



**HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

LIVE, LOVE, LEARN. TOGETHER WE WILL SOAR TO NEW HEIGHTS

# Holy Spirit Weekly

24th April 2023

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

*The children have returned from their Easter break well rested and excited to be back in school. We have had a fun-filled week of learning. Please make sure you have a look on our School Twitter page. It is lovely seeing the children look so smart in their summer uniform. This week we welcomed Saints to school who led some rugby sessions with Years 2, 3 and 4. The children had a fantastic time! We also had St Helens Chamber leading the Ready, Steady, Green project with Year 5.*

*On Friday, we had our values assembly for the half term introducing our value which is RESPECT. Class teachers have chosen two children from each class from Reception to Year 6 to be our Respect Ambassadors. These children have been chosen for always living out Respect in their words and actions. During Collective Worship on Friday the children were reminded of how Jesus wants us to live, by treating others the way we want to be treated ourselves.*

*I hope you have managed to meet Mrs Sharon Winders, who is our new Pastoral Manager. She is on the gate with me each morning and is looking forward to working closely with our children and families in Holy Spirit.*



**THE GOLDEN RULE**

**"TREAT OTHERS THE WAY YOU  
WOULD WANT TO BE TREATED"**

*Please make sure that your child is reading at home throughout the week and that their reading record is returned to school.*

*Wishing you all a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday morning from 8:45am. Let's try and have brilliant attendance and punctuality this week!*

**Kindest regards  
Miss Sinead Walsh  
Headteacher**

## Attendance and Punctuality



**Has your child been an attendance and punctuality **HERO** this week?**

**Here Everyday Ready On Time!**

Here is an overview of our class attendance this week. It is important that your child is in school each day if they are well enough. Holidays in term time are not authorised and could result in a fixed penalty fine to both parents. Please book holidays during our school holidays.

<b>Reception</b>	94.4%
<b>Year 1</b>	96.6%
<b>Year 2</b>	95.8%
<b>Year 3</b>	88.7%
<b>Year 4</b>	93.5%
<b>Year 5</b>	96.9%
<b>Year 6</b>	93.5%
<b>Whole school attendance</b>	94.2%

**Please also try and ensure that your child is in school on time – the school gates open at 8:45am. We have breakfast club open from 8am each morning.**

# Phonics

**Year 1**

Learn and Share for Parents Wednesday  
26th April 9am in the School Hall .

Follow us on  
**twitter**  
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**Year 4 and Year 5**



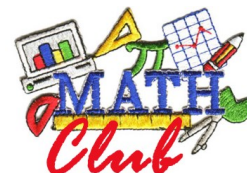
We are planning a Residential to Robinwood Activity Centre in September.

Due to the short time frame we have secured this trip at a very reduced rate. Your child can go on this trip this year for £130. The trip usually costs approx. £270! Please complete a consent form available from the school office. Final numbers need to be confirmed by Friday 27th April.

## **After School Club Notice**

Year 1 and Year 2

There will be no After School Maths Club on Thursday 27th April



Have you downloaded the Marvellous ME App? Ask the office for your child's Code. Class teachers use this app to communicate with parents



Information meeting for Parents for all children attending the KS2 Residential in May.

**9th May 3.05pm School Hall**

## Year 6 SATs week – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

There will be free breakfast club during the week of SATs for Year 6 which I encourage you to send your child to. Miss Walsh, Ms Devaney and Mr Bradley will be running this with the children. It is a great way to settle any nerves and help the children be with their friends before school

Year 6 SATs 2023 schedule			
Tuesday 9th May	Wednesday 10th May	Thursday 11th May	Friday 12th May
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• SPAG Test (Grammar and Punctuation) 45 minutes</li><li>• SPAG Test (Spelling) 20 minutes</li></ul> <p>20-word aural test</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reading Test 60 minutes</li></ul> <p>One paper with questions based on 3 passages</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) 30 minutes</li><li>• Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning) 40 minutes</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning) 40 minutes</li></ul>

Please continue to support your child over the next three weeks as they complete their revision towards their Year 6 SATs tests. Reading Plus, Times Table Rockstars, SPAG.com and Monster SATs are brilliant resources for the children to use daily at home. We will also be sending home some practice papers with the children.

### Year 2 SATs will begin on

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Mr Platt has been working hard with Year 2 preparing for their KS1 assessments and we know that the children will do their very best. Please continue to support your child at home with any homework Mr Platt sends

### KS1 SATs 2023 TESTING PERIOD - MAY

English - Reading Test Paper 1



English - Reading Test Paper 2



English - SPaG Test (Grammar & Punctuation)



English - SPaG Test (Spelling)



Maths - Paper 1 (Arithmetic)



Maths - Paper 2 (Reasoning)

# Diary Dates



24.04.23	Year 5 Swimming	Year 5
26.04.23	Phonics Learn and Share for Parents in Year 1 – 9am	Year 1
26.04.23	School Nurse Drop in For Parents – 2.30pm – 4pm	Whole School
27.04.23	Strike Action – School closed to Year 1, Year 5 and Year 6 ONLY	Y1, Y5 & Y6
01.05.23	School Closed Bank Holiday	
02.05.23	Strike Action—letter will be sent out on Monday 24.04.23	TBC.
03.05.23	Year 3 Reading Learn and Share For Parents—9am	Year 3
04.05.23	Y4 Holy Communicants - Service of Reconciliation 5pm in Church	Year 4 Holy Communicants
05.05.23	Own Clothes Day – King's Coronation Celebration	Whole School
08.05.23	School Closed Bank Holiday	Whole School
09.05.23	SATS Week for Y6	Year 6
09.05.23	London Residential Meeting for Parents – 3.05pm	KS2
15.05.23	Year 5 Swimming	Year 5
15.05.23	Y4 Multiplication Meeting for Parents 3.05pm	Year 4
20.05.23	Y4 Holy Communion St Vincent De Paul Church 10.30am	Year 4 Holy Communicants
22.05.23	Year 5 Swimming	Year 5
24.05.23	Own Clothes Day—Spanish day. Sweet Donations for Summer Fayre	Whole School
25.05.23	KS2 Residential Trip to London	KS2 Participants
26.05.23	School Closes for Half Term	Whole School
07.06.23	School Reopens for Summer Term	Whole School



## PE in Holy Spirit—this week

**Monday PE for** Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, & Year 6

**Monday Swimming** for Year 5 (Year 5 can wear their PE kit to school for swimming days as it is easier for getting changed)

**Wednesday PE for** Year 3 & 4

**Thursday Dance** for Year 3 and Year 2 this week only (due to Year 5 & 6 not being school)



## FOREST SCHOOL THIS WEEK

**Tuesday 24th April—Year 1 and Year 2**

**On PE days** Children to come to school in their PE Kit. PE top in house colours with shorts or navy/black plain tracksuit bottoms and trainers/PE pumps. Children should wear their school cardigan / jumper or their Holy Spirit PE hoodie with PE kit.