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NEWSLETTER

Friday 6th October 2023 Issue 5

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your extremely generous harvest donations. We have been overwhelmed the number of items provided to help others. Thank you! Your donations will go to support Coventry foodbanks/services over the next couple of weeks.

Your book character pumpkins have also blown us away this week! Such wonderful characters have arrived including The Boy in Stripe Pyjamas, Little Red Riding Hood and The Grinch. It is wonderful to see such lovely, decorated pumpkins, which must have taken children (and parents) lots of time and effort. We look forward to revealing the winners shortly!

This week is Kindness Week in school. Children and staff have been nominating those who have shown kindness throughout each day. Our nominees will be acknowledged in our assembly and also receive the chance of a prize. Well done, to all who have worked hard to share kindness with those around them.

Please do remember to keep bringing in plastic milk bottles and plastic bottle tops as we continue to collect them for our Team Recycle Project.

Have a lovely weekend

Miss McDonald

Gospel Virtues

Our virtues this half term are Grateful and Generous.

We are learning to be grateful for our own gifts and the gifts of others. We are also grateful for the blessings of each and every day.

With our gifts, we are learning to be generous in sharing them with others and for the good of our community. We share God's love through service and use our gifts to do so.

"When life is sweet, say thank you, and celebrate. When life is bitter, say thank you, and grow."
anon

"Help one another with the generosity of the Lord and despise no one. When you have the opportunity to do good, do not let it go by."
St Polycarp

Activities to try at home:

Pray for the sick of the parish (from the bulletin)

Find a prayer to bless your home together as a family

Tell others when they have been generous with their gifts and talents

Take time to thank God at the end of the day for the gifts your family has received

Do share any photos and updates from your activities with us, we would love to share them on the newsletter or include them on Facebook.



Reminders/Messages



Sunday 15th October - Thursday 19th October: Year 6 Residential to Dol-Y-Moch

Monday 16th October—Yr 6 GO APE

Thursday 26th October: Athlete Visit - Year 1-6 to wear PE kits to school (sponsorship forms and more information to follow)

Friday 27th October- Choir Fundraiser Non Uniform Day

Monday 6th November - Thursday 16th November: Pools to Schools (more information to follow)

Friday 17th November - School Closed (inset day)

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Parking / Road Safety



Polite notice we experiencing problems with parking on Heathcote Street and Sadler Road, please can we remind all parents/carers not to double park in the sports centre carpark, do not park on double yellow line or across residents drive-ways. The residents in St Augustine's Walk have reported the issue to the parking wardens and they are issuing parking fines.

The school is not responsible for the fines issued.

Please take care when leaving school, Please keep children to paths and walk ways do not walk across the staff car park.



Medical

Thank you to all parents who have updated healthcare plans with me. All children with asthma or an allergy must now have a healthcare plan.

If you haven't yet done so please can you return the signed slip to say that the information on the updated plan is correct.

There are only six outstanding healthcare plans to complete. If you have received a telephone message asking you to call school to discuss a healthcare plan I would be very grateful if you could contact me so that these final plans can be completed.

Mrs Wightman (SEND/CO)



Online Safety

Bullying, wellbeing and mental health

AGES 5 TO 7

At this age, the approach should be teaching children about how we should treat other people in the real world as well as online. Children must understand how their actions can affect another person positively or negatively and how their interactions and submission of information online may impact negatively upon themselves.

It is useful for children to think about the trustworthy people that they go to if they are upset about the way they are treated online.

Your child's well-being is the reason that you are interested in their online safety. Use this notion to reinforce the reasons for the choices you make for your child. When you restrict screen time, talk about how this is for their physical health (so they do other activities) and mental health (because staring at a screen can affect sleep and well-being).

Maintaining open communications and using devices in shared areas help your child to be happy and healthy while still being able to enjoy the online world.



Did You Know?

48

is the average number of likes children see they need to get on a photo before they feel happy. (UK Safer Internet Centre, 2018)

Top tips:

- Teach and establish behaviours for how we should treat others and be treated ourselves online.
- Ensure your child has several trustworthy people they know they can go to for support (not just you).
- Teach your child how to have evidence of inappropriate behaviours from others such as saving messages.
- Stress the importance of protecting personal privacy, particularly as your child gets older and is statistically more likely to come into contact with strangers online.



