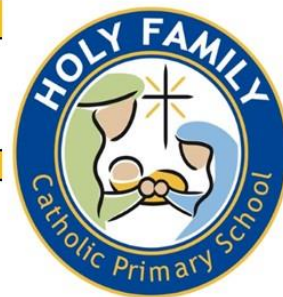


Newsletter Spring Term Week 3  
Friday 26th January 2024



Holy Family Catholic Primary School

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Spotlight on Year 1





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### *Catholic Life and RE - 'Building the Kingdom!'*

#### This week's Mission :



This week we reflected on, 'What is news?' we thought about the types of news we like and don't like to receive or hear. We listened to Mark's Gospel, 1:12-20 and reflected on this line:

"The time has come," he said.  
"The kingdom of God has come near.  
Repent and believe the good news!"

**Mark 1:15**



We thought about how we can believe in the Good news and what the word 'repent' means. We prayed for help to change, so that we will listen and believe in His love, say sorry when we get things wrong and be quick to follow Him.



#### *Happy Birthday Fr Pat*

We would like to wish Father Pat a Happy Birthday for Tuesday; we hope you had a lovely day. Our reception children visited Father Pat and presented him with a card, cake and some presents, which he was delighted with.



#### Whole School Mass

We would like you join us for Mass to celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 11am. Y3 RS will be leading the Mass.

#### Upcoming Sacramental Dates for Y3 First Holy Communion

Y3 - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Commitment parents Meeting	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February
Y3- 2 <sup>nd</sup> Commitment Mass	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March

Please see attached programmes for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation, that have been given out on dojo and are on our school website.

#### Care for our Common Home - ECO request

As part of our continued mission to act on the letter from Pope Francis – 'Laudato Si', our ECO team would like to help more children get outside, planting, growing and caring for nature on our school site. We need your help!

Our ECO team would like to ask for donations of any spare, old wellies that do not fit your child anymore, so we can start to create a Wellie store in our aim to Recycle and Re-use as part of our Live Simply Campaign.



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

## School Dinners

Thank you to all who have registered on the new app. We can see so far that we have had an uptake of 95% Reminders have been sent out on a number of occasions, so please make sure you register and order your child's food, if you do not register your child, they will only have the option of a jacket potato.

This new system will allow you to choose what your child wants to eat in advance as well as supporting our cashless policy, offering a simple and convenient payment service to parents. Other benefits include improving the efficiency of our kitchen and a reduction of food waste.



Parents will now have the option to order and pay for your child's menu in advance. The Guide for Parents can be viewed on our website on how to set up your child's account and some frequently asked questions. Payment for school meals taken for the week commencing 22nd January still need to be made via the school gateway.

From **Monday 29th January**, please ensure you use the school food united app to make your payment as the payment systems are not compatible to transfer balances. If your school gateway account is in credit, refunds will be issued. Please click this link to register <https://parents.schoolfoodunited.com/login>

**If your child is in Reception to Year 2**, your child is eligible for **universal free school meals** under the government scheme. No payment will be required however, you **must still choose your child's menu**.

**If your child is in KS2 and in receipt of Free school meals**, no payment is required however, you must still choose your child's menu.

### What to do next:

Download the app 'School food united' and register your account.

If you have any questions regarding the new school app and registering, please contact School Food United on 0330 123 1851 or via email [parent@schoolfoodunited.com](mailto:parent@schoolfoodunited.com). The school office will be able to assist you.

## Parents Evenings YN-Y5

Please keep these dates in your diaries for our next parent's evenings. More information will follow closer to the time for booking online. It is vitally important that you attend to help us ensure your child is making the best possible progress and that we can support each other in doing this.

**YN-Y5 Thursday 14th March -3.30pm-5.30pm**

**YN-Y5 Tuesday 19th March 5.30pm-7.30pm**

**Reminder Y6 is next week; Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 5.30-7.30pm and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 3.30-5.30pm. Booking is already open for this.**

## Library Books

We are missing a large number of library books! Can we ask that you have a look at home in case you have any of our Holy Family School books. If you do, please could these be returned to school next week.



## After school activities

A message has gone out this week to remind parents that no snacks should be brought into the after-school activities. Please bring your child a snack if you wish, when you are picking them up. I would also like to remind you all that the activities are until 4.30pm, if your child is late being picked up more than twice this could result in them being removed from the activity.



