

# Holy Family News

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you are all safe and well. Thank you again for your patience in these difficult times. It has been a pleasure to welcome back 10 of our Year 6 pupils. They have settled well into school and adapted to the new routines. Our numbers are slowly increasing and we are currently looking at how we can enable more children to access school before the Summer holidays. This week we aim to establish which children will be accessing a school place starting next week under the government guidance. Following this we will be able to decide whether or not we have the capacity to extend the wider opening of school to Year 1.

In the meantime, our aim is to support your child through home learning. We have noticed a significant decline in home learning since half term and we are keen to improve this but will need your help! The work which will be set for the next 4 weeks will be based around the non negotiables for your child's year. Non negotiables are key skills that your child will need to help them with their learning in their next class and will include reading, writing and maths.

Below you will find information from your child's class teacher about the work that will be set. If you are struggling with online learning we can provide paper packs to be collected from school.

If you do need any help or support please contact school by phone, 0161 770 2400, or you email us:

[support@holyfamily.oldham.sch.uk](mailto:support@holyfamily.oldham.sch.uk).

Please stay safe

Mrs Booth.

## Transition:



As you are probably aware, the government have announced that all children will be back in school from September. Moving to a new class can be a worrying time for some children and usually we are able to spend time with the children preparing them for this move. This year our transition work will have to be slightly different due to COVID19.

We are hoping to arrange virtual class meetings where your child will be able to meet their new teacher and talk about their return to school in September. Once your child has met their new classteacher, work around transition will be set and transition booklets sent home.

More information will follow.



## Year 3: Mrs O'Brien and Mrs Hinchliffe

### Maths

This week we are finishing our Maths Mystery Quest, which has recapped our fractions work including tenths. A huge well done to all our noble lords and ladies who have solved the clues so far!

The quizzes on Purple Mash are helping us to recap our times tables and adding and subtracting skills. These are on each week and repeating them will help to build fluency.

### Reading

Our reading activities are on Purple Mash each day, where we read the next chapter of our book and complete quizzes and activities. This is helping to recap many reading key skills, including answering inference and deduction questions and commenting on characters.

### Writing

Writing challenges are set on Google Classroom each day. These are based mostly on a picture and will focus on using conjunctions, adjectives and adverbs well.



### Spelling and Handwriting

**Monday** is our spelling and handwriting day - a letter and joins is posted on Google classroom. Weekly spellings are also posted, and the quiz to test them will be on Purple Mash on Friday.

**Remember - little and often works best for spelling and handwriting. 10 or 15 minutes each day can make a huge difference to remembering spellings and joining handwriting fluently.**