Safeguarding

We do not tolerate any behavior of abusive, threatening or aggressive nature against Staff or Members of the school community

School Update

The School Gates open at 8:30am Please ensure your child arrives promptly. If your Child is late arriving after 8.40am when the gate is closed an adult must bring them to the school office and sign them in with the reason if lateness.

Can we remind parents that if you are going to be late collecting your child from school at 3:10pm, that you make alternative arrangements for children to be collected on time. We have had a number of parent arriving up to 30 minutes late this is not acceptable.

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Class Attendance

Nursery All Day	97%
Nursery AM	93%
Reception	96%
Y1M	96%
Y1RW	97%
Y2K	99%
Y3B	95%
Y3PH	100%
Y4L	94%
Y4M	98%
Y5A	99%
Y5S	95%
Y6C	99%
Y6D	98%

Attendance Goal 96% and above



Attendance Winners



3PH

100%



Aims

At Holy Cross Catholic Multi Academy Company (MAC), we view regular attendance as an essential part of a child's academic and social success. Learning and friendship opportunities are enhanced by sustained periods of unbroken attendance, and we rely on our partnership with parents/carers to ensure that this is achieved. Good attendance means that children usually make good, consistent progress in their schoolwork. If a child is registered at school, parents and carers have a duty under the Education Act 1996 to ensure that their child attends regularly and is punctual.

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Birthdays



Nursery	Mylah-Jai
Reception	
Year 1	Khalid
Year 2	Szymon and Poppy
Year 3	
Year 4	
Year 5	
Year 6	Arjan



House Points



St. David	St. Patrick	St. George	St. Andrew
2645	2465	2830	2690

Attendance Winners

100% Winners are :

Michael, Chris, Julia, Maya and Gabriel

Brilliant Awards



Nursery	
REC	
Y1M	Snowden
Y1RW	Samuel
Y2K	Zuzanna and A
Y3B	Mikola j
Y3PH	Emma Dabs
Y4L	Ola
Y4M	David
Y5A	Levi
Y5S	Emila
Y6C	Annabella
Y6D	Amanda and Brian

Virtues Grateful and Generous



Nursery	
REC	
Y1M	
Y1RW	
Y2K	
Y3B	
Y3PH	
Y4L	Ciara
Y4M	Matthew
Y5A	Lily-Mae
Y5S	Shyamala
Y6C	Jessica
Y6D	



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PE, After School Clubs & Sports News

Clubs

Please note: Football kits and branded clothing are not part of our school PE uniform policy, however these can be brought to school to change into, if attending an after school club.

Kits

Children will need to come to school in their PE kit on the days they attend After School Club. For **football** sessions, they **must** bring long socks and **shin pads** – **due to Health and Safety, children will not be able to join in without shin pads**. If children wish to change into a football kit, this will be done independently at the beginning of the club, but **football kits are not to be worn during the school day**. Clubs finish at 4:10pm and collection is from the office at the main entrance. If parents are consistently late to collect their children, they may have to be removed from the club, as staff have their own commitments after school.

Fixtures

High 5 Netball – Tuesday 24th October – Away vs St Mary & St Benedict

Mrs Kelly attended a fixtures meeting this week to arrange all of our High 5 Netball and Football sporting fixtures for the academic year. Mr Bennett will be selecting the teams based on children who attend the clubs and who are following the rules above. Please note, if your child is selected to represent the school, you will be notified via email and you will need to give your consent on Arbor prior to the fixture. We will always try to notify you of this a week before.

Results

Football Away vs St Mary & St Benedict

Well done to our football team for a 6-1 win at Thursday's match. Goal scorers: Jamail (4), Jose (1) and Daniel (1).

Player of the match: Jamail



Clubs

There will be no after school clubs Monday 23rd October, Tuesday 24th October, Wednesday 25th October and Thursday 26th October. Soccer Rockz football will continue on Friday 27th October for Year 1 and 2 children.

After School Club Contract

By signing your child up to an after-school club, you are agreeing that:

My child will:

- Be respectful** – to all adults and children within the club
- Be kind** – with words and actions to all adults and children within the club
- Be honest** – to all adults and children within the club
- Be safe** – by listening and following the instructions given to you by the coach or other adults
- Be all they can be** – to ensure the children get the most fun and enjoyment during the sessions!

We have a waiting list for every club we are running. Unfortunately, if these rules are not followed, appropriate action will be taken and your child may be removed from their club.

