



HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



This Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and happy new year! What an exciting start to our term we've had! We are delighted to welcome our new Nursery teacher Miss Murphy – a very experienced EYFS teacher, who has really enjoyed her first week.

This week brought a magical sprinkle of snow to our playground, which our children absolutely loved exploring. Remember to wrap up warm with coats, hats, and gloves during these chilly days.

We're incredibly proud of how wonderfully our children have returned to school - their behaviour has been fantastic, and they're working with such enthusiasm and school spirit.

We've enjoyed some beautiful spiritual moments this week, including celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany and our special Mass remembering the Holy Family. Year 5 particularly shone during our Mass, leading with such grace and joy. The singing was wonderful!

This half term, we're focusing on Catholic Social Teaching's themes of Family and Community, with our virtues being Curious and Active. We'll be exploring how we can support and care for each other as we continue being pilgrimages of hope even though that year has come to an end

We hope that you stayed safe and well today at home and appreciate your support with the school closure today. Our priority remains the safety and well-being of all our pupils, so we'll keep you updated about any other weather-related changes.

We can't wait to enjoy a term full of learning, discovery, and community spirit!

Attendance

It is vitally important that your child is in school and on time every day. As a school we constantly aim for 100% attendance to make sure your child is getting the very most out of school.

We visit families if children are not in school as absences are a concern.

Class of the Week w/e 9.01.26

1JY/CY – 96 %

Extended leave

Over the last few weeks, I have received requests from parents for extended leave. Under no circumstances will I authorise periods of extended leave. We are actively working with the local authority to fine parents who are removing children from school for periods of extended leave.

13.01.26 – Year 1 trip to Oversley Farm

22.01.26- Year 2 trip to Oversley Farm

26.01.26- Young voices trip

05.02.26- Reception trip to Oversley Farm

06.02.26 – Year 2 Feast day

17.02.26- Reception Feast day

Breakfast club

Please join us for Breakfast club everyday starting at 8am onwards! Your child can come through the school office, have a warm breakfast and then go straight to class once the gates open. It is completely **free** and open to Year 1-6.



Cold Weather

Wrap up warm!
Please make sure your child is coming to school with a **warm coat, a hat, scarf and gloves**

Attendance is **compulsory** for all children unless school notifies parents otherwise.



English classes for Parents

We are trying to start an English class for parents here at Holy Family! The class will be run by BMET college every week at 9.30 a.m. and may be free if you receive benefits. If you are interested or know any parents in the school who are interested in the English classes please come to the school office to sign an interest sheet. Spaces are limited and you will be asked to do an initial assessment.