

HOLY NAME CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER: NOVEMBER 2020

Please be advised that all school documentation is available in different formats, on request.

REPORTING ABSENCES

Please contact school before 8.45 am if your child is going to be absent. If your child receives a positive COVID-19 test result, please inform school immediately by telephone, email or Dojo. If it is outside of school hours, please email:

COVID@holyname.liverpool.sch.uk We need the information so we can take the necessary steps in school and inform Public Health. We will need to know the following details:

- child's name
- date of birth
- postcode
- symptoms/asymptomatic
- date symptoms started
- date of the test result.

Due to the current circumstances, can parents/carers please ensure they are signed up to Class Dojo. This will ensure the school can remain in constant communication with you in case your child's bubble or the school is required to isolate. Please remember more than one parent can sign up to be connected to the same child. If you do not have a code or login for your child, please email Mr Hartley in the school office, admin@holyname.liverpool.sch.uk.

RECEPTION APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

If you have a child who will turn four by 31 August 2021, please make sure you apply for a reception place online on the Liverpool City Council website (or Knowsley if you come under Knowsley Council) before 15 January 2021.

NON UNIFORM DAY – CHILDREN IN NEED, FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER

Children are invited to dress up in whatever they choose (weather permitting) on Friday 13 November and we ask for a 50p contribution towards this worthy cause.

NON UNIFORM DAY – WEAR BLUE FOR WELLBEING, FRIDAY 20 NOVEMBER

This year, Bullying UK are focusing on their 'Wear Blue' campaign to help boost emotional wellbeing. Children are invited to wear blue on Friday 20 November to show support for this campaign. There will be no charge on this day. We just ask that you talk to your child about the importance of treating others with respect and we will do the same in school. However, if you wish to donate, you can do through their 'Just Giving' page. <https://www.bullying.co.uk/wear-blue-day/wear-blue-pack/>

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Children are not allowed to wear hooped or drop earrings in school because of health and safety reasons. Only studs are allowed. This is in the school prospectus. Please ensure that if your child wears earrings for school that they are studs. Thank you for your support.

SPEED BOUNCE COMPETITION

Well done to Key Stage One pupils who entered the LSSP's speed bounce competition and congratulations to Molly Brew who was the winner and went through to compete in the second round against other schools. Thanks to Miss Boote who organised the competition and sent in the number of bounces completed. Although we did not get any further, the children all enjoyed themselves, which is the main thing.

PE UNIFORM

We are currently in talks with our uniform supplier to get them to supply a Holy Name PE kit. This will be navy blue jogging bottoms and jacket/sweatshirt with the school logo on. In the meantime, please try to ensure that your child wears navy shorts or bottoms and a white round necked t shirt for PE. Other sportswear is not permitted. Thank you.

BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB (OUT OF HOURS)

Please remember that you need to book onto these clubs a week in advance. We have to be strict on numbers allowed because of COVID-19 restrictions and you should not turn up with your child at breakfast club on the day and expect them to be admitted. Nor should you inform a member of staff on the door that your child is in Out of Hours club if they are not booked in. It is not fair to the staff who are on duty. Please be considerate and check availability on the online form that Mr Hartley puts out each week. Also, please pay all monies online or pass into the office in an envelope with your child's name on. Out of Hours staff will not take money on the door.

FLU IMMUNISATION

If you have not yet returned the consent form from NHS Mersey Care regarding the flu immunisation, please send it into school as soon as possible. The team from NHS Mersey Care will be in school on 9 December.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Please make sure your child attends school every day unless they are ill. We have been asked to follow the usual guidelines for attendance once again so if necessary, we will inform the Education Welfare Officer about any child who does not attend school without a valid reason. This may lead to prosecution of the situation does not improve. We therefore ask that you do not keep your child off school unless they really are too ill to attend. It is also important that children arrive at school on time so they do not miss lessons. We still have a small amount of pupils turning up late on a regular bases and the teaching and learning opportunities soon adds up.

HOLIDAYS

Holidays will not be authorised during term time apart from extenuating circumstances. Any unauthorised absences will be reported to the Education Welfare Officer and Liverpool Education Authority will issue penalty notices. Children will miss out on important learning and this could result in affecting their academic performance and attainment. We have been asked by the LEA to prosecute any parent/carer who takes their child out of school unauthorised during term time.

PARKING

Please continue to keep OUR children safe. Please park in safe areas or walk to school if you do not live too far away. We are constantly seeing people parking illegally which is unfair to the people that park safely and the people in the school community who live near the school. Despite a message going out on Dojo yesterday, there were still numerous cars parked across people's driveways on Mossfits Lane. Please consider others and the safety of our children. Thank you.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY SUPPORT TEAM (Archdiocese)

This is offered by Jackie Brougham who can be contacted on
Tel: 0789 179 5145 or by Email: jackiebrougham@btinternet.com.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 13 November – own clothes day for Children in Need (50p donation)

Friday 20 November – wear blue for Emotional Wellbeing

School closes on Friday 18 December at 1.15 pm

School reopens on Monday 4 January at 8.45 am