

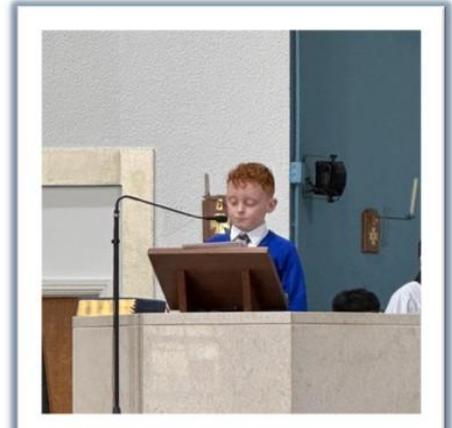
Newsletter Spring Term Week 7
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Spotlight on Year 3



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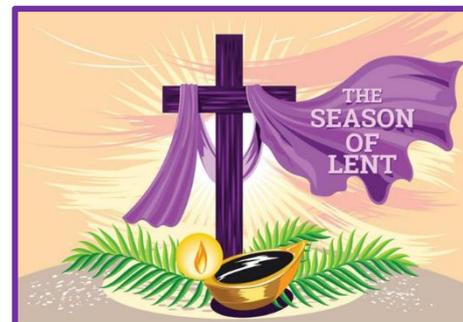
Catholic Life and Mission

This week's Mission

Lent, is a period of penitential preparation for Easter, which lasts for 40-days. It is a time for fasting and abstinence in imitation of Jesus Christ's fasting in the wilderness before he began his public ministry. Almsgiving, giving money or food to the poor and performing other acts of charity, is also encouraged.

So, Lent is a perfect opportunity for us to focus on these 3 key things:

Pray, Give, Act.



Lenten Charity (Give)

KS2 will be taking part in the CAFOD big Lent walk again this year to raise money to fight global poverty.

KS1 will be joining with all the Diocesan schools to take part in the 'Pledge £1' Fr Hudson's Caritas appeal!



Y4 Putting faith into Action

Some of our wonderful Y4 children have put their faith into action and have been busy making things to sell during Lent to raise money for The Myton Hospices. Well done and thank you for putting your Catholic Social Teaching and Live Simply pledges into action. They will be on sale from next week!



Lent prayer bags

From next Monday, children will take it in turns to bring home our class Lenten prayer bag. This is for you to pray together as a family so we hope you enjoy this time together.

Cardinal Newman Lenten Fundraising

As part of our Lenten fundraising activities, students from Cardinal Newman will be visiting us on Friday 6th March for their Charity Roadshow. They will be coming into school to play lots of fun games with the children and there will even be prizes to win!

To join in with all the fun, please send your child to school that day with a £1 or £2 donation. Thank you for helping us support a good cause!

Year 3 Mass for Lent

Well, done to our Y3 children and staff for their lovely Mass on Thursday which helped us start our Lenten journey. The children all read beautifully and we prayed that we will be able to keep our Lenten promises and walk with Jesus this Lent.

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This term's Value and Virtue: **Intentional & Prophetic**

Pupils in a school in the Archdiocese of Birmingham are growing to be ...	Schools in the Archdiocese of Birmingham help their pupils grow...
Intentional in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience; and prophetic in the example they set to others.	By being a school community, which is intentional in its way of proceeding to build-up quality of life; and which is prophetic in the way it offers an alternative vision of education and the human person rooted in the gospel.



A message from Fr Charles ***The building speaks***

You are warmly invited to come in to Holy Family Church on **Fridays in Lent**, from 2.40-2.55 to look at our church and things in it, to find out more about what these mean and the faith these show or to say a prayer. We know that many of you are waiting in the carpark to collect your child/ren so this would be a good time. Each session will “stand alone”, so you do not need to come to each one – just turn up to as many (or as few) as you can. God Bless, from Fr Charles.

[Link for Parish newsletter](#)

Prepare for this Sunday's Gospel: [click this link for the Wednesday word](#)

This Sunday the Gospel is from Matthew 17:1-9 with the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain.

Act of Kindness

I would like to say a very big well done to Aurora in Y3 for her amazing act of Kindness. Aurora has cut her hair and raised money for the Princess Trust. We are very proud of you!



New Holy Family Mascot!

