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Holy Family News

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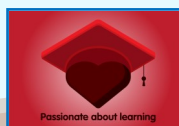
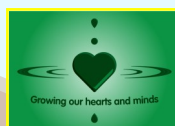
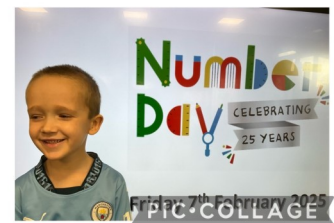
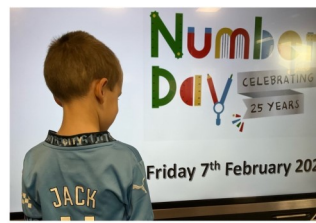
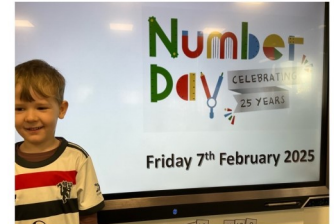
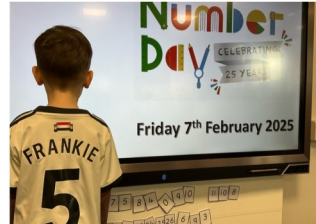
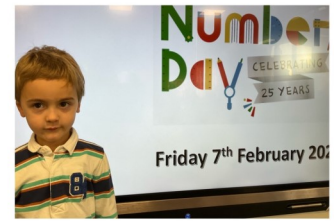
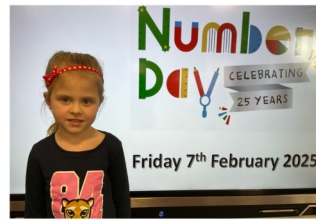
This week we have had a focus on **Children's Mental Health**. The theme of the week has been 'Know yourself, grow yourself'. The children have had time in their PSHE lessons to talk about why it is important to talk to someone about worries. The children have also talked about how important it is to listen and act on their friend's concerns.



Today, the school was a buzz with number and calculations.



Learning this week ...



Diocesan Building Fund

Thank you to parents who have paid their contribution to the Building Fund. As a Catholic School, our funding for building and maintenance projects work slightly differently than Community Schools. We have to pay in to buildings fund and then we will receive monies to go towards projects such as the toilet refurbishments, boilers, heating replacements etc.

We ask all parents to pay **£15 per child** each year to go towards this fund. Any money which isn't sent in has to be paid from our school budget. We are really struggling with our budget and we need the support of parents to pay the contribution.

We would appreciate if you could pay your contribution to the Building Fund as we can then use our budget to purchase equipment to directly support your child's learning.

Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Book Fair Competition

To celebrate the book fair we are asking the children to **design a book cover** for a **book about numbers** (linking with Number day). There will be some **prizes** for the best entries.

Please send in entries to the office by **Friday 14th February**.



The Friends of Holy Family will be holding a Chocolate Bingo night on **Friday 28th February at 6pm**.

We would appreciate if the children come to school in their **own clothes on Friday 14th February** and bring in a **donation of chocolate** which will help to make up the prizes.

Tickets are on sale from the office.

The price of the tickets are:

£1 for children, £2.50 for adults and £6 for a family ticket (2 adults and 2 children)

This is usually a popular event and tickets will be limited.



Prayer for Children's Mental Health Week

*God our Father,
we pray for children around the world
who are affected by mental health issues.
We pray no child would feel stigmatised
or alone because of mental health.
We pray particularly for the world's most vulnerable children
who face mental health issues
as well as the day to day battles of poverty.
Amen*

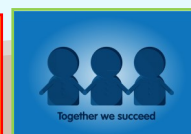
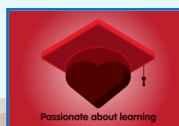
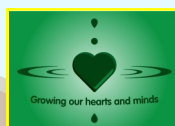


ATTENDANCE

	This week's attendance 07/02/25	Last week's attendance 31/01/25	Week ending 24/01/25
Reception	98%	78%	96%
Year 1	96.5%	80%	98.35
Year 2	92.8%	91.3%	96.5%
Year 3	97.3%	99.3%	99.3%
Year 4	97%	95.7%	97.3%
Year 5	96.8%	93.3%	92.7%
Year 6	96.3%	93.7%	94.3%
Whole School	96.3%	91.9%	96.3%

Last week we had a really disappointing attendance. This week attendance is slightly better.

I will be asking to meet with parents with children who have low attendance to see how we can improve children coming to school every day.



Navigating parenthood WEBINARS

Our expert-led webinars are more popular than ever before! Book your free spot now and join hundreds of other parents facing the same challenges. From supporting your child's health and wellbeing to ensuring success at every stage of school, our new season of webinars is waiting for you...we can't wait to see you there!



