Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a lovely Summer holiday. The children have had a fantastic week. They have settled back into their new classes and the school routine beautifully. A very warm welcome to our new children and families who have joined the school, I am sure your child will be very happy here. Our new nursery children have been fantastic, they are so grown up! If you do have any worries or concerns, please speak to your child's class teacher and we will do our best to help.

Your children look very smart in their school uniforms, thank you, it really does help to give the children a sense of belonging. We still have some uniform available for anyone who may need it at the front of school. Please could you ensure that your child has the correct PE kit on for PE, this is a **pale blue T-shirt and burgundy shorts**. As the weather becomes colder, children can wear, **plain black or grey jogging pants** along with their school jumper. It is important that the children have the correct uniform for PE, if anyone is struggling to purchase this, please let myself or a member of staff know. Good habits now, will prepare them well for secondary school. Thank you for your support with this.

On Monday next week, your child's class teacher will be sending out information regarding PE, homework and the subjects/topics they will be learning about this half term. Staff have been working very hard and with the help of an educational consultant and have planned a new curriculum which we know your child will enjoy!

As always you can contact school at support@holyfamily.oldham.sch.uk . We are looking forward to

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working with you all this year. Mrs Tunnicliffe

Pick up times:

To ease congestion at the end of the day, please can children be collected at the following times

EYFS; 3.20pm KS1 3.25pm

KS2 3.30pm

School environment:

Through funding from the Emmaus Trust, significant improvements have been made to the school learning environment during the Summer holidays. We have had new flooring and decoration in the corridors throughout the school, in Year 3 classroom and our entrance has been decorated and improved. We love our Blue Sky! Following a flood in nursery, work is now underway to repair the damage that was caused. This will include; new floor, decorating, new furniture and toys and a new interactive whiteboard. We are hopeful that this room will be ready in the next 2-3 weeks.

Nuts Allergies:

We have an increasing number of pupils with severe allergies. To help us to keep these children safe, we are unable to allow nuts in packed lunches or birthday treats to be sent into school. Our school cook can provide a birthday cake for the cost of £5 as an alternative. Our cook will prepare this following the guidelines to avoid any allergic reactions. Thank you for continued support with this

matter.

Uniform

Please click <u>here</u> for information regarding the school uniform.



We are very excited that we will be starting a new phonics and reading programme this year. We have selected Little Wandle as it has been proven to have outstanding results. This does however mean that we will be changing the way we send home, home reading books. More information for this will follow soon!