



## Holy Cross School Newsletter

### Friday 11 September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our first full week back at School is complete and I am so proud of our wonderful children and staff. We have taken every precaution in order to keep our community safe and to prevent illness and the need to close our lovely School. I would like to thank you, the supportive and cooperative parents and carers, who have listened to our request for you to wear face coverings when coming onto the School site. This protects both you and staff and shows true respect and community spirit.

#### **Head Girl and Head Boy**

I am delighted to inform you that our Head Girl for this term is Claire and our Head Boy is Marcus. Congratulations to them both. I know they will be super ambassadors for our School.

#### **Home School Agreement**

Our Home School Agreement explained that children with symptoms of Covid 19 need to isolate. It also suggested that other children in the class would need to isolate. To clarify, children with symptoms of Covid19 are required to stay at home to prevent the spread of the virus. If they receive a positive test for Covid19 parents and carers must tell the School immediately and we would then work with Public Health on the course of action for our School in relation to other children or year groups needing to isolate.

#### **School books**

As the School closed to most pupils in March we sent home reading books to help with home schooling. We now ask that these books are all returned as soon as possible. Our book stores are currently depleted! Thank you.

#### **Meet The Teacher**

Usually at this time of the year we would be arranging a Meet The Teacher event however in the current climate this is not possible. Our wonderful teaching staff have instead written to all of you to introduce themselves and explain what your lucky child will be enjoying this term in School. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to support your child and enjoy learning together. We will email these out today, please do read the email with your child over the weekend.

#### **Parent Governor**

Last academic year we asked people to put themselves forward for the role of Parent Governor. This is a very important role within our School and involves half termly meetings where discussions about School issues take place. If you are interested in this post we ask that you write a manifesto, a brief description of who you are and which skills you would bring to the role, and send it into Mrs Wilson in the School Office at [jwilson52.209@lgflmail.org](mailto:jwilson52.209@lgflmail.org) If you may be interested but have some questions please do not hesitate to get in touch. If you previously wrote a manifesto please let us know if you are still interested in the role and either resubmit your last manifesto or write a new one and send it in. Thank you in advance for your support and dedication to our School.

#### **School Dinner Money**

Thank you to those parents who have paid promptly. Please make payment using our new cashless system and not any other payment method. If you have lost your log in details please let the school office staff know and they will help you. Please remember that the meal choice must remain the same for the whole half term.

#### **Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline**

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline is available to answer questions about coronavirus (COVID-19) relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling: Phone: 0800 046 8687. Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm

#### **Daily Worship**

Due to current restrictions on large gatherings we are unable to hold morning rosary and whole school assemblies. Please be assured that each class enjoys their own prayer time in class each day and offers prayers for our School community and the wider world during this difficult period.

### **Music Lessons**

If you have not already done so, please return the slip or send a note to Mrs Slattery on Monday if your child wishes to continue with their music lesson.

### **Jeans for Genes**

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September we will be celebrating Jeans for Genes day. This is a wonderful charity that Holy Cross School has supported for many years. On Jeans for Genes day children are allowed to their own clothes, ideally including jeans, to School in return for a donation to the charity. A suggested donation is £1 per family.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Collins

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*“We need joy as we need air, we need love as we need water”* – Maya Angelou

**Marcus and Claire – our Head Boy and Girl**

