworks and bonfire displays:

- Adults should supervise the activity.
- Stand a safe distance away from bonfires and firework displays.
- Light fireworks at arm's length.
- Do not store or light fireworks in pockets or on streets/roads.
- Never return to a lit firework.
- Ensure bonfires are extinguished before leaving them.
- Wear gloves when using sparklers as they can get hot enough to cause burns.
- Do not wave sparklers near people, and dispose of them in a bucket of water after use.
- If you catch fire, stop, drop to the floor, cover your face, and roll to help put out the fire. Share this method with others to raise awareness.



WATER SAFETY

Whilst you settle into the coming months, we wanted to take this opportunity to share some important safety messages with you. Stay away from the edge of waterways, lakes and ponds. At this time of the year, these can be more slippery and hidden beneath fallen leaves, frost, ice or snow.

When not walking in daylight, make sure you are walking in well-lit areas. Avoid walking near waterways in the dark.

Remember to stay off ice! Teaching children the importance of staying off ice as early as possible is vital. When waterways, lakes and ponds freeze over, we don't know how thick the surface ice is; it could break and plunge you to the depths of the water beneath it. Under no circumstances should you risk treading on ice!



Contact us (Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, excluding bank holidays)

 01926 495321 Ext 7494

 swg-tr.contactschoolnursescoventry@nhs.net

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Text via  ChatHealth

07507 329 114 (Parent Line)



<https://linktr.ee/coventringschoolnursing>



**Coventry School
Nursing Team**



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SCHOOL NURSING NEWSLETTER

Primary Schools

WELCOME



A big welcome to the autumn 2025 term! We hope you had a lovely summer and have settled into the back-to-school (or, for some of you, new to school) routine. We look forward to seeing you all this term, whether this is for the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) or an appointment we have arranged together.

This is a reminder that the school nursing service operates during school holidays as well. We work Monday to Friday 8:30am-5pm, excluding bank holidays and public holidays. Details are at the bottom of the page.

Here's a reminder of what the School Nursing team can support you with:

- Toileting
- Sleep
- Challenges with eating and diet
- Delivering the NCMP for Reception and Year 6 pupils
- Puberty
- Emotional health and how to relax
- Managing behaviour
- Hygiene

Be Active Be Healthy

The **Be Active Be Healthy (BABH)** team provides exercise and healthy lifestyle programs to improve children's health in Coventry. Their programmes help families reduce weight, increase physical activity, and adopt healthier long-term habits. To learn more about their services, visit

linktr.ee/be_active_be_healthy_team

School Readiness

Reception can seem a big step compared to nursery. The Coventry School Nursing Team are here to support your child with the transition and offer advice and with settling in and school readiness.

The Coventry School Nursing team offer hearing screening via our clinics and the NCMP (National Child Measurement Programme) which can help tackle any eating, diet or growth concerns.

We also encourage parents/carers to complete our Health Questionnaire which can highlight any areas of support your child may need at school. For further information please take a look at the following links, or contact the main office.

Toileting, Constipation and/or daytime and bedtime wetting support:



Health Questionnaire:

(Deadline to complete 17/10/2025, for reception parent/carer to complete only):



Hearing Screening Clinics:



Hearing Screening Clinics for Reception Children

September

Tuesday 30th
September 2025
9:00am - 4:30pm
Moat Family Hub,
Deedmore Road,
Coventry CV2 1EQ

October

Monday 27th
October 2025
9:00am - 3:30pm
Central Library, West Orchard
Way, Coventry
CV1 1FY

Tuesday 28th
October 2025
9:00am - 3:15pm
Woodside Family Hub,
Upper Ride, Willenhall,
Coventry
CV3 3GL

November

Tuesday 11th
November 2025
9:00am - 4:00pm
Mosaic Family Hub,
Jardine Crescent, Coventry
CV4 9PL

Wednesday 26th
November 2025
9:15am - 4:00pm
Pathways Family Hub,
Laurence Saunders Road,
Radford, Coventry CV6 1HD

To book an appointment, contact the School Nursing team using the details below.
Please include the following details: child's full name, child's date of birth, school attended by the child, contact email address, telephone number, and preferred clinic location and date.

Tel: 01926 495321 Ext 7494
Email: Swg-tr.contactschoolnursescoventry@nhs.net

For more information about how to book please follow:



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