



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Ne'er cast a clout till May be out! The weather we have experienced this week has certainly proven this old saying to be true. Despite the inclement weather, some of the children have been coming to school without a coat. Please keep an eye on the weather forecasts and send your child to school dressed appropriately. During this current spell of changeable weather, you may wish to dress your child in their winter uniform.

I led an attendance assembly on Monday morning—congratulations to all those children who earned a 100% wristband. Thank you to all the parents and carers who are supporting their children by ensuring they attend school regularly. There is a clear link between good attendance and attainment.

Our mixed netball squad were in action at tournament on Tuesday at The Deanes School. A total of 27 schools took part. Holy Family's team played extremely well, winning 5 of their games, losing only a single game by 1 goal. The squad missed out on the semi-final stage by 1 point. Thank you to Mrs Bewers for coaching the team—she was extremely proud of their efforts and their behaviour throughout the tournament.



Assisi Catholic Trust (ACT) A letter from Gemma Ackred and Frank McEvoy from ACT accompanies this newsletter. Three schools formally converted to be members of ACT on Tuesday. Holy Family and a number of other Catholic schools will be converting very soon.

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.

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 May is traditionally the month of Mary our Blessed Mother. Perhaps you and your child would like to build a May Altar at home and use it as a focal point for family prayers throughout May.



Thought for the week “ Love me when I least deserve it, because that’s when I really need it”
Swedish Proverb.

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Attendance RF 86.2% 1F 98.2% 2T 99.6% 3W 94.5% 4W 96.7% 5LB 98.3% 6F 94.7%.
Well done to Year 2 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
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