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THE HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

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

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It has been another busy and positive couple of weeks at Holy Family, with lots to celebrate as we continue to live, love, learn and celebrate with Jesus. October is the Month of the Holy Rosary, and our school community has already begun marking this special time through prayer. Our Chaplaincy Team is leading the Rosary every Wednesday lunchtime in our Prayer Garden, and we warmly invite families to join us every Friday morning throughout October to pray the Rosary together after drop-off. It is a special opportunity to come together in faith and share a moment of prayer as a school family.

We also celebrated a wonderful Welcome Service for our Early Years children, led by Fr Norbert. It was a real joy to see so many parents, grandparents and family members there to support the children as they begin their journey at Holy Family. Thank you for joining us for such a special occasion. To all our new children and families, a very warm welcome to the Holy Family school family! We look forward to working in partnership with you as your children grow, learn and flourish.

If your child has not told you about Spelling Shed yet, do ask them! We have recently introduced this new scheme to support the teaching of spelling across Key Stage 2, and the feedback from pupils has been overwhelmingly positive. I had the pleasure of dropping into spelling lessons this week and was delighted to see the children so engaged and enthusiastic about their learning. A reminder that parent consultations are coming up. These meetings are an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate their achievements and work together to support their next steps. Please ensure you attend and book your appointment using the School Cloud link.

Looking ahead, our Harvest collection for the local foodbank begins on **Monday 19th October**, giving us a wonderful opportunity to put our school values of sharing and acceptance into action. Our Harvest Mass will take place on **Friday 23rd October**, and all families are warmly invited to join us as we give thanks for all that we have and remember those in need. As we continue through this special month of prayer, may Our Lady watch over our school community, guide our children and bring peace to all our families.

Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.

God bless, Mrs Linnane

Upcoming Events

October

13th October – 2.45-3.15pm Y3 Topic Celebration

14th October – 2.45-3.15pm Nursery Topic Celebration

15th October – 2.45-3.15pm Y2 & Y6 Topic Celebration

16th October – 2.45-3.25pm Y1, Y4 & Y5 Topic Celebration

Y6 Trip to Aylesford

HFFA School Disco

21st October - 3.30-6.30pm Parents Consultations in person

22nd October - 3.30-6.30pm Parents Consultations online

23rd October - 9.15am Harvest Mass

26th to 25th October HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

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 -

Year 1 - Ella

Year 2 - Kacye

Year 3 - Chris

Year 4 - Lennie

Year 5 - Lyla

Year 6 - Nadine

EYFS

Our little mathematicians have been busy practicing their counting skills up to 3! They are working hard on *one-to-one correspondence*—taking their time to point to or touch each object as they say each number word aloud.



Following our love for Rod Campbell's classic *Dear Zoo*, the nursery children have been busy making their very own flap books! Instead of the traditional zoo animals, the children got creative and hid their favourite characters behind the flaps—from Bluey and Spidey to magical unicorns!



Year 2

In our PE lesson today, we recapped our knowledge of what skills you need to have to work in a team. We then had different stations set up in the hall to work on our target skills.



PLEASE MAKE YOUR BOOKING ON THE QR CODE PROVIDED ON THE
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DISCO Night

FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER

KS1 & RECEPTION 3:45 - 4:45
KS2 5:00 - 6:00

Tickets £5
Must be purchased in advance



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

Clubs

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

	Organised by school 3.15-4.15pm No charge <i>Booked via Arbor & queries to school office</i>	Organised by external providers <i>Check sign up details, times and prices for each club</i>
Mon	Card Games Club – Y1 & Y2	Tetra Sports Football Club for Yr 1 & 2 – details here or https://tetrasports.magicbooking.co.uk/
Tues	Book Club – Y5 & Y6	- Chess Club – for Y2-Y6 Contact Zahra Jaufarally @ Kings and Queens Chess Club admin@kingsandqueenschess.co.uk 07900 048446 or sign up here - Spanish Club – Reception to Y6 (3.30-4pm) www.littlelinguists.org.uk suzanne@littlelinguists.org.uk 07857 974437
Weds		Tetra Sports Football Club for all KS2 – details here or https://tetrasports.magicbooking.co.uk/
Thurs	Homework/TTRS Club –Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	Everyone Cooks for Y1-Y6 Contact Louise Penn on 07946 303 213 or louise@everyonecooks.co.uk
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November

13th November – 3.15pm HFFA Cake Sale Y1 & Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

2.30-3.15pm Subject Showcase – More information to follow

18th November – 9-10am Oracy Workshop for Parents

20th November – Children in Need- Odd Socks Day

24th November – Y2 Victorian Workshop in school hall

27th November – INSET DAY SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED

30th November – OCCASSIONAL DAY SCHOOL CLOSED

