

Newsletter Autumn Term Week 4
Friday 25th September 2026

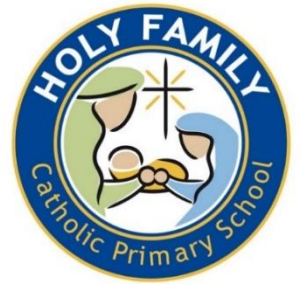
Holy Family Catholic Primary School



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

Spotlight on Year 5





Catholic Life and Mission

This week's Mission.

We listened to the Gospel of Matthew where Jesus told the parable of the workers in the vineyard. In this we hear those words that are used often – 'It's not fair!'

We talked about what 'Fair' means and how we can be generous and just, like God.

Monday was also the Feast day of St Matthew the Apostle, so in this year of us becoming new saints, we asked St Matthew to pray for us.

This week's Mission



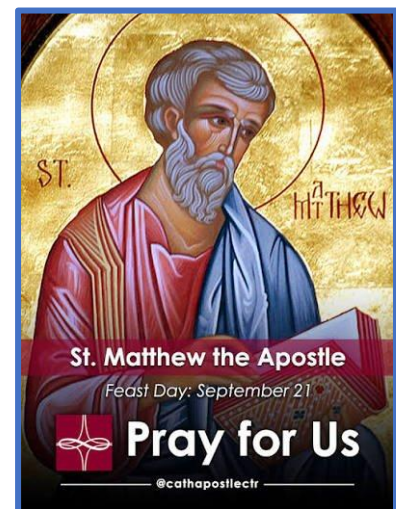
Include Everyone - Invite someone standing alone playground to join your



Share Gladly - Share pencils or toys freely without counting who had them first.



Celebrate Others - for a classmate when do well or win a



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.





Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation

It has been lovely to see our candidates for the Sacraments attending Sunday Mass.

Please remember to attend the meetings for parents as detailed in your letter from Fr Charles. Details can also be found on the parish newsletter.



Reception welcome Mass.

We look forward to welcoming our new reception children and their families to Mass this Sunday at 10am.

Wednesday Word

This week's gospel is from Matthew 21:28-32. Jesus tells a story of a father asking his 2 sons to work in his Vineyard, both respond in opposite ways but then one changes his mind for the better. 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>

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

Admissions for September 2027

Reception Admissions

The online facility for applying for a place in our reception classes is now open until 15th January 2027. The web address is: [Primary school admissions – Starting primary school in September 2027](#) Please remember that parents are responsible for providing a copy of their child's Catholic Baptism Certificate to the school by the closing date on 15 January 2027. Our preferred method is to email this via admin@hollyfamily.coventry.sch.uk. Failure to do this will result in your child being ranked as non-Catholic and this could affect their place.

Nursery Admissions Applications

Nursery applications for children to start nursery in September 2027 will be available via the website on Monday 5th October 2026. You need to apply for you child born between 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024. The closing date for applications will be 15 January 2027 and Governors will review all applications in accordance with our admissions policy during February 2027.

Secondary Admission Applications

To all **Year 6** parents - applications are now open for you to apply for your child's **secondary school** the closing date will be 31st October 2026.

Saint John Henry Newman is our local Catholic Secondary School and letters have been sent out regarding their open afternoon. Please register using the QR code on the letter.

[Please click here](#) if you haven't already applied. If you are still unsure of where to apply, Secondary schools are holding Open evenings over the next couple of weeks.

Dates for your Diary!!

Sunday 27th September –
YR welcome Mass 10am

Wednesday 30th September - Nursery and Reception curriculum information meetings

Thursday 1st October - First Holy Communion Introductory Mass in Church 6:45pm

Tuesday 6th October - F8 Imaging in for individual and sibling school photographs

Thursday 8th October - SJHN Y6 open afternoon

Friday 9th October - World mental health day

Monday 19th October - Book fair arrives in school

Friday 23rd October - Nasal flu vaccines for YR - Y6

Monday 26th October - Half term

School Gates

Thank you for bearing with us while our new electronic gates are installed. We still have a little bit more work to be done, but please keep an eye on Dojo over the next week for an update on the times the gates will be opening and closing.

Curriculum Information Meetings

Thank you to all who attended our KS1 & KS2 Curriculum Information meetings this week. We hope that you found the evening useful and know what your child will be learning throughout the year. We look forward to working with you to help your child achieve their God given potential. Working together we can make a difference!

Next week on Wednesday 30th September is for our Nursery and Reception **parents**. This meeting is not suitable for children to attend, so please leave them at home, thank you



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.



After-school Sports

All afterschool sports will start next week. If you have managed to make payment and consent on School Gateway this is your confirmation that your child has a place on that activity. If your child is attending an after-school sport, please make sure your child comes to school with a change of clothes, even if it is a PE day, and a water bottle. Please remember that all after-school activities finish at 4:30pm.

