



We are a Values-based School

Holy Family Catholic Primary School

At Holy Family we grow, learn and succeed in the footsteps of Jesus

18th October 2024

Holy Family News

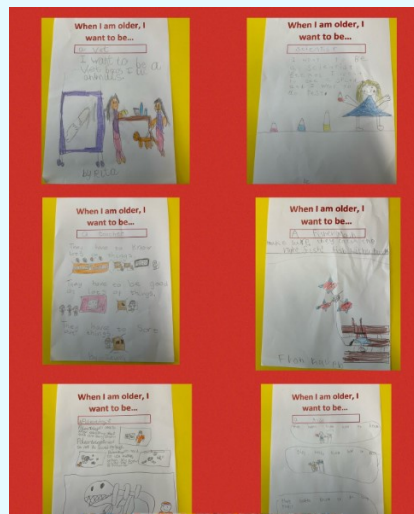
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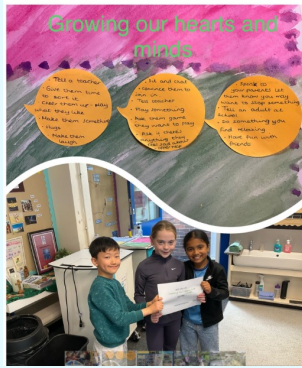
Hello everyone!

Yesterday the school was full of our values colours! The children took part in lots of activities which related to our values including:

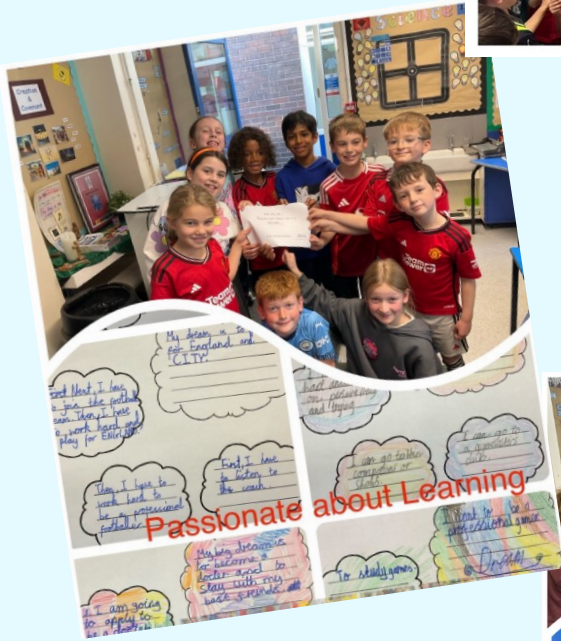
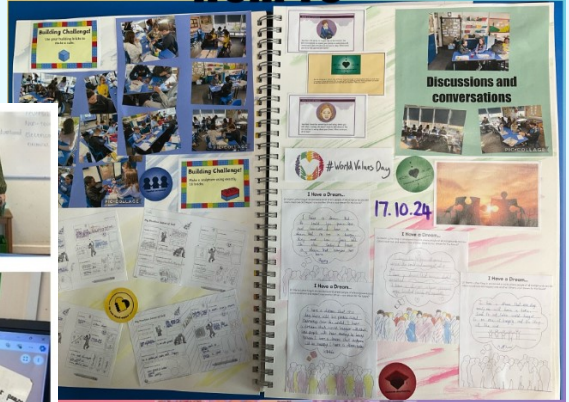
- **Building Lego structures to show 'Together we Succeed'**
- **Sending positive messages to each other for 'We care about Respect'**
- **Reminding each other that even if something is tricky, to have a go which shows, 'Growing our Hearts and Minds'**
- **Talking about what being a good learner looks like to show 'Passionate about Learning'**



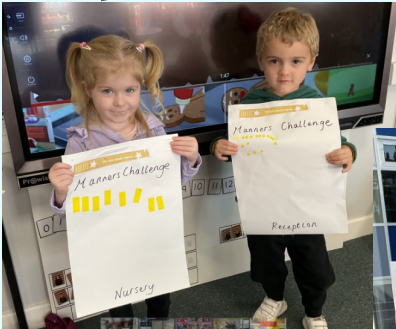
More Values photos ...



A selection of work from Y6



And even more Values photos ...



What do our Values mean at Holy Family

We Care about Respect

As a pupil I will:

- Follow the school, classroom and playground rules and behave well in school.
- Always tell the truth and let an adult know if someone is unkind to me or to someone else in school.
- Be kind and helpful to my friends and other pupils when they need me. Be a good friend to everyone and do not make anyone feel sad through what I say or do to them.
- Wear the correct school uniform and stay looking smart and tidy when I am in school.

As a parent I will:

- Ensure my child follows all aspects of the school uniform policy, including their hair, uniform and footwear.
- Let the school know if there are any issues or concerns outside of school which may impact on my child and their learning in school.
- Raise any concerns I have about my child and their experiences in school promptly and directly with Holy Family staff and not use social media (including Class What's App group) as a way of raising concerns about the school or my child.

As staff we will:

- Be fair and equal in our treatment of all children at the school and celebrate diversity and difference.
- Be open and honest with parents where we have concerns about their children.
- Listen to parents and pupils concerns and respond to them respectfully and promptly.
- Challenge any behaviour from children that is unkind or disrespectful to others, applying the school behaviour policy where required.
- Take seriously any incidents of bullying in the school and ensure issues are addressed promptly using the school bullying policy.
- Help children to build their self-confidence and self-respect and to become independent learners.



