

# 24th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well we have had a busy start to the term! Our children are working hard and excitement fills every classroom! A warm welcome to our new families who have joined the school this term, we hope you will be very happy here at Holy Family. We're delighted to introduce Mrs. McKer, our new school administrator, who joined our team at the start of the term. We're also looking forward to welcoming Miss McLaughlin back to Year 1 following the birth of her daughter at the beginning of February. Our school community continues to grow and learn together, it is wonderful to see how much our children love to learn!

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Tunnicliffe

### **Robin Wood**

Year 5 and Year 6 children have just returned from their Robin Wood residential. A fantastic time was had by all! The children challenged themselves with activities such as canoeing, archery and rock climbing, it was great to see everyone having a go and stepping outside their comfort zone! Their behaviour was outstanding and they displayed excellent listening and teamwork skills. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Hall, Mrs Fox, Mrs Rose and Mr Ward who gave up their time to make this trip possible. Thank you also to Mrs Grimshaw for organising the trip. Information will be coming out soon about next year's residential. Watch this space!

Our **Mini Police** have had the privilege of being part of Operation Avro at the start of the term. They worked alongside the Mini Police from Beever Primary School and were taught about the impact of knife crime and anti-social behaviour. The children are taking their roles very seriously and are enjoying supporting and helping the younger children when on dinnertime patrol.

Last week, Year 2 and Year 3 enjoyed an outstanding performance from Oldham Theatre Workshop "The Toy Makers." The performance included muscians, singing and story telling, the children were mesmerised! Thank you to Oldham Theatre Workshop for providing this free performance for our children, it was fabulous and enjoyed by all!!

Last week, Reception participated in bikeability. This taught the pupils how to keep safe when riding a bike in a practical way using balance bikes. The pupils enjoyed the sessions and learnt a lot!

### **Fire Ground Museum**

Year 2 had a fabulous trip to the Fire Ground Museum. They enjoyed exploring the old fire engines, trying on uniforms and sliding down the fire pole! They used a water squirt and fire hooks which were used to pull houses down to make a fire break. The staff at the museum were very impressed by the children's knowledge of the Great Fire of London, please encourage the children to tell you about their learning!

## **Parent View**

I would be grateful if you would complete our parent questionnaire. Your views are important to us and help us to improve further. Please click here to complete our parent questionnaire.



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School Mass will be celebrated by Father Celestine on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February.

# **Dates for your Diary!**

4<sup>th</sup> February – Dodge Ball Team. 5<sup>th</sup> February – Football Match

12<sup>th</sup> February – Multi-skills team KS1