

"With Jesus as our guide; we love, live and learn together."

Newsletter 26: Friday 12th April 2024

Dear Parents

I hope that you and your families all had a good Easter break. It was great to have all of our children back in school on Tuesday.

Thank you to all of the Y3 parents who attended our sacramental preparation meeting in school on Tuesday evening.

Please remember to continue to follow your Eastertide 'Walk with Me' calendar to provide a daily focus for your family during this very special season of the church's year.



Easter Bonnet Winners:

Well done to all of our winners!

Nursery	Reception	Y1	Y2
Lois A Arthur M	Nathanael M Lily F	Oscar E Cara B	Olivia H Eddie M



Decorate an Egg Winners:

Well done to all of our winners!

Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Elijah S Eve M	Amelie S	Maisie Aoife	Martha T Olivia B



Thank you to everyone who took part and thank you to our PTA for providing all of the prizes!

HOLY NAME CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL - 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF SCHOOL OPENING:

Our school is **70 years old this year!** Holy Name Catholic Primary School has been open since **4th January 1954!**

To commemorate this amazing milestone, on **Saturday 29th June** there will be a special celebration of Mass at **12.30pm** in Holy Name church followed by our PTA summer fair which will include our school being open for past pupils, parents and staff to visit our school and have a look around.

Miss Edmunds would like to collect photographs, school reports and memorabilia from the past seven decades to display as part of our celebration. If you think you may have any items of interest and you would like to share or lend them to us then please speak to Mrs Potter in the school office. Thank you.

Knights of St Columba Nativity Art Competition Update:



Thank you to all of the children who entered The Knights of St Columba Nativity art competition at Christmas. This is a national competition which we have taken part in for many years. We have been notified of three winners from our school! Well done to Charlotte D, Layla W and Martha T (all in Y6)! They will receive their prizes in next week's assembly on Friday 19th April!



CAFOD BIG LENT WALK UPDATE:

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Lenten Walk fundraising. Thank you to all of the children at Holy Name who took part. We raised **£380.00!** A special Well done to **Y5** who raised the most money as a class!



Goldfinch Award for Our Values and Virtues:

Congratulations to these children who have excelled at following our Values and Virtues of 'Faith-filled and Hopeful' last half term. They will be receiving special certificates in assembly on **Friday 19th April at 9.05am**. All parents are invited to join us for this assembly. Please note that Nursery children will receive their certificates in class.

Nursery	Reception	Y1	Y2
Lily S Harry N	Noah H Tamkeen Q	Isaac O Christabel A	Destiny I Jayden B
Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Deon B Alexa B	Aiva S Haysus W	Jessica C Naomi A	Evie G Alfie B



Well done to you all! You have shown that you are truly living our school mission statement: 'With Jesus as our guide: we love, live and learn together.'

100% Attenders:

Congratulations to all of the pupils listed below who will be receiving their attendance certificates and badges in assembly next **Friday 19th April at 9.05am**. All of these pupils achieved 100% attendance last term – a fantastic achievement!

Y6	Y5	Y4	Y3	Y2	Y1	Reception
Muhammad A Alfie B Gabriella C Charlotte D Isla D Perfect I-K Niamh K-G Ava M Muna O	Jessica C Isla F Elsie H Hayden K Aoife L Savanna M Linh P Maisie P	Esther A Maddie A Emily B Andreea C Dylan H Symora N King David R-D Haysus W	Alexa B Deon B Gabriel C Arlo L Eve M Charlie M Ethan M Oscar P Martyna R Thomas S Natnael S Finley W	Emmanuel A Jayden B Grace F Rowan G Avni K Levi M Quinn M Emile O Price R-D	Christabel A Cara B Leo D Oscar E Pleasant I-K Evan L Litheeshan N Isaac O Blossom O-E Maja R-A Evie S-H Reggie S	Connor A Jayna B Tommy C Lily F Mia M Enzo M Nathanael M Esmee W

Y4 Parents' Meeting - Statutory Multiplication Tables Check - Wednesday 1st May at 5.00pm:

All Y4 parents are invited to a meeting to explain the expectations and content of the Y4 Multiplication Tables Check (which is a statutory assessment required by the government) and to also explain how you can work in partnership with school to help us to work together to prepare our children as well as we possibly can.

Number Fact of the Week:

It is really important for our pupils to learn their multiplication facts as quickly as possible. By the end of Y4, it is expected that all pupils will be able to instantly recall all of these up to 12 x 12.

