



The Holy Family School News Bulletin –19th January 2024



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

Reporting your child absent

If your child is absent from school please can you contact the school to notify us as soon as possible. Absences should be reported by 9.30am at the latest.

Absences can be reported via the absence line or through an email to admin@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk. Please state the reason for your child's absence. You must also cancel your child's meal on the school grid. If you pay for your meals you may still be charged if you do not cancel. Parents can make changes on the school grid up until 8.50am on the day.

Lunches

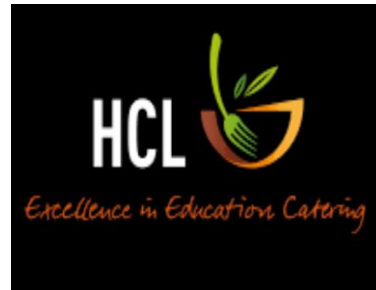
We would like to kindly remind parents that all school meals should be ordered and paid for (where applicable) in advance on the school grid. If you do not do pre order your child may not get the meal choice they want.

Please note that there is a menu swap for Wednesday 14th February and Thursday 15th February so please check your school grid account to make sure your child has the meal they want.

HCL – Price increase

We have received notification from HCL that due to inflation and continuing rising food costs there will be an increase in the school dinners for KS2 children.

The new price from April 2024 will be £3.30 per meal.



Punctuality

The school gates open at 8.45am. All children should be in school and learning by 9am at the very latest. An increasing number of children are arriving at 9am or later and are missing the important beginning of lessons. If your child does arrive late an adult **must** sign them in on the invent system. Lateness is being closely monitored as well as attendance.

Please do not send your child into school via the school office on their own.



PE kit

Children should be wearing:

- Holy Family sports PE top
- Plain back shorts (plain trousers/leggings in the colder weather)
- Plain black hoodie/zip up top

There should be no logo's on the trousers or hoodie.

Long hair

Long hair should be tied back throughout the school day. Jewellery should not be worn except for plain stud earrings which must be removed on P.E days. Haircuts should be sensible, no extreme styles or shaving and of a natural colour. Any hair accessories should be neutral or in school colours.

Too good to go app

Food waste is a big problem, and we can be a solution. **Too Good To Go** is the **app** that lets you rescue unsold food from an untimely fate at your favourite spots.

For full information on how the app works and what is available click [here](#).

Help the environment reduce food waste and rescue food from your favourite spots such as:

- Simmons
- Gregs
- Wenzels
- Morrisons
- Aldi

And many more places at a fraction of the cost.



Are you looking for strategies to help your child cope with everyday worries?

Do you want to find out more about strategies to deal with anxiety?

Do you have a specific question about your child's progress or needs?

Join us on Tuesday 23rd January straight after drop off for a coffee and chat.

*Angela Micklethwaite AHT (Inclusion)
Kelly O'Connell & Sarah Cafferty (School Family Workers)*



January

23rd – SFW coffee morning – all welcome (straight after drop off)

29th - Year 6 topic celebration 2.45pm

30th - Year 4 & 5 topic celebration 2.45pm

31st – Year 4 class mass 2pm

February

6th – Safer internet day

8th – St Josephine Bakhita day

14th – Ash Wednesday

14th Parent consultations (in person)

15th – Parent consultations (online)

16th – Finish for half tem 3.15pm