## Measles

Please see the attached poster from Coventry City Council. If your child shows any signs on the below poster, please contact 111 or your GP surgery.

### Half term Coventry Outdoors Activities

We have been advised that Coventry Outdoors will be running a series of outdoor activity days aimed for children and young people who are aged 9-13 years old. Coventry Outdoors Activity Camps get children and young people into the wild, where they will learn and experience an unforgettable adventure, from survival techniques to all sorts of outdoor activities and challenges, whilst making new friends and having lots of fun!

We strongly believe that being outdoors, fully immersed in the natural environment, helps children and young people explore different ways to boost self-awareness and confidence, cultivate greater happiness and find greater wellbeing.

#### **Dates:**

Monday 12th February, 10am – 3pm

Tuesday 13th February, 10am – 3pm

Wednesday 14th February, 10am – 3pm

#### **Activities include:**

- Combat Archery
- Laser Tag
- Bushcraft
- Survival Skills

To book on to our Outdoor Activity Camps please visit [www.coventry.gov.uk/coventryoutdoors](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/coventryoutdoors) or contact us via e-mail [outdooreducation@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:outdooreducation@coventry.gov.uk)

### Music Appreciation

This week's music appreciation is Kylie Minogue's, 'Better the Devil You Know'. This was released in 1990 as the lead single from her third album Rhythm of Love.

The song's title is a reference to an idiom that means it is better to deal with a familiar situation, even if it is bad, than to risk a change for something worse. The song was written and produced by Stock Aitken Waterman, who were also responsible for Minogue's previous hits. The song was a commercial success, reaching number two in the UK and number four in Australia, as well as the top 40 in several other countries.



Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Griffiths  
Headteacher

Attendance & Punctuality for this week							
Whole School attendance 95.6%							
	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	92.6%	93.1 %	97.8 %	96.7 %	97.8%	96.2%	96.1%
Well done to Y2 & Y4 for 97.8 % the highest attendance this week!							

Happy Birthdays			
Y1B	JOEL	Y6CT	ROBIN
Y3PS	ELLIE-MAI	Y6CT	COLE
Y3PS	OWAIN		
WE HOPE YOU ALL HAVE LOVELY BIRTHDAY'S			

# HEAD TEACHERS MERIT

## **Y6 Mrs Tompkins**

Georgia Smith  
Emily Labbett



## **Y6 Miss Thompson**

Hugo Bentley  
Kiyanna Haywood

## **Y5 Mrs Corr-Wilson**

Roman Dowling  
Oksana Sibanda

## **Y5 Mr Newell**

Luna-Mae Hughes  
Joel Asamoah

## **Y4 Mr Richardson**

Ronan Doherty  
Alyssia Murtagh

## **Y4 Mrs Ward**

Abisha Jeyaruben  
Jayden Benoy

## **Y3 Mrs Silvera**

Owain Connell  
Matilda Power

## **Y3 Miss Senyk**

Miller McKeown  
Leia Ward

## **Y2 Mrs Marlowe**

Tymon  
Corey Livermore

## **Y2 Miss Clyde**

Layla Newman  
Chiara Ayers

## **Y1 Mrs Twycross/Mrs Parkes**

Kavithan Nicholapillai  
Michal Dudek

## **Y1 Miss Brown**

Jack Allen  
Senzo Lilley

## **YR Mrs Kailey**

Adah Belgrave  
Arie Belgrave

## **YR Mrs Wood/Mrs Cole**

Oscar Chatland  
Oliver Chatland

## **Nursery Superstars**

Skylar Njuguna  
Grace Cuffe

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

*Keep it up from  
Mrs Griffiths*



## Holy Family Parish and Catholic Primary School Sacramental Preparation Programme



### Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2023/2024



This information details the Masses, Services and meetings for the parents and children in preparation for receiving these special Sacraments.