Every week, Mr Shanahan, our maths leader, will be setting a challenge to learn a specific number fact.

Be prepared: when he sees you around school he will be testing you!

This week's number fact is:

$$7 \times 11 = 77$$

or

$$11 \times 7 = 77$$



Reception - Y6 Reading Challenges:

Our Reading Challenges are a great way to ensure your child is reading a range of texts which are age-related (with some challenging texts too!)

To make it super easy to participate, we have uploaded a direct form link which is accessible through your Marvellous Me accounts. The form is called 'YR RC' / 'Y1 RC' etc and they are also available on the school website – just click:

'Curriculum and Gallery > Reading' and scroll down to 'Reading Challenge'.

Or click on the links here: [Y6](#) [Y5](#) [Y4](#) [Y3](#) [Y2](#) [Y1](#) [Reception](#)

Every time your child reads a book from the specially selected list, they just need to complete an entry on the form and they will automatically be entered into a prize draw!

The next prize draw will be on Friday 26th April.

All of these books will support your child's love of reading and further enhance their vocabulary and encourage a love of reading. Good luck!

Masses this Half Term:

All **parents** and **parishioners** are warmly invited to all of our school masses in **school** at **9.15am** or in **church** at **11.30am**.

Date:	Information:
Wednesday 17 th April	Whole school mass in school hall at 9.15am
Wednesday 24 th April	Y4 and Y5 joining the parish for mass in church at 11.30am
Wednesday 1 st May	Infants' mass in school hall at 9.15am .
Wednesday 8 th May	TO BE CONFIRMED
Wednesday 15 th May	NO MASS (SATS WEEK)
Wednesday 22 nd May	Y3 Thanksgiving Mass for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in school at 9.15am

Diary Dates:

Date:	Information:
Monday 15 th April	Y5&6 Hockey Club 3.15pm - 4.15pm
Tuesday 16 th April	Reception Multi Skills Club 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday 17 th April	Whole school Mass in school hall at 9.15am
Thursday 18 th April	KS2 French Club 3.15 – 4.15pm
Friday 19 th April	Values & Virtues and Attendance Assembly in school hall at 9.05am
Friday 26 th April	PTA Race Night in School Hall
Wednesday 1 st May	Y4 Parent Meeting – Multiplication Tables Check – in school hall at 5.30pm
Saturday 11 th May	Y3 First Holy Communion Mass in church at 10.00am
Wednesday 13 th May	Y6 SATS week

Happy birthday to:

Jasleen Kaur (Y6), Pavneet Clair (Y4) and Logan Mander (Y3) who all have a birthday to celebrate next week.

Yours sincerely

A. Neenan

Mr A.G. Neenan

Headteacher

One of the precepts of being a Catholic is to attend Sunday Mass (or the vigil Mass for Sunday) every week and on all Holy Days of Obligation. This weekly commitment gives us the opportunity to celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord which is why Sundays are known as the Lord's day.

Mass at Holy Name Church:

Saturday 12.30pm

Sunday 8.30am and 10.30am



Third Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

In this Sunday's gospel, the disciples were talking to each other when suddenly Jesus appeared amongst them.

They thought they had seen a ghost! How would you feel?

Jesus wants to show them he is not a ghost, but flesh and blood, so Jesus does something very normal.

He asks for something to eat. Do you remember what he eats in the story? Jesus eats some fish.

Many of Jesus' first followers were fishermen and the first Christians used fish as a symbol that they followed Jesus.

James is a fisherman in Liberia. Sometimes he has to go out in his boat during dangerous storms and sometimes it can be hard to find fish to catch. Like the disciples James trusts in God. He says, "God comes first and then fishing... I put my boat out to sea and I pray. I remind myself: 'Seek and you will find. Knock and the door will open.' Each time I pray, I remember this."

A special project has helped James with a life jacket and a fish finder, which means he can find good fishing spots and return home safely.

After eating, Jesus gives the disciples a special job to be his witnesses; to tell other people about his life, death and resurrection and his message of God's love and forgiveness.

Our Catholic Mission:

The Christian faith has been passed on person to person for more than 2,000 years.

Who are the people who have told you the story of Jesus?

How can you share the story of God's love and forgiveness with others?

Prayer:

Father God,
you sent your Son to share your message of love and forgiveness.
Help us all to be witnesses to that love and forgiveness in our lives.
Amen.

Reflection taken from CAFOD Children's Liturgy

