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THE HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

**'As a family we live, love, learn and celebrate with
Jesus.'**

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Welcome back to the start of a new half term. I hope you and your families enjoyed a restful and peaceful break. We have an exceptionally busy few weeks ahead, and the children have already settled back into their routines with an admirable focus on their learning.

With just five weeks remaining of the academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to reinforce the importance of good attendance right up until the final day of term. Every single day of school matters. High attendance ensures that your child does not miss out on essential learning, end-of-year assessments, and transition activities designed to prepare them for the next step in their academic journey. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child arrives on time every day. This afternoon, we hosted our Careers Afternoon. This event provides a valuable opportunity for our pupils to meet professionals from various industries, encouraging them to think about their futures and how they might use their God-given talents. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the parents and volunteers who have generously given up their time to speak with the children today.

Also this afternoon, we were pleased to welcome our local MP, Andrew Lewin, to the school. During his visit, he met with our Inclusion Ambassadors to discuss their work in ensuring our school remains a welcoming, supportive environment for everyone. He also took the time to meet with a group of Year 4 pupils, who had recently written to him as part of a persuasive writing unit in English. Mr. Lewin was highly impressed by the maturity of their letters and their thoughtful engagement with local community matters.

Looking ahead to next week, we ask that you keep our Year 6 pupils in your prayers as they depart for their residential trip to Grafham Water. This trip is an important milestone in their final year, offering excellent opportunities for teamwork and personal development. We wish them a safe, successful week and are hoping for favourable weather.

Finally, next Friday, we will celebrate Holy Family Culture Day. This is a significant event in our school calendar, allowing us to come together to recognise and appreciate the diverse backgrounds that enrich our school community.

'Diversity is the one true thing we all have in common....Celebrate it every day.'

Winston Churchill
God bless, Mrs Linnane

Upcoming Events

June

- 15th June – Y6 Residential trip (Monday to Wednesday)
- Y5 Bikeability Level 2 (Monday to Friday)
- 19th June - Holy Family Day of Culture
- 24th June – EYFS trip to Hertfordshire Zoo
- 26th June – Y4 trip to Tring Museum

For regular news, updates and photos about life at our school!

Please see our website:
www.holyfamily.herts.sch.uk

Facebook:
[TheHolyFamilySchoolWGC](https://www.facebook.com/TheHolyFamilySchoolWGC)

Stars of the Week



Rec - Marvin

Year 1 - Demiana

Year 2 - Eric

Year 3 - Janita

Year 4 – Y4

Year 5 - Brodie

Year 6 - Benjamin

Nursery

In Nursery we have been learning about Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We made porridge and left it to cool and when we came back it had been spilt everywhere and Baby Bear's porridge had gone. So the children have been looking for other clues that Goldilocks has been in our nursery. We have also been retelling the story with puppets, measuring amounts with porridge oats and building the bear's house with junk modelling.



Reception - We are growing butterflies. They have transformed into chrysalides. We did some lovely writing and created artwork to celebrate that.



Year 1

In Year 1 we made clocks in maths and used them to tell the time to 'o' clock and half past. In art we made 3D drawings using black and white card and black pens.



Year 2

In Year 2 over the last 2 weeks have been using Purple Mash to help us create concept maps about the different seasons. We had to add a title and then nodes to show the 4 different months and then add layers with more information. We enjoyed working with our partner.





June 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom, 90 minutes long
£24 each or FREE with School Membership
 Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk
 Recordings available for 48 hours

Understanding Anger	1 June 10am
School Anxiety	1 June 7pm
Facing Defiance	2 June 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	2 June 7pm
Anxiety Explained	8 June 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	8 June 7pm
Introduction to OCD	9 June 10am
What is ACT?	9 June 7pm
Decreasing Depression	15 June 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	15 June 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	16 June 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	16 June 7pm
Improving Family Communication	22 June 10am
Autism-Improving Communication	22 June 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	23 June 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	23 June 7pm
ADHD and Homework	25 June 7-8pm



UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY IN CHILDREN 2-DAY COURSE

TO HELP YOU SUPPORT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHO MAY BE EXPERIENCING ANXIETY

A FREE COURSE FOR PARENTS/CARERS

- TO UNDERSTAND THE CAUSES OF ANXIETY
- UNDERSTAND PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS AND HOW THEY MAY PRESENT IN CHILDREN
- STRATEGIES TO HELP A CHILD MANAGE THEIR STRESS AND BUILD RESILIENCE

DATES: Tuesdays 2nd & 9th June 2026.
 Participants must be able to attend both sessions

TIME: 9:30-11:30am

VENUE: Online via M5teams

To book a place, please use the QR code or go to: <https://forms.office.com/e/54WCpa4xZ5>



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You're Invited: Parents' Coffee Morning



Supporting Your Child's Next Big Step

Moving up to a new year group is an exciting milestone but it can also bring a few butterflies (for both children and parents!). Come along for a relaxed chat, a warm drink, and some practical advice.

- **When:** Tuesday 16th June
- **Time:** 9:00 am - 10:00 am
- **Where:** The Holy Family Catholic Primary School
- **Who:** All parents and carers are welcome!

What We'll Cover –

- Top Tips for Transition: **Practical strategies to help your child feel confident and excited about their new year group.**
- **Q&A Session:** A chance to ask questions and share experiences with other parents.



Summer Half Term Cooking Workshops



Recipes are all made from scratch using fresh ingredients. All meals can be made vegetarian upon request.

