



Holy Family News

23rd October 2025

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Hello everyone!

We've reached the end of a busy eight week half term and what a fantastic few weeks it has been! The children have worked incredibly hard and shown great resilience and enthusiasm for learning. We're proud of all of their progress and achievements. A huge Thank You to all of our families for your continued support—we hope everyone enjoys a well-deserved rest over the break!

We return to school on Monday 3rd November.

During October we celebrated Black History Month by looking at some significant figures focusing on how they have made a positive impact in society. In Art lessons the children have also looked at some artists such as Alma Thomas and Benjamin Zephaniah.

The theme for this year's Black History Month was **'Standing Firm in Power and Pride'**. This theme celebrates resilience, strength and leadership recognising both the history and the achievements of those who have helped shape our society.





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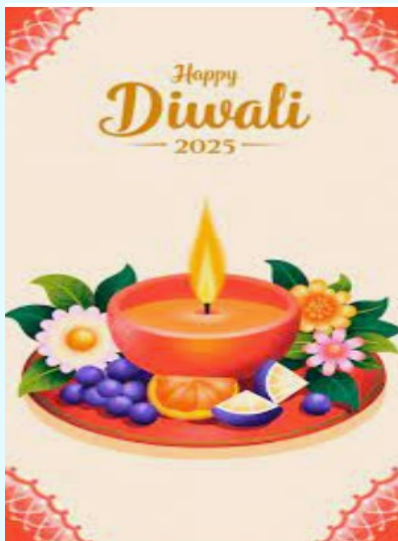
Break The Rules Day

We've had a wonderful break the rules day! The children loved bending the usual rules—from crazy hair to a few special treats at break time, there were plenty of smiles and laughter throughout the day. Thank you to everyone who supported the event. We have managed to raise £355.00 currently but if you still need to donate, the link is still open!!



Diwali 2025

We'd like to wish a very Happy Diwali to all our parents, children and families who are celebrating this week. May your celebrations be filled with light, happiness and togetherness.



British Legion Poppy Appeal

This year, The Mini Vinnie's will again be supporting the Poppy appeal by selling items such as paper poppies, reflector poppies, wristbands, and festival bands. We are suggesting the prices as:

- Paper poppy – 20p
- Wristbands - £1.00
- Reflector Poppies – 50p



We will start selling on Monday 3rd November so if you would like to support, please can you send your child in with the correct money.

Many Thanks,

The Mini Vinnie Team

Parking outside School.

We have received communication from Trafford council that they are going to be carrying out some extra checks around our yellow markings at school and I wanted to make all parents aware of this. As part of Trafford's ongoing commitment to improve safety and encourage active travel around schools, they are enhancing enforcement of the 'School Keep Clear' road markings outside our school. They will be using a camera car to record vehicle registration plates across several schools in the run-up to the Christmas holidays. The yellow zig zag markings and associated signs are intended to ensure safe and clear access for pedestrians and cyclists, reducing congestion, and help create a safer environment for all travelling to school. As you may be aware, they do enforce these via usual foot and bike patrols and while these will continue, the camera car offers wider flexibility and operational efficiency to help them cover more schools. Please do not park or stop in these areas — it is about protecting our children on their way to school. **#SchoolSafety**



Applications to Secondary School

Applications for Year 7 for September 2026, **must be made to the authority you live in.**

If you live in Manchester and you would like to apply for a place in a Trafford School, you still apply to Manchester.

You need to include all your preferred schools on the application, including schools in other local authority areas. Authorities work with each other to make sure each child is only offered one place.

The closing date for secondary school applications is 31 October 2025.

Some schools may ask you to complete a supplementary form and return it to the school. These must be completed in addition to your application.

Blessed Thomas Holford, Loreto and St Ambrose will ask for a copy of your child's baptism certificate. If you are unable to find your copy, please contact the church where your child was baptised in advance of your application. We do not keep copies of baptismal certificates.

Please check the school website of the school you are applying to, to see if one is required.

The web address for Trafford Admissions is:

<https://www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/schools/school-admissions/Secondary/secondary-school-admissions.asp>

The web address for Manchester Admissions is:

https://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/500322/secondary_school_admissions.

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

- 3rd School reopens
 3.15-4pm Book Look for Parents
- 4th 9.05am (after drop off) Chatty Group Coffee Morning (All welcome)
- 6th 9.30 am Y6 at Mass
 6pm Parents Meeting for Sacramental Programme at St Joseph's.
- 10th Flu Vaccinations
- 11th 9.30—10.30 am Open Morning
- Wear odd socks for the theme 'Power For Good' for Anti Bullying week
- 13th 9.30am Y5 at Mass
- 16th 10am Enrolment Mass for Sacramental Programme at Holy Family Church
- 18th 3.15pm Sacramental Programme begins
- 19th 1.30—2.30 pm Open Afternoon.
- 20th 9.30am Year 4 at mass
- 26th Pantomime visiting the school
- 27th 9.30am Y3 Mass



DECEMBER

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)
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

ATTENDANCE

	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
RECEPTION	94.4%	93.0%
YEAR 1	98.2	98.9%
YEAR 2	97.2%	99.0%
YEAR 3	94.8%	96.3%
YEAR 4	100%	99.2%
YEAR 5	94.2%	91.9%
YEAR 6	95.0%	94.9%
WHOLE SCHOOL	96.1%	95.8%

We're sitting in the Amber Zone this week, that means we are doing well but we could be doing even better!

Well done to Year 2 and Year 4 for their very good attendance. We would like our Upper KS2 to have some green on there.

Every day in school counts and being in class every day helps our children to learn, grow and feel connected.

Lets all work together to keep our attendance in the Green Zone!!

Upcoming Events

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

EYFS OPEN DAY






Come and explore our vibrant EYFS classrooms at Holy Family – a warm, welcoming space where little learners thrive. Meet our dedicated team and discover what makes our early years setting so special

Tuesday 11th November
9.30am-10.30am

Wednesday 19th November
1.30pm-2.30pm

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01619625397

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Friends of Holy Family
present...

Quiz Night

Friday 7th November

7:00 PM
Adult only event

£5 per person entry
Max 8 players per team

Save the Date for our Christmas Fair on Friday 5th December.

Friends of Holy Family Christmas Fair

Donations

Children can wear own clothes in exchange for the following items...

- 14th Nov - Coloured Items*
 - N & R green
 - Y1 red
 - Y2 yellow
 - Y3 purple
 - Y4 blue
 - Y5 black
 - Y6 pink
- 21st Nov - Unwanted Gifts
- 28th Nov - Sweets & Chocolates
- 5th Dec - Unopened Bottles



*Coloured items are used to make hampers for the raffle. Items could be edible treats, homeware, cosmetic, small toys etc