



# Holy Family School Newsletter - 19

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018

*With Christ at the centre, we live, love and learn together, reaching out to all. Together, with Jesus, we can do it!*



Website: [www.holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk](http://www.holyfamilyhalewood.org.uk) Twitter: @HFHalewood Parent App: Download 'Holy Family' from App store

### CLC VISIT Y2O'N

Alan Ellis from Knowsley CLC spent the day with Y2O'N on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February. The children (and Miss O'Neill) had a fantastic time designing their very own robot games!

### SAFEGUARDING WEEK

Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> February is 'Safeguarding Week.' The children will be discussing stranger danger and social media use. The 6<sup>th</sup> February is 'Internet Safety Day' day where the children will be learning how to safely access the internet. Can we please ask you to speak to your children about stranger danger and keeping safe in the busy world that we live in.

### CHINESE NEW YEAR

We will be celebrating Chinese New Year next Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February as we are closed for half term on the actual day of 16<sup>th</sup> February.

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February the children in Foundation Stage can come into school wearing something red to celebrate e.g red top/jumper, red socks, red hair band etc. The children will be given the opportunity to taste different chinese food such as rice, spring rolls, sweet and sour chicken, prawn crackers etc in our Chinese restaurant. If your child would like to bring in some chinese food/chopsticks to share with other children it would be appreciated.

**It is important to let a member of Foundation Stage staff know if your child has allergies.**

## CHINESE NEW YEAR

at [pppst.com](http://pppst.com)



### CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

All families have the opportunity to purchase their child's class photograph and information has been sent out this week. Please return your orders by Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Lots of parents asked if we could offer the opportunity to purchase class photos each year and we are glad to provide you with this option.

### ATTENDANCE NEWS

No class had 100% attendance this week!  
Attendance for this week from the 29<sup>th</sup> Jan to 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb is as follows:

Class	% score	Rating
Mrs Rigby (5/6R)	98.8%	Green
Miss Barr (5/6B)	99.2%	Green
Mrs Suhail (5S)	98.6%	Green
Mrs Macaulay (3/4MAC)	96%	Yellow
Mrs Davey (3/4D)	96.7%	Yellow
Ms Monaghan (3M)	96.2%	Yellow
Ms O'Neill (2ON)	95.8%	Yellow
Ms Jones (1/2J)	96.6%	Yellow
Ms Wiggins (1W)	97.6%	Green
Ms Donohue (Rec D)	81%	Red
Mr Hornby (Rec H)	83%	Red

**Green** - 97% and above

**Yellow** - 94% and above

**Red** - 93.9% and below

Please remember that it is 'good to be green'.

Don't forget about our rewards system for classes achieving 100% each week.

**Week 1** - 100% attendance - Winning classes will be awarded with our 'Feel Good Friday' extra playtime.

**Week 2** - 100% attendance - Winning classes will be awarded with play but also a treat.

**Week 3** - 100% attendance - Winning classes will be awarded with all of the above plus a pizza party.

### SIGNING CHILDREN OUT

Can we please remind all parents that when children have early appointments they cannot be signed out until 8.55a.m. in order to receive their morning mark.

## THE VALUE OF RESPECT

We are going to be placing a big focus on the core value of **RESPECT** throughout the spring term. We will be looking out for the times when respect is being showcased in our school community. Mr Quigley has spoken to all the children and staff about this really important value. We are proud of our children and our school but sometimes some children's behaviour may slip and attitudes change for a short period.

In school, we will be looking out for lots of opportunities where respect can be showcased. We will be posing some of these questions to our children:

How do children speak to each other and look after each other? Are children using manners, being polite and courteous? Are we respecting the school building, property and belongings? Are we showing respect to the adults who look after us in school and at home?

Perhaps you could speak with your child over the weekend and beyond about what respect means to you as a family.

---

## ONLY THE BEST IS GOOD ENOUGH - FAMILY PROJECT

As you will know, Mr Quigley's vision as Headteacher of our school is clear - '**Only the best is good enough**'. We have decided to organise a family project that can take place over the half term and beyond. We are inviting families to showcase this motto using your artistic and/or design and technology skills using the theme of '**Only the best is good enough**' at **Holy Family Catholic Primary School**. What does this motto mean to you and how is this lived out in our school community? What advice or message would you give using this motto? We are hoping to display the best concepts and ideas around the school. Your project could be a poster, collage, 3d sculpture of the motto, wooden sculpture, an ornament, motivational images, paper mache, etc - anything that will sit proudly on display in our school for others to see and respond to. Let your imagination run wild. It is hoped that when any visitor comes to school they will know that we want the best for every child in our school and the children must be the best they can be in all that they say and do. We are looking forward to seeing what the children produce and what will appear on our corridors after half term. Let the competition begin - who is going to be the best?

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS



The extra-curricular clubs for this term are as follows:

**Monday** - Dance - Y3 to Y5

**Monday** - SATS Booster - Y6

**Monday** - Reading/Writing Workshop - Reception

**Tuesday** - Lego Club - Reception

**Tuesday** - Netball - Same children as last term

**Tuesday** - Wellbeing Club - Yrs 3-6

**Wednesday** - Multiskills - Y1 & Y2 - New children this term

**Thursday** - Basketball - Yrs 3-6

**Thursday** - Choir - Same children as last term

**Thursday** - Phonics - Yr1

**All clubs finish at 4.15p.m.**

---

## SAFEGUARDING

Can we please ask all parents to keep school informed of how your child is to go home from school. If your child is to walk home alone after school we will require a letter from you to keep on your child's file. If possible please do not allow your child to walk home alone, ask them to walk in groups or with another adult known to them.

---

## CURRICULUM TOPICS

We had a request from a parent asking what topics the children complete throughout the year as her child never tells her. Just a reminder that a copy of all the curriculum overviews and timetables for each class for the whole academic year are on the school website and if you are ever unsure, you can always log on and find the information there. This saves us having to print out huge amounts of documents to send home. The website is populated with lots of information on a variety of things and is always a great source for any information that you may need.

---

## WRITING FOCUS ACROSS THE SCHOOL

We were delighted to hear of the hard work the children have been completing with regards to writing this week. So many children received a certificate this morning and benefited from the 'Best in the House' or 'Golden Table'. This is a great focus for us this year in school, in particularly boys writing.

Keep it up!

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017/2018

5 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	All week	Week dedicated to Safeguarding children
7 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	—	School photographs to be returned to school.
9 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	-	Chinese New Year celebration (16 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2018 - although we are off)

### 'HOLY FAMILY' SCHOOL PRAYER

Dear Lord,  
This is our school.  
May peace be here.  
May love be all around us.



Love of one another, love of mankind, love of life itself and the love of God.  
Let us remember that as many hands build a house so many hearts make a school.  
At Holy Family we live, love and learn together and reach out to all.  
Amen.