Merit Certificate Competition

A big thank you to everyone who entered the merit certificate competition! After a lot of deliberation, the winners have been chosen by the newly appointed School Council. Winners will be announced next week.



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.

'Spin the Plate' themed menu

Please find attached the menu for the Special Theme Day that we are having on Thursday 1st October. If you have already booked your child's meal for that day, please go onto the school food united app and change your child's menu choice from the original order of either Bolognese or Meatballs. If your child doesn't currently have school meals and would like to have the special theme day menu, please go onto the school food united app and order for that day.

School Nursing

Please see attached the Autumn edition of the school nursing newsletter.

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.

Class Fund

The Class Fund is a voluntary contribution of £1 per week, which helps the school purchase additional resources and equipment for children to use in the classroom.

While the school's existing budgets cover essential resources, there are times when additional items are needed to enhance children's learning and ensure they have access to a wide and varied range of resources and experiences. Contributions to the Class Fund help us provide these extra resources, supporting enriching learning opportunities for all children. **Payments can be made termly via the school gateway.** Thank you for your support.

School Sports Teams

Do you have a company that would be able to support one of our school sports teams through sponsorship?

We are currently looking for sponsors for our Girls' Football, Boys' Football and Netball teams. Your donation would help us purchase new team kits, giving our children the opportunity to represent the school with pride.

As a thank you for your support, your company name/logo can be displayed on the team kit, helping to promote your business while supporting young people in our school community. If you or your company would be interested in sponsoring a team, please contact the office.

Together, we can help our children play with pride, confidence and team spirit!



Music Appreciation of the Week

Week 3 of our top bands of the world month brings 'Dreams' by Fleetwood Mac. Fleetwood Mac remain one of rock and pop music's most enduring bands, and Fleetwood Mac still pulls new listeners into its timeless web of harmonies, drama, and emotion.

Have a lovely Weekend
Mrs G Griffiths
Headteacher



Attendance for this week Whole School attendance 95.7%



	YR	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	95.9%	95.9%	94.7%	98.3%	98.0%	96.9%	93.2%

Congratulations to Y5M for the highest attendance of 99.3% this week!



YRH	Feile Mills	Y6ST	Jessica Downey
Y5M	Amelia Hamlin	Y5C	Angelica Garside
Y6TN	Damian Wystembski	Y4W	Jack Toogood

We hope you all have a lovely birthday!

HEAD TEACHERS MERIT & WRITER OF THE WEEK

**Y6 Mrs Twycross &
Mrs Newman**

Lennon Hollingsworth
Nicolas Ciobanu



Y6 Miss Thompson

Willow Bishop
Zachary Healey-Host

Y5 Mrs Cocksworth

Gracie Herbert
Isabella Bada-Olicks

Y5 Mrs Mariadoss

Elsie Byrne
Savio David Lijo

Y4 Mr Richardson

Mollie May Hobbis
Deanna Efanayi

**Y4 Mrs Ward &
Mrs Wood**

Sydney-Rose Jones
Emelia Ashton

Y3 Mrs Corr-Wilson

Chimemela Obule
Ishael Lijo

Y3 Miss Clyde

Henry Hobbis
Macy Hollingsworth

Y2 Mrs Marlowe

Daniel Toogood
Nathan Filmon

Y2 Mr Newell

Caoimhe Bracken-Webb
Vyaan Krishna

**Y1 Mrs Nicholls &
Mrs Parkes**

Sonny-Bhoy Lilley
Amalia Tansanu

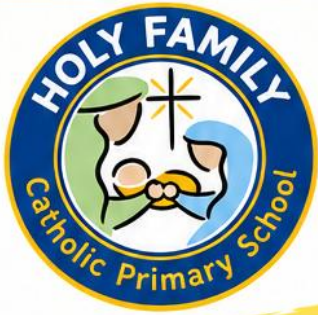
Y1 Miss Brown

Aoife Kennedy
Rozalia Skiba

Nursery

Grace Nugent
Odin Grant

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



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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.

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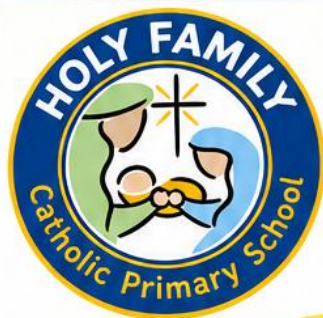
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SPIN the PLATE!

Today's Choices:



Beef Burger



Veggie Burger

Jacket Potato

Plus Dessert!



Iced School
Cake



Jelly



Yoghurt



Fruit

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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SCHOOL NURSING NEWSLETTER

Primary Schools



A big welcome to the autumn 2026 term! We hope you had a lovely summer and have settled into the back-to-school routine.

