# HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Monday, 29th April 2024

Dear Parents of St Francis of Assisi and St Lucy Classes

## **Summer Term Curriculum Letter**

We hope that the children have settled back into EYFS after Easter and welcome to any new children that have joined us. Please could we remind you to check your child's bag daily for letters or notes from school. Also, please ensure that your mobile and email details are up to date with the school office as the majority of information is sent via these methods. It is extremely important that you carefully read all correspondence and make note of any important dates that are upcoming.

## Our topics this term:

Both St. Lucy and St. Francis classes will be following the same topics this term; 'Near and Far' and 'Fantasy'. The children will be learning about countries far away and stories such as Handa's Surprise, and then looking at things near us, our local area and the people around us who help us. We then will have stories about fantasy and stories that will use our imagination.

#### Activities to do at home:

- Always read story books and spend time talking about what has happened in the story.
- Go on local walks in the area. What is near your house? Who helps you?
- Look at countries the children have visited, or family is from. How far away are they? How would they get there? What does the country look like?

#### **Useful links:**

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/3-5-years/counting

https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/

https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths (Reception children )

**Lunchtimes:** The children work hard during their time at school and a healthy substantial lunch is extremely important in ensuring that they are ready to learn in the afternoons. If you choose to supply your child with a packed lunch, please give your children a healthy lunch box. Please do not overwhelm your child with too much food. Children are also provided with a piece of fruit for snack time which comes from the local council's '5-a-day scheme', a free service. The children are also given the option of milk during the day.

**Water:** Water is readily available for all children. Please send your child into school with a water bottle every day. Please ensure that the bottle is clearly labelled. **Please only provide water.** 

















**Uniform:** Reception and Nursery: A reminder that summer uniform is now optional for the children. The summer uniform is **not summer dresses or grey shorts**, it is now jersey shorts, along with trainers with no laces. The children can still wear jogging bottoms if they wish.

The uniform policy changed for this year and can be found on the website or using the link below. but they should still be in trainers with no laces.

https://www.holycrossprimary.com/uniform/

For health and safety reasons, children may only wear small stud earrings and no other jewellery. **Spare Uniform**: **Please ensure that your child has spare uniform in school**. Accidents DO and WILL happen and if your child has spare uniform, we will not need to disturb you to bring spare clothes for them. Spare clothes should consist of a full uniform along with underwear, vest and socks. (Nursery can be any change of clothes)

**Coats:** Please ensure that your child has their coat with them every day. The weather is extremely changeable, and the children need to keep warm – this can be a light jacket now we have got to summer.



# PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM ARE APPROPRIATELY LABELLED. WE CANNOT HELP YOU TO FIND MISSING ITEMS IF THEY ARE NOT LABELLED CLEARLY.

#### **Parental Involvement:**

We will be continuing to focus on different children this term, and we ask that you continue to fill in the sheets when it's your child focus week. Also keep your eyes out for messages regarding sports day, Reception graduation and Nursery stay and play this term.

If your child is coming to Reception, please keep dates in your diary for any meetings etc that you need to attend.

Thank you for all your continued support this year.

Please do not hesitate to see us with any questions that you may have.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Hodson and all the Early Years Teaching Staffing















