



There will be a newsletter next week, please read this bulletin carefully as there is important information and dates for your diary.

## Welcome Back

We are very pleased to welcome all our children back to Holy Family and a very warm welcome to all our new families. We hope that you have all had a wonderful summer break.

### **Dates for the Diary**

#### September

9th – Bikeability (Level 3 year 6)

9<sup>th</sup> – 2.45pm Meet the teacher year 1,2 & 3

12<sup>th</sup> – 2.45pm Meet the teacher year 4,5 & 6

16<sup>th</sup> – 2pm Start of year Mass year 1-6. Parents welcome

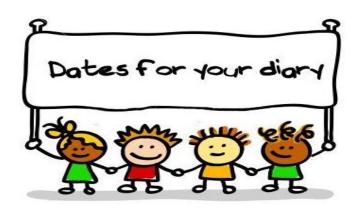
18<sup>th</sup> – 9am Coffee morning for new parents and HFFA

19<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Swimming commences

19<sup>th</sup> – Year 3 Egyptian workshop

24<sup>th</sup> – Individual and sibling photos

25<sup>th</sup> – 9am-10am Phonics and early reading parent workshop





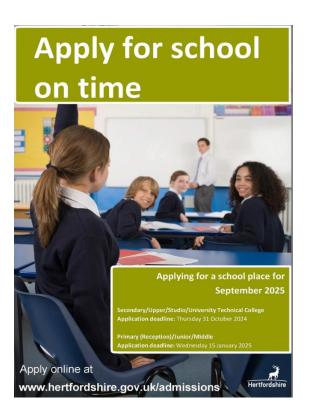


#### **Secondary School Applications**

Applications for secondary school places are now open for parents of children in Y6. Information about this process has been shared with Y6 parents and applications close on 31st October. Details of open evenings of schools in Hertfordshire have been shared. **The Saint John Henry Newman School** will hold their open evening on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September between 5.30pm – 7.30pm, the head teacher's address will be at 7.30pm.

This is open to parents and pupils in Y5 & Y6.

Please click here for further information on applying for a Secondary place



## Applications for September 2025

Families who wish to apply for a place in our reception and nursery classes for the academic year 2025-26 are welcome to visit our school for a tour with the head teacher. This can be arranged by making an appointment via the school office.

Tours will take place on Wednesday mornings.

Please share this information across our wider community.

### **Nursery Applications for January start**

If your child turns 3 between September and December you may wish to apply for a nursery place for them to start in January. Please contact the school office should you wish to make an application.





#### **Class Email addresses**

If you wish to contact the class teacher to ask a general question about something in the classroom, work or passwords etc, please use the relevant email address below. They are the first point of contact if you have any concerns or questions about your child.

Nursery@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

Reception@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

Year1@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

Year2@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

Year3@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

Year4@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

Year5@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

Year6@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

# Request for exceptional leave

For full guidance on taking leave in term time, please refer to the email that was sent out at the end of the summer term. The new guidance came into effect from 19<sup>th</sup> August 2024. In particular, please note the notice period to request any exceptional leave is a minimum of 20 days. Requests will not be considered and will automatically be unauthorised if received with less than 20 days' notice.

#### **Coffee morning**

We would like to welcome new parents and families to the school to join us at our coffee morning on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>
September from 9am. Mrs Micklethwaite,
Assistant headteacher (inclusion) and our school Family worker will also be available for an informal chat. We hope to see lots of you there.



### Parking and driving in Crookhams

Please be reminded that there is an 'unofficial' one way system in operation and drop off and pick up time to ease the flow of traffic. All cars should enter Crookhams via the Rowans end, please be aware that members of the public may not be aware of this arrangement and at times this can cause hold ups. Under no circumstances should cars stop in the middle of Crookhams to allow children to get out of the car as this is extremely dangerous. Parking, or stopping on the yellow zig zags outside school is illegal and also highly dangerous for pedestrians. Do not park on the grass verges in or around Crookhams.







Come and join Holy Family Baby and Toddler group!

## FUN AND LEARNING FOR YOUR LITTLE ONES!

Looking for a stimulating environment where your child can explore, learn and make new friends? Somewhere you can relax and meet other parents?

Look no further! Our baby and toddler group offers a vibrant and safe space for your baby or toddler (0-3 years) to engage in exciting activities and have the freedom to play.

#### EVERY THURSDAY 8:45AM - 10:30AM

- U 01707 375 518 Mrs Jackie Willcocks
- admin@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk
- Crookhams, AL7 1PG

As a family we live, love, learn and celebrate in Jesus