Chatty Café

Last year we started a parents working party called Chatty Cafe to further develop our Special Educational Needs offer to children and parents. The group meet once a half term and discuss matters of the moment, but also talk about how parents can be signposted to agencies and support. If you would like to join the next meeting, please contact the office on admin@holyfamilysalemoor.co.uk

Gardening Club

The gardening club have been busy bees getting the planting beds around the school ready for winter. The allotment area is being rebuilt by Mr Humphreys at the moment so the club have focused on the Science area which we are currently redeveloping. They have planted their strawberry plants ready for a good crop in the Spring.



A couple of weeks ago, Ines and Luisa wanted to celebrate World Teacher day with ALL the staff at Holy Family; both teaching and non teaching. They gave up their playtime to give sweets to all the staff. This was very much appreciated and showed our value of **'We care about Respect'**.

Thank you girls.

Harvest Mass—Thursday 7th November at 9.30am

All family members are welcome to join us for mass.

For our **Harvest mass** we would be grateful if we could have **donations for the foodbank**. Suggested donations are:

Nursery and Reception—Teabags and coffee

Year 1— Breakfast cereals

Year 2—Toilet rolls

Year 3—Shampoo and bottles of cordial

Year 4—Tinned fruit and vegetables

Year 5—Packs of custard and jars of jam

Year 6—Rice pudding and cartons of long life juice

Thank you in advance for your support with this charity.

DONATIONS CAN BE SENT IN NEXT WEEK.



Applications to Secondary School

Applications for Year 7 for September 2025, **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 2024.

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.

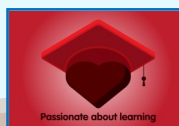
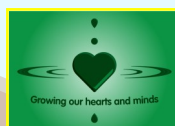
Please check the school website of the school you are applying to, to see if one is required.

The link for Trafford Admissions is:

[Secondary school admissions \(trafford.gov.uk\)](https://trafford.gov.uk/secondary-school-admissions)

The link for Manchester Admissions is:

[How to apply | Apply for a secondary school place | Manchester City Council](#)



Half term break

A reminder that we break up on Thursday 24th October and return to school on Monday 3rd November.

Christmas Cards

Christmas card orders are due back on
Tuesday 22nd October.

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of The Holy
Land
Israeli and Palestinian,
Jew, Christian and Muslim.
We pray for an end to acts of violence
and terror.
We lift to you all who are fearful and hurting.
We ask for wisdom and compassion for those in
leadership.
Above all, we ask that Jesus the Prince of Peace,
would bring lasting reconciliation and justice for all.
Amen.



ATTENDANCE

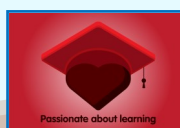
	Last week's attendance	This week's attendance
Reception	98.2%	96.4%
Year 1	97.4%	99.6%
Year 2	92.1%	93.8%
Year 3	96.3%	99%
Year 4	97.3%	100%
Year 5	96.7%	91.3%
Year 6	95.3%	94.7%
Whole School	96.1%	96.3%

It is important that the children attend school EVERY DAY.

As you can see the last two week's attendance has been under 97%. It is important that children are in school every day. We have had some children with a physical injury which is why they have been absent, but if children can be in school, they need to be. It can have an impact on their learning and also their friendships.

Hopefully we will see some more greens next week.

If you are struggling to get your child into school, please come and have a chat with us and we will help you.



Dates for the Autumn term —dates are subject to change

OCTOBER

18th 2.30pm Parents invited to our Values Assembly

24th 9.30am Year 6 at mass

3.15pm School closes for Half Term

NOVEMBER

4th School reopens

3.30pm—4.30pm Book Looks for Parents

6th 3.30pm —4.30pm Book Look for Parents

7th 9.30am Year 5 at mass

11th 6pm meeting for Sacramental Programme in hall

12th Height and Weight for Year 6

15th Wear something yellow to support the theme 'Respect' for Anti Bullying week

Flu Vaccinations - details to follow

17th 10am Enrolment Mass for Sacramental Programme at Holy Family Church

18th Parliament Week

3.30pm—6.30pm Parents Meetings for Early Years and Key Stage 1

19th 3.15pm Sacramental Programme begins

20th 3.30pm—6.30pm Parents Meetings for Key Stage 1

21st 9.30am Year 3 at mass

26th Pantomime visiting the school

27th No pens day

3.30pm—6.30pm Parents Meetings for Key Stage 2

28th 9.30am Year 6 at mass

3.30pm—6.30pm Parents Meetings for Key Stage 2

Dates for the Autumn term continued—dates are subject to change

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

- 2nd 9am Advent assembly—parents are welcome to join us
- 3rd Early Years dress rehearsal
- 4th 9.15am Early Years Nativity—parents and families are welcome to join us
- 5th 9.30am Year 5 at mass
- 6th **Christmas Fair 5pm—7pm**
- 7th Choir singing at Walkden Gardens—time to be confirmed
- 9th 9am Advent assembly—parents are welcome to join us
- 10th Key Stage 1 dress rehearsal
- 11th 9.15am Key Stage 1 Christmas Concert
- 12th Christmas Dinner—children can wear own clothes with Christmas jumpers
- 13th 2.30pm Parents invited to Values Assembly
- 16th 9am Advent worship—Parents are welcome to join us
- 19th 9.30am Christmas mass in church—parents welcome
- 20th **1.30pm School Closes for Christmas break**

JANUARY 2025

- 6th School reopens for Spring term