We would like to thank one of our talented parents, Ms Groom, for her kind gift of our Holy Family bear made out of an old school jumper and tie! We are delighted with our new Holy Family Mascot, who now needs a name – so if you want to share your ideas we will choose the best! If you would like to see any other designs please see Little Autumn Friends via Instagram

Happy Special Birthday

We would like to wish Mrs McGlinchey a happy special birthday. We hope you have a nice weekend celebrating with friends & family.



We are very sad today to say Goodbye to Marie, in the office. I'd like to thank her for all her hard work, love and care she has shown to all the children, parents and staff during her time at HF. We will miss her smile and warm welcome each day, but wish her the very best of luck in her new venture and future.



Staffing update

I am pleased to share that we have successfully recruited a new member of our Admin team to take over from Marie. It is one of our parents, Mrs Hayley Toogood, who will be joining us on 16th March and we look forward to welcoming her to our team.

We also welcomed Miss Swann to our EYFS team this week, replacing Miss Agnes in reception. We hope she has had a good first week and wish her the best of luck.

Nursery Applications – September 2026

Communication will be sent out the week commencing 2nd March regarding allocation of places for Nursery for September. Please follow the instructions on the letter regarding your response.

Spring Parent's Evenings

Thank you to all those who have booked parents evening appointments so far. It is important for all parents to attend and book an appointment via this link [Login | Parents Booking](#). If you have any problems logging on, please contact the school office.

If your child is on the SEND register you **do not need to book** via this appointment app.

**** Please note the change with Y6****

Y6 Tues 3rd March 5.30pm -7.30pm & Thurs 5th March 3.30pm-5.30pm

YN – Y5 Tuesday 24th March 5.30pm -7.30pm

(Y4R only Wednesday 25th March 3.30pm-5.30pm)

YN - Y5 Thursday 26th March 3.30pm-5.30pm



World Book Day



On **Thursday 5th March** to celebrate World Book Day, children can come into school wearing their favourite pyjamas or comfy clothes and bring in their favourite book to chill and relax to read it.

[Please see attached poster for more information](#)

Book Club

Book Club leaflets have gone home this week. If you would like to place an order you can do this by either clicking on the following link or copy it into your browser: <https://clubs.scholastic.co.uk/C-VX7X2LP9>

There are some lovely books to choose from. All orders must be placed by Friday 20th March 2026.

AIP Catering

This week the school meals have been very low in numbers and we have had lots of add on. We will no longer be able to continue providing your children with meals if they have not been ordered via the app. You will receive a call from the school office advising that a lunch will need to be dropped in.

All school meals must be ordered before 9:00am.

[New Menu's for next term: Please click this link to see next terms school meals.](#)



Holiday Activity clubs through HAF

Please see attached poster for sessions during the Easter holiday that HAF have available. HAF bookings are now LIVE. They have an extensive range of bookable activities available and there is something for every child to enjoy.

Also, for eligible children who have an EHCP they have experiences at a number of venues, including Red Kangaroo, Spencer's Retreat, Twycross Zoo and many more. Book up quickly, as places and activities are limited.

Music Appreciation

This month we will be celebrating Classical Music from Mozart – this week is ‘Eine Kleine Nachtmusik’. The official name of this piece is the Serenade No. 13 for strings in G major, and it was composed by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart in 1787.

The music has been used in films such as: Charlie’s Angels – Full Throttle, Alien, Ace Ventura and There’s Something About Mary, as well as in countless TV programmes and adverts. It also featured prominently in the film Amadeus about the composer himself.



Have a lovely weekend
Mrs G Griffiths
Headteacher

Y2N	Jake	Y6ST	Layla
YRMcG	Francesca	Y3C	Verity-Joy
YRH	Robyn	Y4W	Isla
		Y5CW	Cavan
We hope you all have A lovely Birthday			

<div style="text-align: center;"> <h3>Attendance for this week</h3> <h2>Whole School attendance 95.2%</h2> </div>							
	YR	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	93.7%	94.5%	96.2%	94.5%	98.5%	95.8%	93%
Congratulations to Y4 for the highest attendance of 98.5% this week!							