Active Families

Each week we will provide you with a resource which will give you some ideas on ways to keep active at home!

Grandmother's Footsteps!



What you need: three or more people

How to play:

- One person begins as the 'Grandmother', facing away from the others at the other end of the space.
- All other players begin behind a marker which shows the start line.
- Grandmother says 'go' and players try to creep up to the Grandmother without being heard.
- If the Grandmother turns around, everyone must freeze. If the Grandmother sees anyone move, they get sent back to the start.
- When the Grandmother turns away, everyone is allowed to creep again.
- The first person to get to the Grandmother wins the game and starts as the Grandmother in the next round.

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Choir

We had a full turn out for Choir this week – and made a great sound together. We have started to learn 'In The Mood' and a medley of songs from 'Moana' (including trying to sing some Tahitian!) ready for Young Voices in January next year. We also practiced a new hymn that we are learning ready for Harvest Mass next week – O Laudato sii, o mi Signore (Praise be to you, O my Lord).

I look forward to seeing and hearing you again next week. Don't forget your Young Voices booklets, a water bottle and a pencil.

Mrs Mills, Music Co-Ordinator



Harvest

We will be celebrating our Harvest Festival Mass, led by Year 4, on Wednesday 18th October at 9.30am.



Other

Cake Sale — Friday 13th KSI Hall at 3.10pm (pta)

Non Uniform day— 27th October (Choir)

School Disco—20th Decmber (pta)

Fundraising

Our School Choir take part in many musical events throughout the year – many of these support our school and local community. Some events, however, involve travel costs and our Choir would really welcome support to enable their participation in these. With this in mind, there will be a number of events taking place throughout the year to help fundraise. Our first event will be a non-uniform day on Friday 27th October – any donations would be most gratefully received.

Many thanks, Mrs Mills (Music Co-ordinator)



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AUTUMN MENU CYCLE St Augustines Primary School

WEEK ONE

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	Chicken Nuggets	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Roast Chicken Yorkshire pudding and Gravy	Beef Bolognese	Fish of the Day
VEGETARIAN COURSE	Quorn Nuggets	Tomato Pasta Bake	Roasted Quorn Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Vegetable Bolognese	Cheese Roll
VEGETABLE	Peas or Baked beans	Sweetcorn	Mixed vegetables	Sweetcorn	Peas or Baked beans
SIDES	Potato wedges or Fries	Garlic bread	Roasted Potatoes	Pasta penne	Chips

Salad served Daily



Packed Lunches

We would like to remind you that we have a strict **NO NUTS** policy at our school. We kindly ask that the following items are not put in children's lunch boxes

- No nuts or products containing nuts
- No Chicken or Meat on the bone
- No chocolate spread
- No sweets
- No fizzy pop



Please ensure that fruit such as grapes and berries are cut in half to prevent choking

Suggested lunch box items

- Sandwiches/wraps
- Meat/cheese
- Yogurt
- Fruit/Vegetables
- Crisps
- Small Tuck bar
- Drink – Water/Juice/Squash



Arbor

You can log into Arbor to view any clubs or trips your child may be eligible for. You can also make dinner choices and payments



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Term and Holiday dates 2023/ 2024



Term	Pupil Dates	Teacher Days
Autumn 1 2023 	Return to school on Tuesday 5th September to Last day of term Friday 27th October Pupils break up at 3.05pm on Friday 27 th October	Monday 4th September Friday 29th September
HALF TERM	Saturday 28th October to Sunday 5th November 2023	
Autumn 2 2023 	Children return to school on Monday 6th November to Last day of term Friday 22nd December Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Friday 22 nd December	Friday 17th November
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	Saturday 23rd December to Sunday 7th January 2024	
Spring 1 2024 	Children return to school on Monday 8th January to Last day of term Friday 9th February Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Friday 9 th February	
HALF TERM	Saturday 10th February to Sunday 18th February 2024	
Spring 2 2024 	Children return to school on Monday 19th February to Last day of term Friday 22nd March Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Friday 22 nd March	
EASTER BREAK	Saturday 23rd March to Sunday 7th April 2024	
Summer 1 2024 	Children return to school on Monday 8th April to Last day of term Friday 24th May Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Friday 24 th May	
HALF TERM	Saturday 25th May to Sunday 2nd June 2024	
Summer 2 2024 	Children return to school on Tuesday 4th June to Last day of term Friday 19th July Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Thursday 19 th July	Monday 3rd June

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