



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Holy Spirit Weekly

Friday 13th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy first full week of 2023 we have had in Holy Spirit!

On Monday we celebrated all of the children who earned their bronze attendance star badge for excellent attendance in the Autumn term. Mrs Hewitt, who is our EWO supporting us with attendance and punctuality helped Miss Walsh present the awards. Congratulations to Nyla in Reception who won our Autumn term 'In it to win it' scooter prize. We are trying really hard to ensure our whole school attendance is excellent at Holy Spirit this term. We know that children can get ill but if your child is not ill, they must be in school each day and on time. We have lots of incentives to reward and promote excellent attendance and punctuality in Holy Spirit. Each week the children receive a raffle ticket if they have 100% attendance and punctuality and this is put into our whole school 'In it to win it' raffle box for the end of the Spring term. This term the School Council have chosen a £20 Smyths voucher as the 'In it to win it' overall prize. Any class who has 100% attendance will have their 'Show up to glow up' light bulb shining in class and will receive a packet of biscuits for their class to enjoy. On a Friday any class who has had 100% attendance all week will receive the attendance trophy in assembly and will be given an additional playtime.



Please continue to try and make sure that your child is in school every day and on time unless they are ill. If your child is absent from school you must ring the school office and let us know as we still have some parents not informing us of the reason why their child is not in school. The school office will ring if we have not heard from you so you must answer the phone. If we cannot account for your child's absence you may receive a home visit from the EWO or the Pastoral Team in school.

On Tuesday we warmly welcomed Mrs Joan McCarthy, who is the Director of Education to school. She really enjoyed her visit to Holy Spirit where she visited every class and had a fantastic tour of school by Miss Walsh and our Head boy and Head girl. Thank you to Mrs McCarthy for coming to visit us in Holy Spirit.



Thank you to Miss Ashton's sister Niamh who came to visit EYFS on Friday, the children had lots of insight into the role of a nurse as part of their learning on 'People who help us'.



I had a fantastic time with some Year 3 and 4 headteacher superstars this week who enjoyed some hot chocolate with me – we talked about highlights from their week in school and what they were looking forward to this half term.

Our After school clubs begin on Monday, thank you to Mrs Hughes for organising these so brilliantly – please call into the school office if you have not yet signed your child up for a club. This term we have a wonderful after school enrichment offer for our children to take part in.

Our children looked so smart in their PE kits this week – thank you for making sure they had these on for their PE days, the children were much happier coming to school in their school PE kit. We are awaiting delivery of the sample navy school logo PE hoodies this week and will let you know when they are available to buy from school. We have decided to just buy the navy school hoodie as we thought you can source navy tracksuit bottoms much cheaper in the shops. Hopefully the rain will stop this weekend and you can enjoy some time outdoors. Thank you for all your continued support with your children. I look forward to seeing you all on Monday morning at 8:45am.

*Kindest regards
Miss Sinead Walsh
Headteacher*

Well done to these Year 1 superstars who enjoyed dining at the Golden Table for their lunch on Friday! Scarlett, Claudia, David, Teodora, Victoria and Brody had a lovely time!



Congratulations to all of our **Spirit**, **PATHS** and **Merit** award winners this week – we are proud of you all!



Nursery
Lilli, Harry, Tara



Reception
Amelia, Lucie, Atarah



Year 1
Sophia, Sofia, Dylan



Year 2
Caleb, Charlotte, Peyton



Year 3
Leo, Ksawery, Sophia



Year 4
Demi-Leigh, Lilly, Archie



Year 5
Jan, Isabel, Carl



Year 6
Sinead, Precieuse, Oscar



We look forward to our Chinese New Year and Celebration assembly on Friday 20th January at 9am. The school office will send a text to the parents of the award winners for the 20th January.



Upcoming events in school

16.01.23	EYFS:Where in the world project - China (parents invited from 2pm)	EYFS
17.01.23	Forest School	Y3 & Y4
18.01.23	KS1 Maths Workshop for Parents Begins 1pm – 3pm (Sign up required)	KS1
19.01.23	Y3 Weekday Mass at St Vincent de Paul Church – 9am	Year 3
24.01.23	Forest School	Y5 & Y6
24.01.23	Y6 Arithmetic Workshop with Parents 2.30pm	Year 6
25.01.23	KS1 Maths Workshop for Parents Begins 1pm – 3pm (Sign up required)	KS1
26.01.23	Y4 Weekday Mass at St Vincent de Paul Church – 9am	Year 4
26.01.23	Y4 Holy Communion Preparation – 3pm	Y4 Holy Communicants
27.01.23	Own Clothes Day for School Fund	Whole School
29.01.23	Family Mass 9.30am St Vincent De Paul Church	All welcome

