



Holy Family News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately, we have recently had a small but significant number of parents arguing in front of children when they collect their child from school. This is causing distress to our parents, staff but most concerning our pupils and I'm sure that you will agree that this is not acceptable. As always, your children will remain our priority. Please can all parents keep any disputes away from the playground and the children. The children have had a very difficult 12 months due to lockdown and the worry of COVID, they need your support more than ever. We are more than happy to listen to the concerns of any parent around this issue and support you as best we can, but we will not tolerate any form of aggressive behaviour. Such behaviour may result in the parent being banned from the school grounds. Sadly, WhatsApp groups appear to be causing many of the problems. Please read carefully the information below regarding this app. The best way to protect your child is to adhere to the guidelines. WhatsApp is for children over the age of 16 in the UK.

On a more positive note the children had a great return to school and are working extremely hard.

We had the grand opening of our school kitchen which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. A buffet style meal was served as requested by the children. This week we will be voting on a name for our kitchen and dining area. I would like to thank the school council for helping and seeking the views of the children.

We have had our annual Easter Garden and Easter Bonnet competition. The children's creations have been amazing! It was very difficult for Mrs Grimshaw to judge. Photos of all entrants will be tweeted on Twitter and photos put on our website.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Enjoy the sunshine!

Stay Safe Mrs Booth.

WhatsApp

Please can all parents read the information [here](#). Please monitor your child's phone regularly. Your child's mental health and well being is important. Children of a primary school age can find it very difficult to regulate their emotions – they are still learning to do this and need your help. What may seem funny to one child can be extremely damaging to another.



Covid19:

Please remember:

If your child has COVID symptoms: a cough, high temperature or loss of taste or smell they MUST get a PCR COVID test. The Lateral Flow Tests (results in 30 mins) are only for use on people who have no symptoms (asymptomatic).

We would encourage families to use the Lateral Flow Tests as outlined in the guidance [here](#).



PLEASE REMEMBER WE CAN PROVIDE FOOD PARCELS FOR FAMILIES WHO MAY NEED A LITTLE EXTRA HELP.

This is a very difficult time for many people. If you require a little help you can contact school on support@holyfamily.oldham.sch.uk We are very lucky to have links with Breaking The Waves Foundation who are supplying the parcels.

be kind; for everyone is fighting a hard battle

We live,
learn
and love
in His
way.