Calling all budding chefs **aged 8-15 years**; Come and join us this Summer Half Term at Goffs-Churchgate Academy, College Road, Cheshunt, EN8 9LY

**Monday 27th July, Tuesday 28th July & Wednesday 29th July
Wednesday 5th Aug & Thursday 6th Aug
Monday 10th Aug & Tuesday 11th Aug**

We are passionate about cooking and great believers that cooking is a life skill that sets children up for life and **EVERYONE** should have the opportunity to learn the basic skills.

What the children will learn:

- Basic knife and cutting skills – *Children will be using sharp knives
- Mixing, weighing, peeling and measuring ingredients
- Hygiene and safety
- The importance of nutrition & balanced diet
- Using the oven, hob and other electrical kitchen equipment

Our half term workshops are a full day, running from **9am - 3pm**. All soft drinks are provided and we have regular breaks throughout the day (Please bring snacks if required). Little chefs will make their own lunch in the morning, we all sit down to eat our lunch, a great way to make new friends!

Next up, the students will make their dish that they will be bringing home, learning and gaining new skills along the way. They also make a sweet treat.

All food and equipment is provided and children will be provided with recipe cards and a container to take their food home; they'll want to show off what they've made!

We have a **creative and exciting recipe library** of sweet and savoury dishes, all recipes are made from scratch, **using REAL ingredients**.

Prices are £55.00 per workshop - payment to be made in full.

Please be advised that we do not offer refunds.

We are only able to take a maximum of 12 children per workshop, please book in early to avoid disappointment!

Summer Half Term 2026

For more information and to book please do contact me:

Phone: Louise Penn 07946 303213

Email: louise@everyonecooks.co.uk

Website: www.everyone-cooks.com

Monday 27th July 2026

AM: Brioche French Toast with Maple syrup and berries

Treat: Lemon Drizzle Tray bake

PM: Cheeseburger Pasta Bake

Tuesday 28th July 2026

AM: Homemade Sausage and Egg McMuffin

Treat: Baked donuts with icing and sprinkles

PM: Crispy Sweet & Sour Pork with Rice

Wednesday 29th July 2026

AM: Chicken Fajita Wraps

Treat: Vanilla Tray bake with icing and sprinkles

PM: Garlic Butter and bacon spaghetti

Wednesday 5th August 2026

AM: Homemade Hash browns with fried egg

Treat: Bakewell Bake (Contains nuts; Almonds)

PM: Smash Burger with Chips

Thursday 6th August 2026

AM: Pizza

Treat: Smartie Cookies

PM: Chicken Katsu Curry with Rice

Monday 10th August 2026

AM: Loaded Fries with Cheese and Bacon

Treat: Oreo Rice crispy bars

PM: Marinated Chicken Skewers, salad, flatbread and Tzatziki dip

Tuesday 10th August 2026

AM: Fluffy American pancakes with Maple Syrup

Treat: Chocolate Chip Cookies

PM: Chicken Thigh burger with bacon and wedges

Peartree Park Community Event

Saturday 18 July
1-4pm
Peartree Park, Shephall

FREE ENTRY **ALL AGES WELCOME**

Activities/attractions to include:

Drift
The Cycling Hub
Everyone Active

Plus stalls and activities for the whole family

Email: community.development@stevenage.gov.uk
Tel: 07702 916 883

Logos: DRIFT, STEVENAGE CYCLING HUB, everyone ACTIVE, Stevenage BOROUGH COUNCIL

FAMILY COLOUR RUN

FRIDAY 3RD JULY
3:45 - 4:45

Holy Family School Field

Get ready to burst into colour at our family Colour Run! Dash through fun zones where bursts of powdered paint fly, crossing the finish line looking like a rainbow. Wear a white T-shirt for maximum splash. This is all about fun, friends, and unforgettable photos.

Ticket Prices

- Participants – £6
- Observers – £2
- Volunteers – Free!

RAFFLE
FOOD & DRINK
MUSIC

<https://www.pto-events.co.uk/holyfamilycatholicprimaryschool/>

Clubs

Please see a summary below of the school organised and external clubs that are running next half term

	Organised by school 3.15-4.15pm No charge Booked via Arbor & queries to school office	Organised by external providers Check sign up details, times and prices for each club
Mon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletics Club – Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6 Get Creative Club – Reception, Y1 & Y2 (for 3 weeks) Table Tennis Club – Y5 & Y6 Card Games Club – Y1, Y2 & Y3 Rounder's Club – Y5 & Y6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tetra Sports Football Club for Yr 1 & 2 – details here or https://tetrasports.magicbooking.co.uk/
Tues		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chess Club – for Y2-Y6 Contact Zahra Jaufarally @ Kings and Queens Chess Club admin@kingsandqueenschess.co.uk 07900 048446 or sign up here
Weds		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tetra Sports Football Club for all KS2 – details here or https://tetrasports.magicbooking.co.uk/
Thurs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homework Club – Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, & Y6 OPAL play club – Y1, Y2 & Y3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everyone Cooks for Y1-Y6 Contact Louise Penn on 07946 303 213 or louise@everyonecooks.co.uk
Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Photography & Video Club – Y4, Y5 & Y6 	

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July

1st July – Year 5 Whole Class Olympics at Gosling Sports Centre

6th July – Y6 Swimming lessons Hartham Leisure Centre

7th July – 12.30pm Who's in Charge Course via School Family Worker held in school library

15th July – 11-12pm Y6 Leavers Mass

1.30-3pm Y5 & Y6 Production

16th July – 2-3pm Y6 Leavers assembly

17th July – 9.30-10.30 Choir Summer Concert

1.15pm SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS

