



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

# Holy Spirit Weekly

27th October 2023

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

It is hard to believe that half term is now here—I am sure that the children are ready for a break after working so hard this term. It was lovely to see so many of you at our Parents and Carers evening on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. I hope that you enjoyed looking through your child's work and speaking to their teacher about the progress they have made this half term in their new classes. A special thank you to our amazing cook Mrs Darlington for her delicious taster menu which she prepared. We hope that some of our children who currently have a packed lunch will consider changing to hot dinners—they really are delicious and the best and our children always enjoy what is on offer each day!



It has been fantastic seeing you all in school throughout the half term attending Learn and Shares—we will continue to plan these throughout next half term too. Thanks for all your support with our Book Fayre too, we had lots of sales and have raised enough money to buy books for all of our Year groups so thank you so much for your support.



Make sure that you take part in Mrs Lamble's Reading challenge throughout half term and our design and create a pumpkin challenge. We look forward to seeing all of your creations on our school Twitter page @HolySpiritWA9

Well done to all of our PATHs, Merit and Spirit award winners this week—we are so proud of you all!



On Friday it was amazing having our spooky cinema treat for everyone. A lovely treat for everyone before the half term break!



Wishing you all an amazing half term break and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 6th November.

Kindest regards,

Miss Walsh  
Headteacher

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**OPEN EVENING**

**FOR EYFS NEW STARTERS**

Is your child starting Nursery or Reception in September 2024?  
Are you interested in visiting potential settings before submitting an application?  
Come along to our open evening, explore our environment and speak to our staff about any questions you may have!

**Thursday 16th November**  
**4:30PM-6PM**

Holy Spirit Catholic School and Nursery Brunswick Street, Parr, St Helens, WA9 2JE  
Tel: 01744 678670

## Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School Half Term Challenge

### Carve your own pumpkin

Share a photo of it on our school Twitter page @HolyspiritWA9 or by emailing it to [holyspirit@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:holyspirit@sthelens.org.uk)

Final day for entries is Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

Each child that enters will receive a special certificate and there will be a winning design chosen from each year group for the most creative design! Results will be shared in our celebration assembly on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November.



Poppies will be available to buy in school from Monday 6th November

Our school Choir will be performing at a special remembrance service at Maddison Court on Thursday 9th November

## Attendance and Punctuality

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



**Here Everyday Ready On Time!**

Unfortunately due to the amount of holidays in term time we have had this half term as well as children being unwell we are not meeting our whole school attendance target of 97%.

## SCHOOL MEALS PRICE INCREASE

We have been notified by St Helens Council School Meals Service that Pupil Meals will increase by 10p per day to **£2.60**.

The new weekly charge is **£13.00**  
From Monday 6th November

<b>Reception</b>	92.5%
<b>Year 1</b>	99%
<b>Year 2</b>	90%
<b>Year 3</b>	98%
<b>Year 4</b>	96.7%
<b>Year 5</b>	95%
<b>Year 6</b>	98%
<b>Whole school attendance this week</b>	95.6%

## Diary Dates

27.10.23	School Closes at 3pm for Half Term	Whole School
06.11.23	School Reopens	Whole School
07.11.23	Tempest School Photos	Whole School
09.11.23	School Choir to visit Madison Court—am	Choir
10.11.23	Own Clothes day—sweet jar donation for Christmas Fair	Whole school
10.11.23	Year 6 to Parr Library am	Year 6
16.11.23	EYFS Open Evening—Prospective New Parents	New Parents
16.11.23	NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB sTODAY	Whole school

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

There will be **NO** after school clubs on Thursday 16th November due to staff training .

### SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

#### Applying for Reception or Secondary School— SEPTEMBER 2024

[School admissions - St Helens Borough Council](#)

Current Year 6. The deadline to apply is 31st October 2023.

Current Nursery for Reception 2024. The deadline to apply is 15th January 2024.



#### PE in Holy Spirit—this week

**Monday** R, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4 & Y5 Y6

**Tuesday** Y4 & Y5

**Wednesday DANCE** Y1, Y2 & Y3

#### PE kit

Plain polo shirt in white/green/yellow/red/blue depending on your child's house team

Plain navy shorts/plain navy jogging bottoms or navy leggings

Plain navy hoodie or school hoodie

Black pumps or trainers



\*Children wear their PE to school on PE days instead of school uniform.