



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

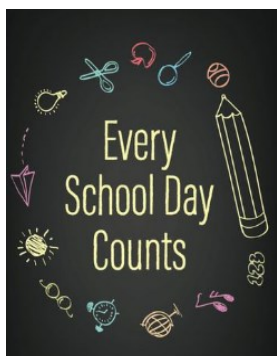
LIVE, LOVE, LEARN. TOGETHER WE WILL SOAR TO NEW HEIGHTS

Holy Spirit Weekly

24th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to Year 4 for having 100% attendance last week—what an amazing achievement. We are committed to improving our whole school attendance in Holy Spirit and Miss Walsh with our two parent governors, Kelly Taylor and Lucie Mayor will be working closely with all of our parents and carers over the next few weeks to get more classes achieving our target of 97% attendance or more each week. Thank you to our foundation governor Angela Roberts who gifted Year 4 with a whole set of Shakespeare books for their class library last week for having 100% attendance all week!



It was wonderful to have so many of our children attend our family mass last Sunday—our next family mass is on Sunday 10th December at 9:30am in St Vincent de Paul Church, we look forward to seeing you there!



On Tuesday I welcomed our school improvement partner to school, Mrs Tina Cleugh, she worked with myself and our governors throughout the day. Mrs Cleugh completed a learning walk with myself and was so impressed with our children, the fantastic broad and balanced curriculum offer that our children receive each and every day in Holy Spirit. Mrs Cleugh commented that what makes Holy Spirit the very special school that it is, is the strong, nurturing relationships that all of our staff have with all of our children and their families.



Five people die on roads every day Why do we still think it's OK to speed?

www.brake.org.uk/RoadSafetyWeek



This week we have taken part in Road Safety week. The theme this year is 'Let's talk about speed'. I have sent a Marvellous Me message this morning to all of our parents and carers asking you to think about not turning around your car at the end of Brunswick Street especially when our children are walking in the gates to school. It is very unsafe, I have raised this with the Community Police and am awaiting a response for some support. Please park in the Church carpark if you can instead of parking outside of school or on Brunswick Street between 8:30 and 9am. Thank you for your support in keeping our children safe on the roads.

As part of our Live Simply award, this week our pledge is to live sustainably by taking care of our school environment indoors and outdoors. In our whole school prayer and liturgy we listened to Pope Francis' Laudato Si message where he asks us to take actions to help nurture and protect God's world. On Monday our children will write a pledge how they will live this message out. Our School Council will be helping each class to Live sustainably.



Loving God,

As we write our Live Simply pledges, help us to think about how we can make a difference. You created the world for us all to share. Help us to think of you often.

Help us to be stewards of creation in our school Holy Spirit and throughout our world. Help us to look after each other and our sisters and brothers around the world so that all may flourish. Amen.

Have a lovely weekend, see you all on Monday morning,

Kindest regards,

Miss Walsh
Headteacher



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 so far this year, as well as children being unwell we are not meeting our whole school attendance target of 97%.

Reception	91%
Year 1	94.6%
Year 2	97.6%
Year 3	95.5%
Year 4	92.6%
Year 5	91.6%
Year 6	92.7%
Whole school attendance this week	93.7%



Holy Spirit Christmas Fayre takes place on Wednesday 13th December.

It will be for the children only during the afternoon and then Parents/Carers are welcome to come after school between 3pm - 4pm.

Children to bring their money in a named envelope- no more than £5

* Stalls *

* Raffle * Bottle tombola * Teddy and nearly new toy stall *crafts* Sweet Jar tombola* 100 Square for a Children's Hamper* and more ...



On Friday 24th November - Children can come dressed in their own clothes for a bottle donation -

All GLASS bottles need to be brought into school by an adult via the SCHOOL OFFICE.

Thank you

On Friday 1st December - Children can come dressed in their own clothes for a chocolate donation

* Wanted *

Cuddly teddies and 'as new' toys, games for the children's toy stall.

Thank you for your support and look forward to welcoming you on

Wednesday 13th December from 3pm

Ho Ho Ho!!!



All welcome to join us for Parr Christmas Light Switch on where our school choir will be performing. We hope you can make it !

PARR CHRISTMAS TREE SWITCH-ON

TUES 5TH DECEMBER 2023 | 4PM

PARR TERMINUS
DERBYSHIRE HILL/FLEET LANE



Diary Dates

01.12.23	Own Clothes Day – Chocolate donation for Christmas Fayre	Whole School
04.12.23	EYFS Teddy Club – 9am Parents welcome	EYFS
04.12.23	Y4 First Holy Communion Preparation Session 3 – 3pm with Parents	Year 4 Holy Communicants
05.12.23	Year 4 Reading Learn and Share – 9am	Year 4
05.12.23	Year 3 Reading Learn and Share – 2.30pm	Year 3
05.12.23	Parr Christmas Light Switch On with Choir	All welcome
06.12.23	Advent Mass—St Vincent De Paul Church 9.15am - Parents welcome	Year4, 5 & 6
10.12.23	Family Mass St Vincent de Paul Church 9.30am	All welcome
11.12.23	Santa Dash – wear Christmas Jumpers	Whole School
12.12.23	Christmas Dinner & Jumper day	Whole School
13.12.23	Christmas Fayre – afternoon – Parents from 3pm	Whole School
14.12.23	School Choir to Maddison Court 10.30am	School Choir
14.12.23	Carols by Candlelight In school – 2pm	Whole School
15.12.23	Festive Cinema – Pyjama day in school	Whole School
18.12.23	EYFS Christmas Nativity 9.30am	EYFS
18.12.23	School Choir to Parr Library	School Choir
19.12.23	Breakfast with Santa – EYFS, Y1, Y2 and Year 3	EYFS, Y1, Y2 & Y3
20.12.23	KS1 Christmas Nativity – Year 1 and Year 2 9.15am	Year 1 & 2
21.12.23	School Closes at 1pm	Whole School

Dates are Subject to Change. We will notify you of any changes.

Please regularly check the website, marvellous me or the newsletter every week

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.

PE in Holy Spirit—this week

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

Tuesday Y4 & Y5

Wednesday DANCE Y1, Y2 & Y3

Friday Y6