



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Swimming lessons began this week for Holy Family pupils—Kents Hill Junior pupils began using our pool last Friday! Mr Smith has worked hard to ensure that the pool is in lovely condition and Mrs Dempsey our swimming teacher is keen to replicate last year's victory in the District Swimming Gala. Thank you to all parents who have paid their swimming donations via PMX Parentmail. If you would like to make your donation through instalments, this is also possible via PMX Parentmail. Swimming has been part of the summer PE curriculum at Holy Family for over 40 years and we expect all our pupils to participate in swimming lessons as they would in any other PE lessons (unless there are very valid specific medical or SEND reasons that would prevent a child from swimming).

Spellathon We are very excited to be purchasing new books for the school with the money raised by the Spellathon. If you have any remaining sponsor money, please send it into the school office. Miss Furby would like to thank everyone for their support and generosity.

Water Bottles There has been some confusion in recent days regarding water bottles in class. Children do not need a water bottle for classroom use as there is a water fountain in each room. If there are children who require a water bottle to address a particular medical or SEN issue, please talk to your child's class teacher who will discuss the points you raise with Mrs Hurley our SENCO. Mrs Hurley will authorise requests that form part of an individual care plan or an EHCP.

Job Vacancy



LGS Band 1 Point 7 – 10
11.55 am – 1.10 pm currently
11.55 am—12.55 pm from September 2018

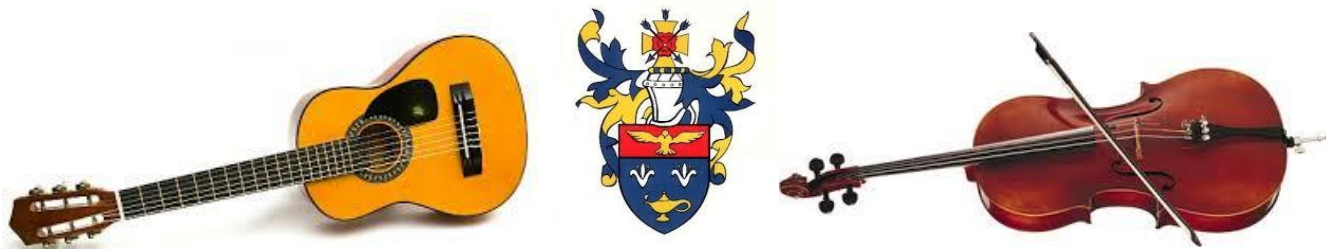
We are looking for Supply Midday Assistants who enjoy working with children to join our friendly team of midday staff. You will be required to supervise the children and look after their welfare during the lunch break.

Please contact Maxine Henderson at the school on 01268 792231 or email finance@holyfamily.essex.sch.uk for further information and an application pack.

This is a public facing role and the successful candidate must speak fluent English.

The Governing Body is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment. All appointments are subject to an Enhanced DBS Check, staff disqualification declaration, medical clearances and references.

Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School Music Scholarships All our current Year 5 girls received a letter this week with details of music scholarships and music places on offer for 2019 Year 7 admission. If you are interested in learning more about these places and scholarships, please do not hesitate to contact Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School on 01277 227156.



PGSA If you can help in any way with the Campout on 23rd/24th June or the Summer Fete on Saturday 7th July, please leave your details with the ladies in the school office. The next PGSA meeting will be on Monday 21st May at 7.30pm in the Bread & Cheese. All are welcome to attend.

Saint of the week St Catherine of Siena's Feast Day is celebrated on 29th April. Her writings are considered to be among the most brilliant in the history of the Church, despite the fact that she never had a formal education. She is one of only four women to have been declared a ***Doctor of the Church***. She was declared Patron Saint of Europe by Pope John Paul II in 1999. She is also the patron saint of journalists and those who work in communications and media.



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Attendance RF 96.2% 1F 94.3% 2T 98.6% 3W 95.5% 4W 93.1% 5LB 94.3% 6F 99.7%.
Well done to Year 6 for best attendance last week.

Mr P. O'Kane

Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday 7 th May	Public Holiday (School Closed)
Tuesday 8 th May	Year 5 Globe Theatre Trip
Monday 14 th May	Beginning of SATs Week
Sunday 20 th May	First Holy Communion, Holy Family Church, Benfleet
Sunday 20 th May	Pentecost Sunday—Birthday of the Church
Monday 21 st May	PGSA Meeting, 7.30pm, Bread & Cheese
Tuesday 22 nd May	Junior Music Festival Rehearsal, Thundersley
Wednesday 23 rd May	KS1 Cross Country—Pentecost Dash, 10.00am, St Teresa's
Thursday 24 th May	Year 5 Shakespeare Performance Day
Friday 25 th May	Crowning of Our Lady, 2.30pm
Sunday 27 th May	Trinity Sunday
Monday 28 th May—Friday 1 st June	Half-term Holiday
Friday 8 th June	School Talent Show
Monday 11 th June	Junior Music Festival, Cliffs Pavilion (Choir)
Sunday 17 th June	Mass of Thanksgiving, First Holy Communicants
Monday 18 th June	EYFS—Nursery & Reception Sports Morning
Tuesday 19 th June	School Sports Morning (Years 1—6)
	<i>Nursery Class and Reception Class will organise their own Sports Morning—date tbc</i>
Thursday 21 st June	Year 6 Deanery Mass, 11.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes, Leigh-on-Sea
Saturday 23 rd June	PGSA Camp out
Tuesday 26 th June	Year 1 Class Trip
Tuesday 26 th June	Appleton & King John Schools' Year 7 Induction
Wednesday 27 th June	Appleton & King John Schools' Year 7 Induction
Monday 2 nd July	Year 3 Eucharist Day, St Bernard's
Thursday 5 th July	Year 7 Induction Day, St Thomas More & WHSG
Friday 6 th July	Year 7 Induction Day, St Thomas More & St Bernard's, WHSG, WHSB, SHSG, SHSB
Friday 6 th July	Year 5 Taster Day, King John School
Saturday 7 th July	PGSA Summer Fete
Tuesday 10 th July	Year 5 Day—St Bernard's & St Thomas More
Wednesday 11 th July	KS2 Catholic Sports, St Thomas More, 10.00am
	KS1 Catholic Sports, St Joseph's tbc
Thursday 12 th July	District Swimming Gala, Runnymede, 9.30am
Wednesday 18 th July	Leavers' Assembly, 2.30pm
Thursday 19 th July	Leavers' Mass, 7.00pm, Holy Family Church