



Together with Jesus, we grow in love

November 2020

It's hard to believe that we're into our 2nd half term and well on our way to Christmas! (Further details about how we're getting ready for a COVID safe Christmas in school will follow soon).

Psalm 46:1-3 "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging."



IT / Online Learning

All children have been given an email address in order for them to access Microsoft Teams, should their class bubble close. Accessing home learning is not a choice; **children are expected to complete the work.** In some cases, paper copies will be provided. We are using Oak Academy resources.

The children have logins to Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rockstars too. Check for ongoing homework too!



Unfortunately during these unprecedented times many aspects of school life are under constant review and change to enable us to meet all statutory safety arrangements. We thank you for your continued cooperation in keeping all of us COVID safe.

COVID safety.

If your child has Coronavirus symptoms (a high temperature, a new continuous cough, loss or change to their sense of smell or taste), **you must keep them away from school and book a test.** They will need to isolate at home until the results come through.



Golden Letters - Winners!



- Nursery: Joseph Walsh
- Reception: Aziz Othman
- Y1: Kylar Campbell
- Y2: Nima Rezaei
- Y3: Mariam Al Zorkan
- Y4: Dwarozh Aziz & Jamie Conroy
- Y5: Stephanie Laverty
- Y6: Kerys Cairns & Abdul Baker
- Mrs Clein: Aynoor Benrhuma & Madalina Tanase

Mrs Clein: We have a busy term lined up! Our new topics, 'Say no to bullying' and 'Getting on and Falling out,' are under way. We will be supporting Antbullying week on the 16th-20th November. Don't forget Odd Socks day on Monday 16th November and encourage your children to wear odd socks that day - the more colourful the better! All children have received the NSPCC 'Stay safe. Speak out.' lessons where they have been taught that abuse in any form is not acceptable and that they have right to speak out if this happens. Pupils will also learn about conflict resolution this term which reinforces our restorative practice within school. **If any parent would like to learn more about restorative practice please have a look @Re_Thinking to sign up for the online course.**

Year 4L have enjoyed starting their basketball lessons with Mersey Mavericks and look forward to developing new skills this half term. We have also enjoyed exploring 'Animals including Humans' in science and learning how our bodies digest the food we eat.

Year 6 have been reading and writing poems with a war theme and have also been exploring the impact of the Blitz on Liverpool. We have just begun our new unit of work in PE: sports hall athletics. Watch out Usain Bolt and Katarina Johnson-Thompson !!

Year 3: We have enjoyed getting back to school after half term to learn our new story: *The Firework Maker's Daughter*: a tale of a quest. In Maths we have been busy adding and subtracting, including learning the column method. In Science, we have started our new topic on Rocks where we have observed properties and classified them into groups. In Art, we have been exploring colour in *Georgia O'Keeffe's* artwork of poppies. We can't wait to paint our own flowers!



Year 1 continue to work hard, particularly practising their phonics. This half term we are looking at writing letters - maybe we will write a special one to someone in December! Yesterday we dug up carrots, potatoes and onions from our allotment, all fresh to eat. Look out for our gardening club after school.



EYFS: We have had a great start to this half term and have been busy exploring and learning about Autumn. We have talked about the signs of Autumn and enjoyed playing in the leaves outside. We found different sizes and types of leaves as well as making patterns and leaf rubbings. We used our senses to explore bonfire night talking about what we could see, hear and smell. We made some treats to taste and some beautiful firework artwork. We have begun our new story 'Wow! said the Owl' and are learning about daytime, night-time, colours and nocturnal animals.

Busy days in EYFS

Y4ML enjoyed learning about electricity. They used their knowledge of how to construct a simple series circuit when creating their own buzzer game. This was a lot of fun! They have now started to learn about animals including humans. Within this, we have been learning how human teeth differ to the teeth of various animals. The children have been learning how to use the column method to add and subtract 4-digit numbers with exchanging. Y4ML have loved their latest class novel, *Gladiator Boy* by David Grimstone. They have been using this novel to learn how to write a quest tale. Y4 spent a week learning about Judaism. They loved learning how to write with a quill!



Y2: We have already done so much since we have been back this half term. In History, we have explored pictures and objects to find out about who Guy Fawkes was. We also used 'Running Reporter' to research what happened during the Gunpowder Plot. In our English lessons, we have written firework shape poems using onomatopoeia words, similes, and alliteration

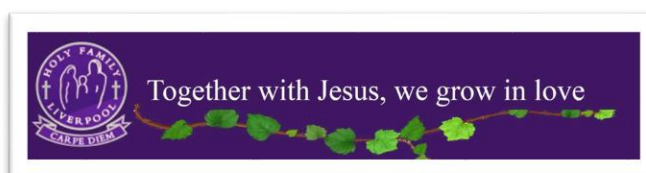


Matthew 25: 35-36

I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me a drink; I was a stranger and you received me in your homes, naked and you clothed me

Parents / Carers,
 We understand that things may be difficult for families right now due to the new lockdown restrictions. Families may be finding themselves in different circumstances than usual and may be in need of some extra support. Here at Holy Family we are able to help support those who may need a little extra help. We can provide you with information regarding local community help and a small food parcel if necessary. **Please note that all requests are treated sensitively and confidentially, so please don't hesitate to ask help if you are in need.**

You can contact Miss Scott through the parent email at:
Parentsupport@holyfamily.sch.uk



PE:

All children are expected to wear a white t shirt and black shorts only, unless they have a purple school t shirt. **No other kits are acceptable.** Trainers may be worn for PE only. **All children must have a PE kit.** Simple **black/white/grey** tracksuits can be worn in the winter, until then, a school jumper will be fine. PE days are also displayed on the outside gates. Children should arrive in their PE kits not their uniform on a PE day. **Please note that there are a few changes to the timetable due to basketball.**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception Y6D	Y2H Y1SB	Sonias Y5L	Y3M	Y6Y Y4CL Y4ML

Parentapps

IMPORTANT - PLEASE SET UP YOUR MESSAGE ALERT!

Any messages and updated information will be sent out via our school messaging system. Please ensure your details are up to date and you are **set up to receive message alerts**. If you do not have the app or can't access messages, please ring school so we can arrange to help you. **You will not be sent paper copies of letters.** **Any vital information about the closure of the school or class bubbles will sent through the app.**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Monday 16 th November	Odd socks day
Thursday 19 th November	Flu vaccination in school



All classes have their own Twitter account. Keep up to date with the learning taking place in your child's class and across the school.

Classes - 2020/21		Other	
@HolyFamilyL8_FS	Miss McGhee/Miss Fallon	@HolyFamilyL8	Mrs Davidson (Head)
@HolyFamilyL8_1SB	Mrs Bowes/Mrs Snell	@HolyFamilyL8_DH	Mrs Snell (Deputy)
@HolyFamilyL8_2H	Miss Holme	@HolyFamily_PSHE	Mrs Clein
@HolyFamilyL8_3M	Miss McClelland	@HolyFamily_CFCM	Miss Scott
@HolyFamilyL8_4M	Miss Loughran		
@HolyFamilyL8_4L	Miss Lawne		
@HolyFamilyL8_5L	Miss Lacey		
@HolyFamily_L86D	Mrs Doherty		
@HolyFamilyL8_6Y	Mrs Young		

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