HEAD TEACHERS MERIT & WRITER OF THE WEEK

Y6 Mrs Tompkins

Abisha Jeyaruben
Shynia Harris



Y6 Miss Thompson

Saraiyah Nshuti
Evelyn Walsh

Y5 Mrs Corr-Wilson

Jacob Sidgewick
Taylor Faulkner

Y5 Mrs Mariadoss

Harry Orton Dixon
Zachary Healy

Y4 Mr Richardson

Philomene Dombele
Janelle Egboja

Y4 Mrs Ward

River O'Neil
Gracie Herbert

Y3 Mrs Nicholls & Mrs Newman

Kade Cosnett
Theo Sedgewick

Y3 Miss Clyde

Aahana Lealh
Joel Roberts

Y2 Mrs Marlowe

Franciszek Wiacek
Avelina Fernando

Y2 Mr Newell

Arthur Sutcliffe
Victor Sawicki

Y1 Mrs Parkes &

Mrs Twycross
Hunter Buckley
Hattie Ross

Y1 Miss Brown

Idara Luther
Serena Rock

YRH Miss Heaphy

Zarachi Nwaoko
Freddie Newman

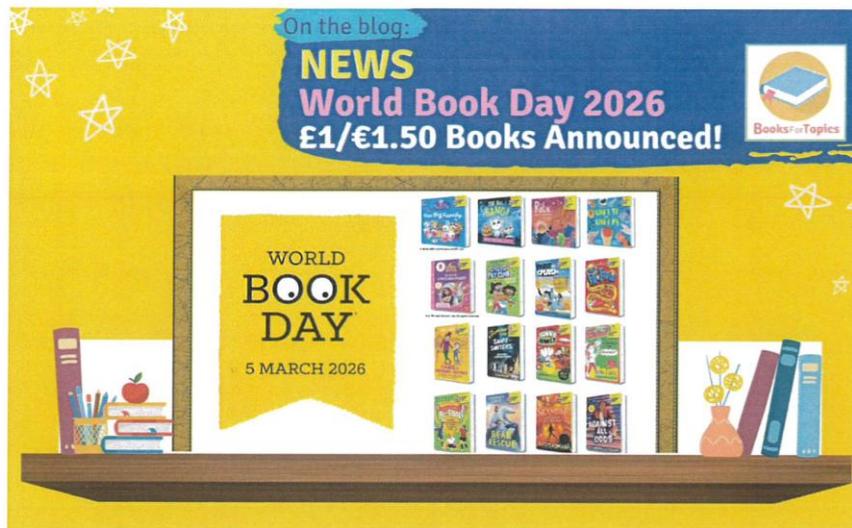
YRMcG Miss McGrath

Alexander Bennett
Roman Darke

Nursery Superstars

Jennifer Dumitrescu
Christian Gonsalves

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



Dear Parents and Carers,

On Thursday 5th March 2026, we will be celebrating World Book Day in school.

World Book Day is a special event that celebrates the joy of reading and the power of books. It encourages children to discover new stories, explore different authors, and develop a lifelong love of reading. Reading not only supports children's learning across the curriculum, but it also builds imagination, creativity, empathy and confidence.

We are also excited to promote 2026 as our "Year of Reading" in school. Throughout the year, we will be placing an even greater focus on reading for pleasure, sharing high-quality texts, and creating exciting opportunities for children to engage with books in a variety of ways. We believe that developing strong reading habits is one of the most important foundations for lifelong learning.

To make the day extra special and to celebrate the joy of bedtime stories, children are invited to come to school wearing their pyjamas on World Book Day.

Each child will receive a free World Book Day book token. We encourage families to use this token to choose a book to keep and enjoy at home. On World Book Day, we are encouraging children to bring in the book that they have purchased with their free token. Books are usually available at Tesco and book shops.

We are looking forward to a wonderful day celebrating stories, imagination and the magic of reading. Your child will be given a world book token by their class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support

Kind regards,

Mrs Tompkins

(English Leader)

Coventry HAF

Holiday Activities and
Food Programme 2026

28 March - 12 April 2026

**Be inspired and try some free
activities this school holiday**

Activities including: archery, coding/gaming, cooking, crafts,
dance, media, sports, theatre, trips and more - **all with free food**

**Book
now**

No HAF
code required



For more information visit coventry.gov.uk/haf
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