

29th May 2024

## Dear Parents and Carers,

After a very busy term we have finally reached the half term holidays and a well earned rest for everyone! I have to give a special mention to Year 6 and Year 2. Year 6 completed their SATS during our Royalty Week, (created by Mrs Hall, known across the UK as SATS Week) where the children work exceptionally hard and are treated like royalty. The children were a credit to you. They displayed great resilience as they worked through some very tricky papers. We are so proud for the mature and determined young people they have become. During the last week of term Year 2 have been completing their optional SATS and have also shown great resilience. Miss Makin is very proud of them as am I! Well done Year 2. The staff and I would like to thank you for your unwavering support and wish you all a very happy and restful half term holiday. Fingers crossed the sun starts to shine again!

Please take the time to read the newsletter carefully, there is some important information for Year 4 and Year 1 parents.

School reopens on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs. A Tunnicliffe

### **Sporting Achievements**

A few weeks ago a group of Year 3 and Year 4 children took part in a basketball competition at the Ball Hall. They played exceptionally well and came second bringing home a trophy!!

This week a group of Year 5 and Year 6 children participated for the first time in a netball tournament. They thoroughly enjoyed the competition and it was magical to see the sheer joy on their faces when they scored!! Well done netballers you should be very proud of your performance.

Both teams showed great sportsmanship.

### <u>Viking Day</u>

Year 4 had a Viking visitor to support their learning about the Vikings. They learnt about the Viking invasion, subsequent settlements and had the opportunity to handle historical artefacts. The day ended with a Viking and Anglo Saxon battle, which was enjoyed by all!

### Year 5 Enterprise

This year, Year 5 will be participating in the Fiver Challenge with other schools from the Emmaus Trust. This programme is a fun way to develop enterprise and financial skills whilst building confidence and promoting teamwork. Mr Carey and Year 5 will be releasing more information after half term.

#### Pupil Chaplains

Our pupil chaplains continue to do amazing job in leading prayer and liturgy. Thank you to Father Celestine for leading the Rosary for us.

### <u>Upcoming trips / experiences</u>

20<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 Castleshaw 17<sup>th</sup> June - YI trip to Dunham Massey 27<sup>th</sup> June - Y6 trip to Gulliver's world 4<sup>th</sup> July - EYFS trip to Blackpool zoo 4<sup>th</sup> July - Year 5 Emmaus Business Challenge. PLEASE REMEMBER TO PAY VIA THE SCHOOL APP.

#### Year 6 Dates

26<sup>th</sup> June CFOS (Catholic Federation of Oldham Schools) Year 6 Leavers Mass. 27<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 trip to Gulliver's world 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July Transition Dates 11<sup>th</sup> July Emmaus Year 6 Celebration. 16<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Performance 19<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Leavers Assembly.

### Year 4 Mulitplication Checks

When we return after half term, the Year 4 children will be completing their multiplication times tables check. Mr Cooper has been working hard to prepare the children for this task. Please continue to encourage your child to practice their times tables. Please click <u>here</u> for more information.

## Year 1 Phonics Checks

After half term Year 1 will be completing their Phonic checks. They have been working extremely hard practising to decode words using their phonic knowledge. Please help your child to practise this over the half term holiday.

# Summer Holiday HAF Scheme at Holy Family

During the 6 week holiday Soccer Stars will be running Holiday Activities and Food here at Holy Family. More information will be released soon.