The school nursing service works all year round, Monday to Friday excluding public and bank holidays! Our details are at the bottom of the page. We can support with the following:

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



IT'S TIME TO CATCH IT, BIN IT, KILL IT!

As the weather becomes cooler, we can expect an increase in seasonal illnesses such as colds, flu, and other infections, including Norovirus. With this in mind, we'd like to remind everyone of the importance of practising good hand hygiene and following the "Catch it, Bin it, Kill it" guidance.

Remember to wash your hands thoroughly after blowing your nose, sneezing, or coughing to help prevent the spread of germs and protect those around you.

To refresh your knowledge of effective handwashing techniques, please watch the short video using the link below:

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



Child Friendly Cov

The Child Friendly Cov campaign is committed to creating an environment where the needs of children are prioritized, ensuring that they are valued, safe, healthy, and have access to opportunities. If you are looking for information on safe locations and guidelines for traveling around the city with children, please visit www.childfriendlycov.co.uk



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

☎ 01926 495321 Ext 7494

✉ swg-tr.contactschoolnursescoventry@nhs.net

Text via  07507 329 114 (Parent Line)

 www.coventryfamilyhealthandlifestyleservices.nhs.uk

Immunisation

Ensuring your child is up to date with their vaccinations is one of the most effective ways to protect them against a range of serious illnesses. The Immunisation Team will shortly be contacting your child's school with details of their upcoming flu vaccination visit, during which the nasal spray vaccine will be offered.

Your child should have received their pre-school booster before starting Reception. If they have not, please contact your GP. In the meantime, you can check your child's vaccination status by following the link below:

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

School year	Vaccine	To protect against
3 Year & 4months	4-in-1 pre school booster	Diphtheria, Polio, Tetanus & Whooping cough
Flu vaccine	Annual vaccine offered to all from reception till they finish school	Protects against flu, which can lead to acute bronchitis and pneumonia. Please note - porcine free (gelatine free) option now available.

OUR NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE!

Our brand new Coventry Family Health and Lifestyle Services website is now live!

We're excited to launch our brand-new website, bringing together information, advice and support for children, young people, and families.

Find the information you need when you need it.

Visit our new website today:

www.coventryfamilyhealthandlifestyleservices.nhs.uk



 Coventry School Nursing Team

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SCHOOL NURSING NEWSLETTER

Primary Schools

Firework, Bonfire & Sparkler Safety

- Adults should always supervise fireworks and bonfire displays. Never leave children or young people unattended around fireworks or bonfires.
- Ensure children always remain at a safe distance from bonfires and firework displays.
- Never carry fireworks in your pockets or set them off in streets or on roads.
- Do not approach or attempt to relight a firework that has already been lit.
- Before leaving, make sure bonfires are completely extinguished and safe.
- Always wear gloves when handling sparklers, as they can become hot enough to cause serious burns.
- Avoid waving sparklers near other people, and once finished, place them in a bucket of water to cool safely.



There is a wealth of information available on staying safe around fireworks, sparklers, and bonfires. Please take a moment to review the helpful resources linked below.

<https://www.rospa.com/home-safety/fireworks-safety>

<https://capt.org.uk/lessons-for-little-ones/>



Road safety

During the winter months, shorter days and reduced daylight can make it more difficult for drivers and other road users to see pedestrians. This is particularly important during busy school and nursery drop-off and pick-up times, when traffic levels are higher and visibility is often poorer. To help keep your child safe, it is essential that they are clearly visible when walking near roads, especially in low-light conditions.

Wearing bright or fluorescent clothing during the day can significantly improve visibility. This could be as simple as a fluorescent strip on a coat, a high-visibility vest, or a bright patch attached to a school bag. These small measures can make a big difference in helping drivers spot children sooner and reducing the risk of accidents.

[Road Safety For Children | Child Accident Prevention Trust](#)



Fun Indoor Games for Colder Days

When the nights start to draw in, it can be harder to play outside. Why not try some of these fun indoor activities to keep busy, active, and smiling:

- ★ Build a cosy den and create your own secret hideaway.
- 🏃 Design an indoor obstacle course and race against the clock.
- 🔍 Go on a treasure hunt with clues hidden around the house.
- 💃 Have a dance party and show off your favourite moves.
- 🎨 Get creative with drawing, colouring, painting, or crafts.
- 🎤 Put on a talent show and perform for your family.
- 🎳 Play mini bowling using empty plastic bottles and a soft ball.
- 🧩 Challenge yourself with puzzles, board games, or word searches.
- 👨🍳 Become a junior chef and help make a tasty treat.

Indoor days can still be full of adventure, creativity, and family fun! ☀️

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Coventry School
Nursing Team



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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

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OCTOBER 22ND - 30TH

A HOLIDAY TO REMEMBER 6 AMAZING VENUES

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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
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RUGBY



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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BOOKINGS ALSO LIVE!

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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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