

Holy Family Newsletter

*We are a caring family.
We pray, learn and grow together*

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Dear parent/carer

RECEPTION STARTERS SEPTEMBER 2019

If your child is due to start school in September 2019 you will need to complete an application form via Wigan Council's online system. The deadline for applications is strictly 15th January 2019. Please call into the school office if you are unable to access the online application.

STEWARDS OF CREATION & PEACEMAKERS

We have received confirmation that the Stewards of Creation and Peacemakers were unsuccessful in the Royal British Legion Memorial Garden competition that was organised as part of the 100 years since Armistice Day anniversary.

However, we are very happy to have taken part in the competition and we are very proud of Holy Family's memorial garden – part of the garden will remain in the Peace Garden as a lasting tribute. Thank you to everyone who sent in information and / or photographs of family members who played a part in WW1.

RECYCLING

Please note the community battery recycling bin is still in the office reception area – please continue to use this to recycle all your used household batteries.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 23 rd November	Own Clothes Day – please bring a bottle & chocolates to support the Church Christmas Fair
Sun 25 th November	Holy Family Church Christmas Fair – 12noon – 2pm
Mon 26 th November	Nasal Flu Vaccination in School – Reception – Year 5
Tues 4 th December	*DATE CHANGE* Advent Mass in School – 9.30am. Families welcome
Weds 5 th December	Y5/6 Trip to see The Wizard of Oz
Tues 11 th December	KS1 Nativity Play – 2.30pm – Tickets will be on sale soon
Weds 12 th December	KS1 Nativity Play – 9.30am – Tickets will be on sale soon
Thurs 13 th December	Christmas Dinner
Thurs 13 th December	Christingle Service in Church – 6pm
Tues 18 th December	Christmas Party Day – Own Clothes Day
Weds 19 th December	Y3/4 Strings Concert in School – 9.30am. Families welcome
Fri 21 st December	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 21 st December	LAST DAY IN SCHOOL – finish at 3.15pm – No after school club

Class Updates:

Mrs Bird's Class	We have learned that it is 'ok to be different' on odd socks day and are making our classroom a very happy place to be. We have started learning songs for our Nativity and are looking forward to a busy few weeks getting it ready.
Miss Measey's Class	We have been adding and subtracting using numicon, counters and number lines. We have made our own Autumn poems up and have learned how to label pictures. Next we will be finding out how to write letters so we can tell Father Christmas how good we have all been.
Miss Winstanley's Class	We are looking forward to exploring the story of Hansel and Gretel in Y2 by completing role play activities, designing our own candy houses and writing an alternative ending to the story.
Mrs Lord's Class	We are working hard in our strings lessons and would love you to come and watch our first concert of the year on Wednesday 19 th December at 9.30am. We enjoyed our Islam afternoon where we cooked and sampled traditional Islamic cuisine, created Islamic geometric patterns and learned all about Eid and the 5 Pillars of Islam.
Miss Philbin's Class	We are working incredibly hard in all subjects. Our topic for the term is the Romans and we have enjoyed learning all about Mount Vesuvius – a subject we have all found fascinating. We have impressed Miss Philbin with our poetry – take a look at some examples on our display board.
Mrs Summerton's Class	In maths we are working hard on our fractions. We know how to simplify and compare and now we are moving on to multiplying and dividing. In RE we will be celebrating the end of the churches' year by doing some work on the Feast of Christ of King.

School Attendance Championship 2018-2019

	WEEK 8 29 th Oct – 2 nd Nov	WEEK 9 5 th – 9 th Nov	WEEK 10 12 th – 16 th Nov	AVERAGE OVER 10 WEEKS
Mrs Bird (R/Y1)	98.7%	97.3%	94.2%	95.2%
Miss Winstanley (Y1/2)	99.0%	100.0%	97.2%	96.8%
Mrs Lord (Y3/4)	95.1%	87.0%	99.3%	96.3%
Miss Philbin (Y4/5)	99.0%	99.2%	99.2%	95.4%
Mrs Summerton (Y5/6)	96.9%	100.0%	97.0%	97.2%

Mrs Summerton's class are now in the lead – will they get the end of term treat, or will another class sneak up on them?

Mr Gallagher
Headteacher