Coping tools for children's big emotions

Jennifer Wyman, Bridge the Gap Child Mental Health CIC

15/01/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Helping your child achieve in school

Liz Keable

21/01/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Motivation Matters: How to talk so kids will listen

Rachel Vecht

30/01/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Helping your child cope with exam stress

Jennifer Wyman, Bridge the Gap Child Mental Health CIC

05/02/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Nurturing healthy online behaviour

Caroline Allams, Natterhub

11/02/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Emotionally Based School Avoidance: Supporting autistic pupils & their families

Cynthia Gouveia Caria, Beyond Autism

04/03/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Helping your child succeed in KS2 English

Lisa McLeod

06/03/25 | 12.30 - 1.30pm



How to support your child's learning in secondary school

Michael Whitworth and Miranda Perry

12/03/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



From meltdowns to mindfulness: Practical tools for peaceful parenting

Jennifer Wyman, Bridge the Gap Child Mental Health CIC

18/03/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Helping your child communicate confidently

Lisa McLeod

27/03/25 | 12.30 - 1.30pm

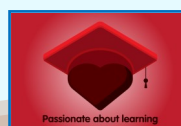
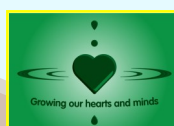


Helping your child become an independent learner

Liz Keable

01/04/25 | 7.30 - 8.30pm

Find out more and sign up to our webinars here:
parentkind.org/parent-webinars



Dates for the Spring term —dates are subject to change

FEBRUARY

- 11th Safer Internet day
- 13th 9.30am Year 3 at mass
- 14th Own clothes—bring in some chocolate for the Chocolate Bingo
2.30pm Parents invited to Values Assembly
School breaks for half term
- 24th School reopens
- 27th 9.30am Year 6 at mass
6pm Phonics evening for Year 1 parents
- 28th 6pm—8pm Chocolate Bingo

MARCH

- 3rd 3.30pm—4.30pm Book looks for all parents
- 4th 9am Year 5 Class Assembly
- 5th Ash Wednesday
3.30pm—4.30pm Book looks for all parents
- 6th World Book Day
- 10th 3.30pm—6.30pm Parents Evening for Early Years and Key Stage 1
- 12th 3.30pm—6.30pm Parents Evening for Key Stage 1
- 13th 9.30am Year 5 at mass
- 18th 9am Year 1 Class Assembly
- 20th 9.30am Year 4 at mass
- 26th 9am Year 6 Class Assembly
- 27th 9.30am Year 3 at mass
- 28th 9am Mothers Day assembly for Nursery and Reception

APRIL

2nd 3.30pm—6.30pm Key Stage 2 Parents Evening

3rd 9.30am Year 6 at mass

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10th 9.30am Whole School Lenten Mass in church

11th 2.30pm Parents invited to Values Assembly

14th 6.30pm Easter Story production

15th School closes for Easter at 3.15pm

28th School reopens

MAY

1st 9.30am Year 5 at mass

5th **BANK HOLIDAY—School closed**

8th 9.30am Year 4 at mass

12th Year 6 SATs all week

17th 10am First Holy Communion Mass at St Joseph's Church

21st Year 6 Residential to Kingswood

22nd 9.30am Going Forth Mass at church—celebrating children who made their Holy Communion

23rd Break the Rules day—details to follow

2.30pm Parents invited to Values Assembly

BREAK UP for Half Term

JUNE

9th School reopens

Phonics Screening for Year 1

Multiplication Check for Year 4

12th 9.30am Year 6 at mass

Dates continued—dates are subject to change

JUNE

- 13th 9am EYFS Father's Day assembly
- 18th 6pm New Nursery Parents meeting for September 2025
6.45pm New Reception parents meeting for September 2025
- 19th 9.30am Year 5 at mass
- 25th Sports Day:
9.15am Foundation Stage 10.30 am Key Stage 1 1.30pm Key Stage 2
- 26th 9.30am Year 4 at mass
6.30pm Summer Music Concert

JULY

- 1st Moving up afternoon
- 3rd 9.30am Year 3 at mass
- 9th Moving up afternoon
7pm Year 6 play
- 10th 9.30am Year 6 at mass
- 16th 3.20pm—4pm Meet the Teacher—*chance to meet your child's new teacher*
- 17th 9.30am Mass for the whole school in church
- 18th 2.30pm Parents invited to Values Assembly
- 21st 6.30pm Leavers Mass in church. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre
- 22nd 1.30pm Break up for the Summer holidays

