



## Holy Family News

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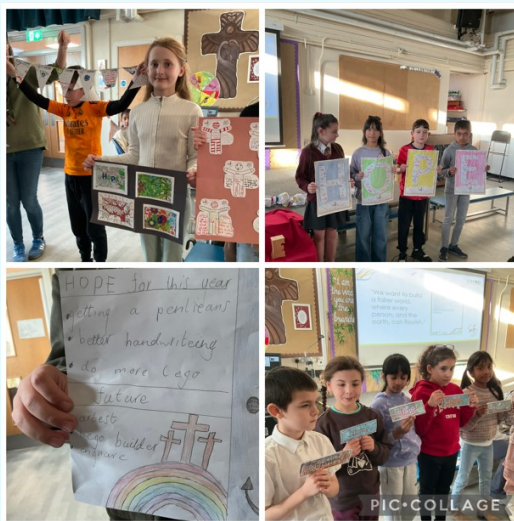
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Hello everyone!

This week was another busy week here at Holy Family filled with lots of fun activities. Today we celebrated the Jubilee Celebration Day that focused on the impact of a Jubilee Year that has been packed full of faith, learning and transformative action.

We held a special assembly that had moments of celebration, thanksgiving and reflection that highlighted our renewed hope as we continue to build a better world both here at Holy Family and further afield.



### Holy Family Kindness Disciples

Our Kindness Disciples were on the move again spreading joy this week - delivering surprise snacks to a very happy Year 5 and before visiting our parishioners and Fr Stephen at Holy Family Church. A beautiful week of simple acts that made a big difference!



### Mini Vinnie Christmas Shoebox Appeal.

Our Mini Vinnies have decided to support the Cornerstone Shoebox appeal this Christmas. Cornerstone is a homeless shelter in Manchester and we are going to support them by filling shoeboxes with essential items such as toothbrushes, shower gel, shampoo, hats, socks and gloves to help those who are homeless this winter. Sweet treat items can also be included like biscuits or chocolates. As a group, we talked about the fact that there is a lot happening at the moment in school and families are being asked for many different contributions, so we wanted to highlight that this appeal is optional and there is no expectation to take part. The idea has come from the children and we simply want to support their kindness and enthusiasm. Therefore each class will aim to fill just one shoebox and if you are able to donate any small item to help them fill it, we would be very grateful. Any donations, however small are warmly welcomed.



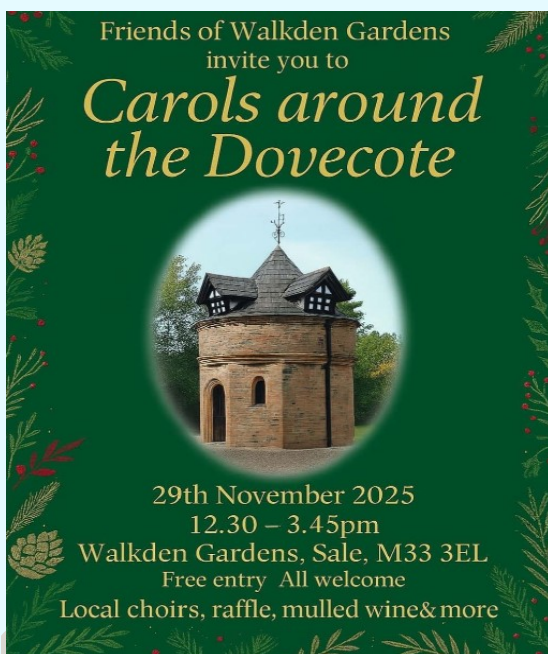
### B.U. Toy Sale

Our recent Toy Sale was a huge success! Thanks to the enthusiasm of our children and generosity of our families, the B.U. group raised over £100 to support a charity of their choice and to support SEND resources at Holy Family. The hall was buzzing with excitement as children made their choice of purchase and it was lovely to see so many happy faces while contributing to an important cause. Thank you to everyone who supported the event!



### Carols around the Dovecote

Our school choir will be performing at Walkden Gardens in Sale as part of the upcoming community event. Holy Family children are scheduled to sing at approximately 3.00pm. We'd love to see families there to support the children and enjoy a wonderful afternoon in the gardens.



### Have you paid your building fund?

For the Building Fund, we ask for a donation of **£15 per child at school**.

Funding for repairs to our school building comes via 90% from public funds and 10% from the Diocese. We have benefited from this fund in recent years including a whole replacement roof project over 4 phases and a toilet refurbishment in lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2. We are currently waiting to hear if we will receive funding for our refurbishment project.

We rely on your voluntary contribution towards this fund. Any arrears must be paid for from our school budget. Our budget, like everything is tighter than ever, but we use this money to ensure children have resources to support their learning. If you can donate, please do. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

### Dates to Remember for the Autumn term

#### **NOVEMBER**

26th Pantomime visiting the school

27th 9.30am Y3 Mass

#### **DECEMBER**

1st Jubilee Icon Assembly

2nd Early Years dress rehearsal

3rd 9.15am Early Years Nativity—parents and families are welcome to join us

4th 9.30am Year 6 at mass

5th Christmas Fair (further information to follow, please see poster at the end of newsletter)



## DECEMBER

|      |                                                                          |
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| 8th  | 9am Advent assembly                                                      |
| 10th | 9.15am Key Stage 1 Christmas Concert                                     |
| 11th | Christmas Dinner Day—Children to wear own clothes with Christmas jumpers |
| 12th | 9.10am Parents in Values Assembly                                        |
| 18th | 9.30am Whole School Mass                                                 |
| 19th | Break The Rules Day                                                      |

**1.30pm - Children finish for Christmas Break**

### OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE MEANS

**Being in school 97% of the time**

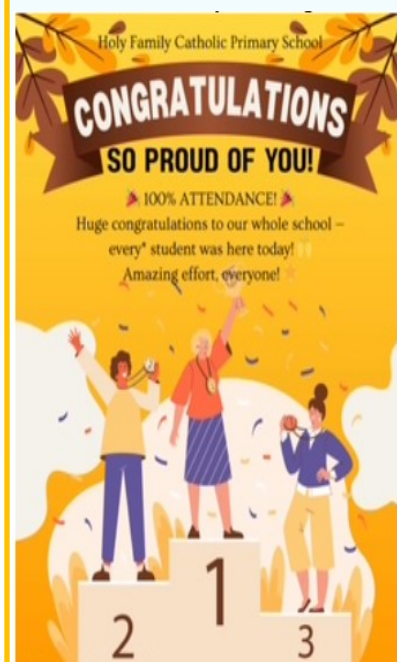
**REMEMBER...**

**Your attendance matters - days off cost good grades**



### ATTENDANCE

|              | LAST WEEK | THIS WEEK |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| RECEPTION    | 95.8%     | 94.4%     |
| YEAR 1       | 97.6%     | 100%      |
| YEAR 2       | 97.6%     | 100%      |
| YEAR 3       | 96.9%     | 95.9%     |
| YEAR 4       | 98.5%     | 99.4%     |
| YEAR 5       | 96.2%     | 97.6%     |
| YEAR 6       | 96.1%     | 98.4%     |
| WHOLE SCHOOL | 95.8%     | 98.0%     |



## Upcoming Events