Topic	Date	Time	Location
1 <sup>st</sup> Enrolment Parents meeting	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30pm	Church
1 <sup>st</sup> Enrolment Mass	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	10.00am	Church
2 <sup>nd</sup> Commitment Parents meeting	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	6.30pm	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Commitment Mass	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	10.00am	
<b>Sacrament of First Confession</b>	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	6.30pm	Church
3 <sup>rd</sup> Commitment Parents meeting	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30pm	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Commitment Mass	Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	10.00am	Church
<b>Sacrament of First Holy Communion Y3PS</b>	<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Church
<b>Sacrament of First Holy Communion Y3RS</b>	<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>12.00pm</b>	Church
<b>Whole school Mass – Our Lady Mass &amp; May Procession - Y3 to wear FHC clothes (Presentation of Certificates)</b>	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am	School & Church

We look forward to working with you and promise to keep you and your children in our prayers as you continue on the next step of your journey of handing on the Faith to your child.

Fr. Pat, Fr Bernard  
Mrs Griffiths, Mrs Silvera, Miss Senyk

## Holy Family Parish and Catholic Primary School



### Sacramental Preparation Programme for Year 6 Confirmation 2023/2024



This information details the Masses and meetings for the parents and children in preparation for receiving this special Sacrament.

We look forward to working with you and promise to keep you and your children in our prayers as you start the next step on your journey of handing on the Faith to your child. All of these meetings and Masses will be held in Holy Family Church, led by Fr Pat. Your child will be prepared in school for receiving this Sacrament and will be asked to complete some research on their chosen Saints name at home.

Topic	Date	Time
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Confirmation Enrolment Parents meeting</b>	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	6.30pm
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Confirmation Enrolment Mass</b>	Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	10.00am
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Confirmation Commitment Parents meeting</b>	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	6.30pm
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Confirmation Commitment Mass</b>	Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00am
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Confirmation Commitment Parents meeting</b>	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	6.30pm
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Confirmation Commitment Mass</b>	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00am
<b>Sacrament of Confirmation Mass Y6CT</b>	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June*	5.30pm
<b>Sacrament of Confirmation Mass Y6ST</b>	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June*	7.00pm

\* to be confirmed by the Bishop

Fr. Pat, Fr Bernard

Mrs Griffiths, Mrs Tompkins & Miss Thompson

# February half term **Activity Camp '24**

Coombe Abbey Park, Brinklow Rd,  
Coventry CV3 2AB

Experience an unforgettable  
adventure, from survival  
techniques to outdoor activities  
and challenges, whilst making  
new friends and having lots of fun!

Have a go at:

- ✓ **Combat Archery**
- ✓ **Laser Tag**
- ✓ **Bushcraft**
- ✓ **Survival Skills**

**12  
Feb**

**13  
Feb**

**14  
Feb**

**9-13  
years** > **10am  
-3pm** > **£25pp  
per day**

Book your place online:

[www.coventry.gov.uk/coventryoutdoors](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/coventryoutdoors)



For more information, call **024 7538 1277**  
email: **OutdoorEducation@coventry.gov.uk**  
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#CovOutdoors



## SYMPTOMS

Rash



High temperature



Runny nose



Sore red eyes



Cough



**NHS**

# Measles:

## Protect yourself and your family

- Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccination is the safest protection against measles.
- Two doses of MMR offers the best protection against measles and is free.
- If you have not had two doses of MMR, you can ask to get them from your GP surgery.
- Check to see whether your child has had their two doses just after their 1st birthday and again before starting school.
- For people who do not touch any pork products, there is a version of the MMR vaccine which does not use porcine gelatin in its production.
- Know the symptoms and keep people with symptoms away from others.  
Visit [www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles) for more measles information.

### SPEAK TO YOUR GP IF:

- Your child or someone in your family has missed their first or second dose of the MMR vaccine.
- You or someone in your family show symptoms of measles.



Coventry City Council

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**NHS**

# Measles is circulating

- Measles is extremely infectious and can be serious
- Unvaccinated young children, pregnant women and people with weak immune systems are at greatest risk of severe health complications if they catch measles.
- Symptoms include:
  - high temperature (fever)
  - cold like symptoms such as runny or blocked nose, sneezing or coughing
  - sore, red, watery eyes
  - a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears a few days after cold like symptoms (sometimes starts on the face before spreading to the rest of the body). The rash may be harder to see on darker skin tones.
  - small white spots inside cheeks and the back of lips (may appear for a few days)
- If you or your child have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice – as you could easily spread the virus to others
- If you need to visit your GP or hospital, call ahead to let them know that it could be measles – they will make special arrangements for your arrival to help keep other patients and staff safe.



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