

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@hollyfamily.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.



Reception

During the next few weeks our home learning will have a focus on the non-negotiable elements of the Reception curriculum to help your child with transition to Year 1 as smoothly as possible. As always work will be set on Class Dojo and Twitter, though please let school know if you will need an additional paper pack, these can be provided, but will need to be collected.

The focus activities planned and shared on our online learning platforms will cover at least one, but in some cases several of the elements, so please try to carry out the activities the best you can.

It is important that you engage when you can, as this will be key in helping your child with their learning going forward. We will provide a mixture of games, practical and more paper based formal activities to best suit your child's needs and hopefully provide some fun along the way! As always photos and videos are very welcome and well received!

Communication and Language

Children listen attentively in a range of situations.

They listen to stories.

They answer 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events.

Reading Distinguishes one sound from another. Recognises familiar words in their reading books. Enjoys rhyming and rhythmic activities Shows awareness of rhyme and alliteration.

Physical

Show good control and coordination in large and small movements.

They move confidently in a range of ways, safely negotiating space.

They handle equipment and tools effectively, including pencils for writing.

Maths

Count reliably with numbers 1 to 20.

Place them in order and say which number is one more or one less than a given number.

Using quantities and objects, to add two single digit numbers

Writing

Write own name. Correct letter formation.

Write labels & captions Begin to form simple sentences.