



Holy Cross School Newsletter

Friday 18 October 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term has flown by and it has been full of learning, enrichment and fun for all of us here at Holy Cross School. It's now time to take a well-earned breather before all the excitement of the Christmas half term!

Next week:

Monday 28 October	Life Bus in School Individual & Family photographs
Tuesday 29 October	Life Bus in School
Wednesday 30 October	Life Bus in School
Thursday 31 October	Year 2 - St Paul's Cathedral Year 4 – Green Man
Friday 1 November	School attending Mass for All Saints

Morning Prayers.

Prayers are held each day in the hall at 8.45am. Everyone is welcome.

Headteacher Awards

The children who were awarded a Headteacher's award this week were:

Sena, Michele, Charlene and Naomi in Year 1 for amazing maths.

Jacob in Year 2 for showing me his outstanding origami-what a clever boy!

Alyssa in Year 2 for expert money knowledge. An accountant of the future!

Marcus in Year 5 for a wonderful story with a twist

Alex in Year 6 for a beautiful World War 2 letter

Well done to these children and to all children who made an extra special effort this week.

Good to Be Green

Congratulations to the children who have been green all half term:

Year 1: Amira-rose, Angela, Annemarija, Benjamin, Caoimhe, Charlene, Chidera, Diamond, Elie-Marie, Emily, Francesca, Gabrielle, Ines, Kayley, Kymia, Marcel, Melanie, Michele, Mikolaj, Naomi, Peace, Poppy, Samuel, Sena, Stefan, Tomilola

Year 2: Alice, Alyssa, Chidimma, Chioma, Chloe B, Chloe D, Ebube, Eilish, Faith, Francis, Gabriel, George, Jacob, Jim, Joyce, Lisa, Lucy, Mateusz, Megan, Neriah, Oriah, Patrick, Sandra, Sean, Tabitha, Tilly, Tobe, Valen, Victor (**WHOLE CLASS!**)

Year 3: Amanda, Ayzsa, Benedict, Chika, Crystal, Dillon, Dylan A, Ebere, Freya, Gabriella, Giacomo, Grace, Gracie, Ifechukwu, Mya, Olivia, Olyana, Phoebe, Roman-Joseph, Savannah, Tiwa, Virginia

Year 4: Michelle, Grace, Stephanie, Muna, Betsy, Somto, Vanessa, Abigail, Gracie, Natalia, Liam, Eva, Oliver, Sidney, Diviyon, Wiktoria and Alicja

Year 5: Ada, Alona, Bossenu, Cameryn, Chioma, Chisom, Christabel, Claire, David, Emmanuelle, Faith, Idowu, Kendra, Kingsley, Lilian, Logan, Lulyana, Marcus, Nate, Paolo, Tania

Year 6: Chinyere, Eyram, Joanna, Edith, Nikola, Chinonye, Kanishta, Alex, Solomon, Angela, Ebube, Fabian, Faye, Weronika, Elisha, Macie, Natalie, Sophia, Nicole

Parents' Evening

We had an overwhelming turnout to our parents' evenings this week. It's wonderful to see you so interested in your children's progress. Thank you all for coming along and a special thank you to the kitchen who provided some very delicious taster dishes for parents to try on Thursday.

Harvest Festival

We enjoyed an inspiring Harvest Festival celebration in Church this afternoon. Thank you for everyone who sent in food for the Jericho Project, which feeds homeless and needy people. It was a wonderful way to finish the half term together.

One Million Kids Praying the Rosary

Thank you to everyone who came along and prayed with the children this morning. I am sure God listens

even more to prayers from a million children!

Fireworks

The Corbett Residents' Association is holding its annual fireworks event on Friday 1 November from 6pm at Abbotshall Healthy Lifestyle Centre. Entry is free. There will be hot food available to purchase, licensed bar, face painting, hook a duck. Coconut shy, fitness taster sessions and more.

Blackheath Fireworks is the biggest free and un-ticketed display in London. This year's event is on Saturday 2 November at 8pm. There will be a funfair from 12 noon and food and drink from 5pm. An organised display is the safest way to watch fireworks and each year Blackheath Fireworks is enjoyed by around 80,000 people. It's a much loved family night out that's been going for over 30 years and donations are welcomed to keep the display going each year

Half Term Homework

Don't forget half term homework - To prepare for the feast of All Saints, I have asked the children to think about a Saint they know about or admire and to represent him or her creatively. It could be through a painting, a model, a story or a poem etc. Please bring them into school on Monday 28 October and they will be proudly displayed.

Message from the O'Hara family

Kieran in year 6 and his family wish to thank the children, staff and parents for their daily prayers, the get well cards and wishes Kieran has received since being at home. Kieran looks forward to being back to school after half term.

Federation Consultation

The consultation period for our becoming a hard Federation with St Augustine's is still in on-going until 11th November. You may email your comments to consultationresponse@holycross.lewisham.sch.uk.

Use of Cutlery

We have noticed that some of our younger children struggle using a knife and fork correctly with a number being unable to use a knife to cut their food. Over the half term could I please encourage you to help your child learn how to use a knife and fork efficiently.

Dinner Money

Dinner money for the next half term will be £92.00. Payment should be made in advance of the meal being taken please.

Car Park

Children are NOT allowed to walk through the car park before or after school even when accompanied by a parent.

Winter Uniform

All children should be wearing winter uniform after half term – this means no summer dresses or shorts. Remember the photographer is in school on Monday 28 October and for family photos (mums, dads or siblings that don't attend schools) you will need to be here at 8:30am.

Have a lovely week off.

Miss Finaldi

Message from Miss Collins:

My goodness me it is half term already! Thank you for another wonderful half term helping, supporting and enjoying our fabulous children. I do hope you all have a lovely half term break. Please remember that we are lucky enough to live in the best city in the world – no bias there at all – and there is so much that we can do with our children without having to pay an entry fee. Below are some suggestions but I am sure you know many more.

Local trips: Beckenham Place Park, Crystal Palace Park, National Maritime Museum.

In central London: Science Museum, National History Museum, British Museum, Tate Modern, National Gallery, Kensington Gardens, Regents Park.

Enjoy the week and have fun spending time and talking with your precious ones.

“The garden of God is full of ripen fruits.” – Lailah Gifty Akita