



Welcome to Year 6 September 2025

Welcome to Year 6.

I am very excited and look forward to working alongside you and your children this year. We have a great year ahead planned and we hope that it will be a very enjoyable and successful time in their final year at Holy Family.

The aim is to deliver a broad and balanced Curriculum while focusing on skills and techniques required to achieve their full potential by the end of Year 6.

As you will know, our school values and Mission Statement are an integral part of our school day and we expect our children to live out those values whilst in school too. This year will be a lot of hard work combined with interesting activities however your child will be fully supported throughout and we have an open door policy should you have any concerns or questions.

Just to give you an idea of our day, when your child comes into class, a morning task will be set up for the children to complete. This could be anything from silent reading, Countdown numbers game, completing work from a previous lesson to a grammar activity.

To give you a flavour of what we will study, here are some items that we will focus on this term. We will cover War Horse as our Text. This will link into our History topic of WW1 and WW2. To fully immerse the children into this topic, we will be visiting the Imperial War Museum in Salford Quays and using artefacts to deepen their knowledge of the time. In Science we will look at the topic of Animals including Humans which covers the Human Heart, the Circulatory System and the effect of diet and exercise on the body. In Art, we will be looking at the artist, Barbara Hepworth and making our own 3D clay sculpture. Further information on the Spring and Summer term will be sent later on in the year.

We have provided a Year 6 Reading List of recommended reads, this is to encourage the children to sample a wide variety of texts and genres. It would be great if we could have any pictures of the children reading a book at home for our Reading corner.

Our PE days will be Monday and Thursday.

Seesaw is our platform for communication. Each week we will upload our homework to Seesaw, paper copies will be available for those who need them. We will also send photographs each week to show parents a taste of what we have done. You may also find photographs on our school twitter feed too.

Diary Dates for Year

SEPTEMBER

25th Y6 at Mass

OCTOBER

9th Y6 at the Imperial War Museum

20th 3.30pm—6.30pm Parents Evening

22th 3.30pm—6.30pm Parents Evening

More dates to follow...

Having a Growth Mindset

One of our School Values is 'Growing our Hearts and Minds'. New learning can be a challenge for children. Please don't worry if your child comes home and is finding their new year a little tricky! We say if they feel uncomfortable then they are having a 'wobble', which is good. We like them to be in the **learning pit** as that means they are learning something new. We will do gradual steps to support them in progressing their learning – but we encourage **independence** and **perseverance** as much as possible



Our Expectations

At Holy Family, we have established clear expectations to which children are encouraged to aspire. All adults are expected to model the behaviour we expect from the children. Staff will remain calm when dealing with behavioural issues. We believe that emphasising positive behaviour in school will marginalise poor behaviour. A well-managed environment will encourage children to fulfil the Catholic values in their own behaviour.

Our expectations are expressed in the form of our four **School Values**:



Accomplish BIG Things With a GROWTH MINDSET!

Success Begins With Believing You Can

Instead of Thinking...	Think This...
I can't do it.	I'm still learning. I'll keep trying!
I'm not good at this.	What can I learn to get better at this?
It's good enough.	Is this the best I can do?
It's too hard.	With more practice it will get easier!
I'm afraid of making a mistake.	Mistakes are how I learn & get better!
They are better at it than I am.	What can I learn from them?
I don't know how.	I can learn how!
I can't make this any better.	I can always find ways to improve!
I don't like challenges.	Challenges make me better!
I give up.	I'll try a different way!

How can you help?

- Make sure your child arrives **by 8.55am** ready to learn and collected at **3.15pm**
- Remind them of what they will need; water bottle, reading book
- They are wearing their PE kit if it is a PE day (Mon/Thurs)
- Read at home at least 3 times a week
- Help them to access TTRS and EdShed regularly
- Remind them of how to be safe online and what to do if they are worried about something online

Homework in Year 6:

Each week the children will be expected to read at least 3 times per week.

They will receive spellings each week and will have a spelling test on a Friday on those words.

They will also receive a piece of either Maths or English work each week that will be uploaded onto SeeSaw, anyone who requires a paper copy will be able to get those in class on a Friday.

There is also an expectation that children access TTRS and Edshed each week.

Class Prayers

Morning Prayer— O Jesus, through the most pure heart of Mary, I offer you all my prayers, thoughts, works and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of your most Sacred heart.

End of day Prayer— God our Father, we come to say, Thank you for your love today. Thank you for my family and all the friends you give to me. Guard me in the dark of night and in the morning, send your light,

Amen

Special Educational Needs

If you have a concern about your child, please arrange to meet with us to discuss.

Personal Provision Plans

Plans have been handed up to me. We will work on the targets this half term and review with parents at a meeting in late October, early November.

Our **SEND**CO is **Mrs Clark**. She works on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

We have information regarding our Special Educational Needs offer on our website:

www.holyfamilysalemoor.co.uk/send

Enrichment Dates

9th October— Trip to Imperial War Museum

October—Parents meeting for PGL date TBC

January—Crucial Crew date TBC.

February—Bikeability. Children will be put into small groups of 5 or 6 to complete this throughout the week.

21st– 23rd May—PGL Boreatton

