

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Spirit Weekly Holy

9th February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers.

This week we have learnt about keeping safe when using apps online in our Computing lessons in Ks1 and Ks2. As part of Internet Safety day 2024 we invited the amazing Altru Drama to school to perform 'Play, Post, Share, Repeat' with our children in Years 3-6. It was a fantastic thought provoking drama which really made our children think about the dangers when using the internet. Year 5 fully immersed themselves in a follow up workshop on using apps online safely.





Thank you to all of our parents and carers who attend our Chinese New Year event in EYFS on Monday. It is wonderful to have your support and see so many of you attend.



As part of Children's mental health week we explored this year's theme 'My voice matters'. Each class were empowered in their PSHE lessons this week by using their voice to share how they feel and believing that their voice does matter when sharing how they feel.



In Holy Spirit we are so lucky to have Mrs Winders our Pastoral manager supporting our children in our beautiful Rainbow Dream Den sensory room throughout the week and Mrs Pritchard our school counsellor who works in Holy Spirit every Thursday. On Thursday we welcomed Mrs Ravey who shared with us the Big Lent walk assembly and helped us think of ways we can raise money for Cafod throughout Lent by completing the Big Lent walk in school. This is one of our actions on our Live Simply action plan which we will share more information about after half term.



Thank you for all your support this half term as we help your child to soar to the highest of heights. Your children make us proud each and every day in Holy Spirit. Make sure you have a read through the dates in this newsletter for next half term. I hope that you all enjoy the half term break and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 19th February.

Kindest regards Miss Sinead Walsh Headteacher

Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you for your support with attendance this half term. Our whole school attendance target is 97%. We monitor attendance daily and are working together as a whole school community to ensure that we are aiming for our children to attend school 100% of the time. Please remember to ring or email

holyspirit@sthelens.org.uk if your child is going to be absent. We spend a lot of time each morning following up on children who are absent and we have had no reason provided.

Reception	93%	
Year 1	96%	
Year 2	95%	
Year 3	94%	
Year 4	95%	
Year 5	91%	
Year 6	94%	
Whole school attendance	94%	

Please also ensure that your child is in school on time – the school gates open at 8:35am. We have breakfast club open from 7.45am each morning.

BOOK/ES O COOKIES

On <u>Tuesday 27th February</u> we would like to invite Parents & Carers into school to share in our love of reading.

We will be holding 1/2 hour sessions for you to come in and enjoy a cookie and a bookie with the Class teacher and your child.

On the day, there will be an opportunity for parents and carers to browse the Book Fair and purchase books if you wish.

We hope you can join us. Nursery and Reception 9:00am -9:30am Year 1 and Year 2 - 9:30am - 10:00am Year 3 and Year 4 -10:00am -10:30am Year 5 and Year 6 - 10:30am-11:00am



Our annual Spelling Bee competition launched today.

All children in years 1 to 6 will take part in this fun competition.

Spellings have been sent home today for the children to practice during the holidays .

Round 1 takes place week commencing 19th February.

Good luck everybody!

Parents' Carers Evening

Spring 2024

Parents' / carers evening will be held on Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th February after school from 3.15pm until 5.30pm

The booking system is now LIVE for you to book an appointment with your child's class teacher.

If you need help booking an appointment please ask for assistance from Mrs Gilmore or Mrs Hughes in the office.



Diary Dates

19.02.24	School Reopens at 8.35am	Whole School
20.02.24	Y6 Lenten Stay and Pray –9am. Parents / carers welcome	Year 6
20.02.24	Y4 Lenten Stay and Pray—2.30pm. Parents / carers welcome	Year 4
21.02.24	Lenten Mass St Vincent de Paul Church 9am. Parents / Carers welcome Year 4 Holy Communion Preparation Session 5. 3pm. Parents / carers Wel-	Year 4, 5 & 6 Year 4 Holy Com-
26.02.24	come	municants
27.02.24	Bookies and Cookies—by class	Whole School
28.02.24	Parents / Carers Evening 3.15pm—5.30pm	Whole School
29.02.24	Parents / Carers Evening 3.15pm—5.30pm	Whole School
01.03.24	Reception Lenten Stay and Pray—9am. Parents / carers welcome	Reception
05.03.24	Year 1 Lenten Stay and Pray—2.30pm. Parents / carers welcome	Year 1
06.03.24	World Book Day—Non uniform Pyjama Day	Whole School
07.03.24	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Trip to Philharmonic Hall	KS2
07.03.24	EYFS Mothers Day's assembly—9am	EYFS
08.03.24	Mothers Day Assembly 9am Year 1, 2 and 3—9am	Year 1, 2 & 3
08.03.24	Mothers Day Assembly 10am Year 4, 5 and 6 -10am	Year 4, 5, & 6
10.03.24	Sunday Family Mass at St Vincent de Paul Church 9.30am	All welcome
12.03.24	Year 2 Lenten Stay and Pray—9am. Parents / carers welcome	Year 2
15.03.24	Non uniform day—Easter egg donations	Whole School
15.03.24	Year 5—Bikeability Day 1 of 5	Year 5 participants
15.03.24	Year 5 Lenten Stay and Pray—9am. Parents / carers welcome	Year 5
15.03.24	Year 3 Lenten Stay and Pray—2.30pm. Parents / carers welcome	Year 3
18.03.24	Year 5—Bikeability—4 days	Year 5
26.03.24	Easter Bonnet Parade—EYFS & Y1 & Y2 9am	EYFS & KS1
27.03.24	Easter Bingo Family Event—3pm	Whole School
28.03.24	School Closes for Spring Break	Whole School

PE in Holy Spirit—w/c 19th Feb

Monday Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4 & Y5 Y6

Tuesday Y5

Wednesday Reception, Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4

Friday Y6

