



### This Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

It’s been a wet one! Thank you for your understanding and patience during our snow closure last Friday. We hope all our families stayed safe, cosy, and well during the challenging weather. It has been a fairly quiet week! This week, our whole school has been focusing on the theme of **The Baptism of the Lord**. We began with a special Gospel celebration, to hear and reflect on this important moment in the life of Jesus. Our Year 6 Liturgical Leaders led a thoughtful and engaging role-play to help everyone understand the meaning behind this event. Following the celebration, classes continued exploring the theme through their own celebrations of the Word, deepening their understanding throughout the week.

On Tuesday Year 1, enjoyed an exciting visit to the farm in Alcester. It was a brilliant day of hands-on learning and discovery! The children had the chance to make bread using grain grown right on the farm, and they even worked together to churn their own butter—which we’re told was *absolutely delicious*. Activities like these help our pupils learn where their food comes from and build teamwork and practical skills along the way. On Friday, Year 6 enjoyed a fantastic fitness session this afternoon run by PULSE. We are delighted that they will be continuing with this over the next four weeks!

Our **fortnightly SEND coffee mornings** offer a supportive and welcoming space to connect, share experiences, and receive guidance. We warmly encourage anyone who may find these sessions helpful to join us.

Attendance		Upcoming Dates	
<p>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.</p> <p>We visit families if children are not in school as absences are a concern.</p> <p>Class of the Week w/e 16.01.26</p> <p>1JY/CY and 6JM – 96.6 %</p>		<p>22.01.26- Year 2 trip to Oversley Farm</p> <p>26.01.26- Young voices trip</p> <p>05.02.26- Reception trip to Oversley Farm</p> <p>06.02.26 – Year 2 Feast day</p> <p>17.02.26- Reception Feast day</p> <div> <p>We have <b>school places</b> in Year 2, 3 and Reception. Please let others know about Holy Family</p> </div>	
Extended leave		English classes for Parents	
<p>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.</p>		<p>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.</p> <p>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. You will also be asked to provide a proof of address and proof of benefits</p>	
Breakfast club	Cold Weather		
<p>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 <b>free</b> and open to Year 1-6.</p> 	<p>Wrap up warm!</p> <p>Please make sure your child is coming to school with a <b>warm coat, a hat, scarf and gloves</b></p> <p>Attendance is <b>compulsory</b> for all children unless school notifies parents otherwise.</p> 		

Our Virtues and Values are Learned and Wise. Catholic Social Teaching is Solidarity and the Common Good.

Have a lovely weekend, God bless Mrs King