



## Holy Cross School Newsletter

### Friday 7 February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to see the children learning all about different faiths this week. Year 3 and Nursery shared a Passover meal together and Year 5 made Sikhism board games and played them with Year 1, amongst many other activities. We have also had an exciting week of outings. Year 6 visited the Royal Courts of Justice and Year 4 had a very cultural week visiting the Steve McQueen exhibition at the Tate Britain and attending a piano and soprano recital at St Lawrence Church.

#### Next week:

Monday 10 February	Brass lessons
Tuesday 11 February	
Wednesday 12 February	
Thursday 13 February	All after school clubs cancelled today 6pm Young Voices concert in School
Friday 14 February	<b>Academic Review Day</b>

#### Morning Prayers.

Please join us for morning prayers. It is a wonderful way to start the day. A few minutes of peace and reflection. All welcome.

#### Headteacher's Awards

Paolo, Martin, Faith and Cameryn in Year 5 for making up and performing a sea shanty! If you would like to see it visit our Twitter feed @HolyCrossSE6

Somto in Year 4 for fabulous multiplication

Sean in Year 1 for an amazing improvement in handwriting

Megan in Year 2 for great work about Islam

Vanessa in Year 4 for super arithmetic

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

#### Hot Chocolate Friday

Hot Chocolate Friday will resume after half term.

#### Year 5's Class Mass

Thank you to all the parents who were able to come along and join Year 5 for their Class Mass this morning. It was a beautiful Mass led by Father Antony. The children's singing was beautiful. Thank you to Mrs Ley and Mrs Byrne for preparing them so well.

#### Academic Review

Remember it is our annual Academic Review Day next Friday. Children only come to School with their parents. They are not required to wear school uniform. A crèche will be available. Please ensure you arrive in plenty of time for your appointment as the day is fully booked and we will be unable to accommodate late arrivals.

#### Clubs Thursday 13 February

There will be no after School clubs on Thursday 13 February due to the Holy Cross and St Augustine's choir Young Voices Concert. We are keeping a record of any clubs lost.

#### Cinema Evening

Thank you to our wonderful PTA who organised yet another successful cinema evening raising money to provide extras for our lovely children here at Holy Cross.

#### Lunchtime/Afterschool Clubs and Music Tuition

There is no Art, Cheerleading, Coding or Senior Football next Thursday as we are having a concert with the choirs from Holy and St Augustine's Schools, who will be singing some of the songs from the recent Young Voices Concert.

We also have a few spaces in Active Minds, Craft, Junior Football, KS1 Football, KS1 Spanish and Tennis.

### **Holy Cross School Football Team**

The Holy Cross School football team play two games at the Blackheath football pitches on Saturday. We wish them good luck for the games. We will let you know how they get on next week.

### **Vitality London 10k**

Some members of staff from Holy Cross and St Augustine's will be running this in May! We have three places available if any parents would like them.

£10 a place (they are usually £35).

25th May 2020

The race starts on The Mall and finishes on Spur Road opposite Buckingham Palace. Runners follow a clockwise route around the City of Westminster and the City of London. The course passes many of London's famous sights including Admiralty Arch, Nelson's Column, St Paul's Cathedral, Mansion House, the Bank of England, the Old Bailey, Somerset House, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey.

Full details at <https://www.vitalitylondon10000.co.uk/>

If you would like more information please speak to Mrs Stoneham.

### **Reminder**

The gates open at 8:30 but the School only has legal responsibility for your children from 8:45. Please do not leave them before this time.

### **Reminder – Lost Property**

The lost property bin is full. This will be disposed of at the end of this half term if not claimed.

### **Thank you**

Many thanks for all your kind words of congratulations for my new position. It was not a decision I took lightly and you all know that Holy Cross School has, and will always have, a very special place in my heart.

### **Have a lovely (windy) weekend,**

Miss Finaldi

#### **Message from Miss Collins:**

Another wonderfully busy week draws to a close. The children have enjoyed such a wealth of learning opportunities and some activities that are just simply fun, what lucky children!

We are busily organising our new Governing Body for when we become a new and enlarged group overseeing both schools in our Federation. We are looking to appoint a Parent Governor and after the half term break we will be arranging an election for this essential role. The role would involve you sitting on the Governing Body and joining meetings where we discuss and make decisions on important elements of our School. If you are interested in finding out more and may wish to put yourself forward as a candidate please do come and see me or send an email or note to the School Office for me and I will happily meet with you. Alternatively you could speak with our Chair of Governors, Tara Nelson who would happily answer any questions you may have. Go on, have a go, we're looking for enthusiastic, positive people who are going to help to continue to make our Schools even lovelier!  
Have a good weekend.

*"What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness."* - John Steinbeck