



# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Newsletter 476 Friday 22nd January 2021

Dear Families and friends,

### ADMISSIONS FOR September 2021

We sent out a parentmail today to promote our EYFS for September 2021 (Nursery and Reception.) Please forward it to any of your local friends whose children are due to start school and who might be interested. **The Holy Family School Prospectus can be found on our website, and either myself or Mrs Hurley are always happy to show prospective parents around outside of school hours.**

### ADMISSIONS - UPDATE

If your child is due to start school in September 2021 you will no longer receive a letter from the council inviting you to apply and giving you the relevant opening and closing dates for applications. Please follow this link for further information: <https://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions-to-essex-schools-for-the-next-school-year>



Despite COVID restrictions the remote learning evidence is amazing. Please could we have more evidence of outdoor activity. If you can guess where my picture was taken you will win a small prize! Fresh air is good for the mind, body and soul.

This week I even saw Fr Eduard out on a cold and frosty morning completing his 5K daily run.



Image from Year 6 pupil's Class dojo. The children have been sharing their step count each day with Mr Holmes.

### In school at the moment....



EYFS and Y1 are taught in the EYFS classroom  
All other year groups remain in their own classrooms.

This is only for the children of key workers and those who may be vulnerable for whatever reason. Please think seriously whether you need our support, the fewer children in school the safer everyone will be. Also if you have booked please let us know if your child will not then be attending- we are keen to get provision right for everyone.



Believe in children  
Bernardós

Are you concerned about child's safety on the internet and would like advice and support on how to keep them safe?

The Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service presents  
Virtual eSafety Parent Workshops with



Thursday 28th January 2021 3:30pm-5:00pm

or  
Thursday 4th February 2021 starting at 8.00pm-9:30pm

These free parent's workshops will look at the online world and how our young people are using it. How they are navigating around restrictions and using the internet without the parent's knowledge.

This includes :

- Favourite apps and games.
- Dangers they face
- How young people are being influenced online
- Solutions that parents can adopt to help keep their children safe.
- Stranger Danger message that parents are familiar with and make it ready for 2021



To book your place now please call us on **0300 247 0013**  
Monday – Friday 9am-5pm

Services commissioned by:



[www.essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk](http://www.essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk)

### Online programmes.

Children should be accessing all the online work in these packages. Teachers and senior leaders are monitoring their usage by our pupils.



### A few pictures of work going on at home and school.....



All year groups and such a range of learning experiences!

## Holy Communion



If any Y3 parent has not yet returned their child's **First Communion application** they can now return it to school, or the Presbytery, and we will deliver the packs to Fr Eduard. Any older children in school (Year 4 - Year 6) who would like to make their First Holy Communion should speak to either Catherine, myself or Mrs Hurley and we will explain what is involved and how to apply. If a parent has mislaid the First Communion pack, we have got additional packs in school.

**Please see a message from the Mark 10 Mission below:**

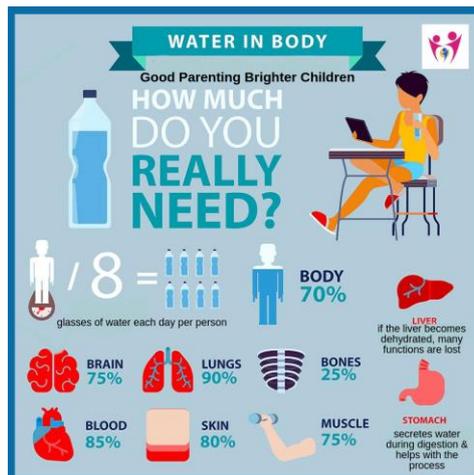
*We hope and pray you are doing well after an extremely challenging week. Our brand new episode of The Mark 10 Mission for this coming Sunday is now live and available on our website.*

[Series Three \(4th Jan - 19th Feb\) — The Mark 10 Mission.](#)



Jesus came with his disciples into the house. Again the crowd gathered, making it impossible for them even to eat. When his relatives heard of this they set out to seize him, for they said, “He is out of his mind.” [Mark 3:20-21](#)

Please encourage your children to drink water frequently. It is vital for their healthy development.



## **And finally**

Thank you all for your continued support,

God bless, have a lovely weekend,

*Daniel Craft*