



Holy Cross School Newsletter Friday 2 July 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

On the week we have all cheered England on in the Euros we have had a fantastic week in School too, the children have loved Sports Week! There have been so many different activities and exciting sessions for them all to enjoy. I know we would have all loved to have our usual Sports Day but I am sure you will agree that Sports Week has been a fabulous replacement. My enormous thanks to Mrs Stoneham for all her organisation, it is a mammoth task to organise a whole school event and she has done so whilst conducting excellent online learning for her own class. Feet up now Mrs Stoneham!

Headteacher Awards

Joseph in Nursery for his kindness to another child, how wonderful to see.

Jasmine in Year 1 for her wonderful model of a space rocket and her incredible knowledge of the mission of Michael Collins, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin.

Emmanuella in Year 1 for her wonderful writing.

Zachary in Year 1 for his great determination during Sports Week.

Congratulations to them all!

Chocolate Superstars!

Each week class teachers and support staff think about all the children in their class and the effort they have made during the week. One child per class is chosen to receive a delicious bar of chocolate to enjoy as a celebration of going above and beyond what is expected of them. This week's wonderful children are:

Year 1: Asbon

Year 2: Charlene

Year 3: Tilly

Year 4: Freya

Year 5: Wiktorina

Year 6: Elliot

Well done to all of them!

Staff Updates

I am delighted to let you know that Mr Foster will become our Assistant Headteacher from September. He will help to drive our School forward with his wealth of talents. We are so blessed at Holy Cross to have so many fabulous staff and we are delighted to watch their careers blossom.

At the end of this term we will be saying farewell to two of our lovely colleagues. Miss Nola, our wonderful Nursery teacher is leaving us for new adventures. Miss Nola came to us in 2017 and has made a tremendous difference to our School – she always has a smile on her face no matter how demanding the day may have been. Mrs Watmore has decided to retire after 32 years of fabulous service. Mrs Watmore has been a very positive influence and role model on several generations of Holy Cross children. Words cannot adequately express the gratitude we owe Mrs Watmore for her loyalty and long service. On the last day of term we will be wishing them joy and happiness for the future.

Sports Week

As mentioned previously we have all enjoyed Sports Week this week. Please ask your children to tell you about all the fun they had. I am sure that the first thing they all remember will be the ice

cream they all enjoyed from the ice cream van this afternoon but there was a lot of sport involved first!

Ice Pops

Our wonderful School Council have arranged to sell ice pops after school each day next week in order to raise money for playground equipment for our children. Ice pops will be sold at both gates to the School and will all be 50p or less. Please do support our wonderful children, this worthwhile cause and enjoy an ice pop at the same time!

Reception Class

Our Reception Class children have been at home all week isolating. They have enjoyed online learning as we did during the lockdown. Mrs Mahony and Mrs Stoneham both agree that the children have been brilliant and they also wanted to thank the amazing parents and carers for their support. We cannot wait to have our Reception children back in School again on Monday.

School Report Collection

As you know, our usual practice is not to send school reports home with the children but to invite parents and carers into School to collect them. Due to Covid19 restrictions we cannot have this arrangement. After careful consideration it has been decided to place the children's reports in their school bags on Friday 16 July so please remember to check their bags for the report.

Uniform Rules

Please remember that shoulder length hair and longer must be tied back with a band and no jewellery including earrings, bracelets, necklaces (including cross and chains) and rings are to be worn. A wrist watch is acceptable.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend, will football still be coming home after Saturday night? Fingers crossed! It is so lovely to feel the excitement of the children and also to have them enthused by the national team being led by an honourable and admirable man.

Miss Collins

"For me, sometimes it's more important to perform well in training and know that I am improving rather than scoring in a game. It's doing the hard work, day in, day out" – Marcus Rashford