



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
LIVE, LOVE, LEARN. TOGETHER WE WILL SOAR TO NEW HEIGHTS

Holy Spirit Weekly

Friday 14th October 2022

Dear Parents,

It was fantastic to welcome so many of you to our Parents evenings this week. I hope you enjoyed visiting the book fayre, we will be able to buy some new books for our school library with the money raised. Thank you for your support.

If for any reason you didn't make parents evening, your child's class teacher will give you a phone call. Thank you for completing the online survey about it; if you haven't already done so, please click on this link <https://forms.office.com/r/T3FDW0LTbA> and leave us some feedback or scan the QR code to access the form.



Your feedback is much appreciated!

Some comments we have had so far:

Pleasantly pleased with the feedback.

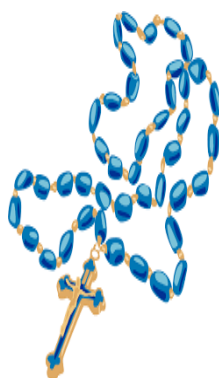
Absolutely fantastic!

Very informative & relaxed.

Very positive and friendly atmosphere.

Was very informative of how our child is progressing in school.

It is wonderful that so many of our parents are joining us for our weekday mass at St Vincent de Paul Church with Father Jean Paul. Miss Walsh, Bliss and Harrison from Year 5, presented a cheque to Father Jean Paul for the £100 we raised to buy medical supplies for the hospital in the Congo. Father Jean Paul passes on his thanks for this generous donation. Throughout the month of October we have been saying the Rosary in each class and we have asked Our Lady to listen to all of our prayer intentions.



This Thursday Year 6 will be attending mass at 9:05am and it would be fantastic if you could join us. On Sunday 16th October we have our first family mass which I am really looking forward to. Mass begins at 9:30am, please try and join us if you can.

Please try and support us with ensuring that your child completes their homework throughout the week. If there are any problems with this please come and speak to me.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday morning at 8:45am.

Kindest regards
Miss Sinead Walsh
Headteacher

Congratulations to all of our PATHs, Merit and Spirit award winners this week! Bethany and Harvey, our Head girl and Head boy, were proudly awarded the children their certificates in assembly on Friday, along with our class teachers.



Nursery



Reception



Year One



Year Two



Year Three



Year Four



Year Five



Year Six

Attendance and Punctuality



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

Here

Everyday

Ready

On Time!

Class attendance for the week ending 7th October 2022

Green 97%+ **Yellow** 94%+ **Red** 93.9% & below

| Class | % |
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| Reception | 91.7% |
| Year 1 | 96.7% |
| Year 2 | 90% |
| Year 3 | 94.2% |
| Year 4 | 92.5% |
| Year 5 | 90.7% |
| Year 6 | 98.4% |
| Whole School | 93.8% |

Well done to Year 6 for having an attendance above our target of 97%!

Our whole school target for attendance is 97%. Our whole school attendance from 5th September until 7th October was **93.8%**. Unfortunately this is due to a lot of our families taking their children on holidays during term time. Please do not take your child out of school for a holiday in term time. During parents evening last week, your child's class teacher discussed your child's current attendance and punctuality. You will also received a letter from myself and an overview of our new attendance procedure in Holy Spirit. I will be inviting some parents to meet with myself and the attendance team the week beginning 31st October if you child's attendance and punctuality is not as good as it should be.

Please work with us to ensure that if your child is well enough, that they are an attendance and punctuality hero in Holy Spirit.

Here Everyday Ready On Time!

This week's Event Dates for your Diary

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| | 16.10.22 | Family mass at St Vincent de Paul Church 9:30am | All children and parents welcome |
| Week beginning 17 th October | 17.10.22 | Year 6 Swimming | Year 6 |
| | 18.10.22 | Year 5 Viking Art Learn and Share 2pm | Y5 and parents |
| | 18.10.22 | Forest school Year 5 and 6 | Year 5 and 6 |
| | 19.10.22 | Friends Of Holy Spirit - Spooky Disco –2- 3pm EYFS, Year 1 & 2 3-4pm Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Tickets £2 | All children and staff |
| | 20.10.22 | Year 6 to mass at St Vincent de Paul Church with Father Jean Paul – parents welcome to attend. <i>(Year 6 Parents meet us at Church at 9:05am)</i> | Year 3 and parents |
| | 21.10.22 | October value of the month -Kindness - whole school collective worship and values celebration assembly 9am | Parents of children who will be receiving an award |
| | 21.10.22 | School Closes for Half Term at 3pm | Whole School |



Spooky Disco for all the children
Wednesday 19th October
Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Year 2 – 2.00pm – 3.00pm
Year 3 – Year 6 – 3.00pm – 4.00pm

Dress up if you like or own clothes for the day.
£ 2.00 per child. Includes a drink, a hot dog and treats.
Purchase tickets from the School Office from Monday 17th October.



Letter to parents and guardians from Merseyside Police re. Halloween and Bonfire Night

We are writing to all parents and guardians to ask for your help over Halloween, Bonfire Night and the days around it.

We want everyone to have fun and we'll be working hard to keep you safe.

BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP

Know where your children are

- Encourage kids to go to local events that are being organised, or try a spooky film together
- If your children are going out (particularly on the 30th and 31st of October), make sure you know where they're going. If possible, drop them off and pick them up
- Don't let your children hang around the street
- If they're going somewhere local – walk there with them
- Have an agreed time when they need to be home
- Don't buy fireworks or eggs and flour for them, and don't let them take it out of the house

Know the risks

- Throwing things at cars, buses, shops and houses can hurt people – drivers might swerve if they get distracted and cause a crash, or someone might get hurt by broken glass (and scratched paintwork can be very expensive to fix)
- Getting into trouble with the police can lead to a criminal record, which means not being able to go on holiday to countries like the USA, and not being able to do certain jobs
- Messing around with fireworks is dangerous – some burn as hot as 1,200 degrees - hot enough to melt glass and cause serious or fatal injuries

Know the law

If a young person under the age of 16 commits any of the offences below, the parent/guardian will have to pay the fine.

- A person under the age of 16 can be arrested and fined if found with an unlit firework
- A person under the age of 16 can also be arrested and fined if they throw or light a firework or make a bonfire
- A person under the age of 16 can be arrested and fined for throwing things like eggs, flour, paint or other objects at people, vehicles or property

Thank you for your help and support. By working together, we can keep your children safe this Halloween and Bonfire Night.

Merseyside Police