

There is no respect for others without humility in one's self.

NEWSLETTER

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'A child helped by another child is like a strong city'

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Dear Parents,

Deputy Headteacher

We are delighted to share the news that the governing body appointed Miss Murphy to the post of Deputy Headteacher last week. We are very confident that this is a very strong appointment for the school, and those of you who know Miss Murphy as a teacher can vouch for her unstinting hard work; her excellent relationships with the children, and her drive to make school a successful place for all of the children, no matter their starting points. I am sure you join us in congratulating her on this wonderful achievement.

Covid Aware

Please be vigilant about new and continuous coughs; high temperatures and loss of smell or taste, and take the necessary actions. Whilst there is a lot of non Covid illness around, we want to continue to be alert for signs of infection, and to try our best to reduce spread, and keep school open. You may be aware that other local schools are having to revert to bubbles and remote learning for some groups of children. We are trying to manage day to day school life so as to minimise disruption to learning due to spread of infection. Attendance at school is crucial – unless children are sick or there are truly unavoidable reasons for absence. We are very grateful to those parents who show full respect for our attendance policy. That same respect and sense of reliability is being taught to the children.

School Events

It was so lovely to welcome a large group of parents to the Coffee morning last Friday, to meet and mingle and see our Place2Be colleagues face to face. Parents asked about our plans for this year's Nativity. We shall confirm arrangements after half term, but we are aiming to stage a Nativity to which parents will be invited – Covid allowing.



Parents of Children in Year 3 - Date for your Diary – 2pm on Monday 22nd November in School

As a celebration of the children's singing project led by Ania and Scott from Wandsworth Music, we shall stage a little concert for parents on Monday 22nd November at 2pm – more details to follow. Please note the date.

Parents Using Proper Channels of Communication

It has been brought to our attention that parents are sometimes making calls or speaking to other parents to resolve issues that are occurring in school. We appeal to you please to let school deal with any matters arising for children. We all have a common duty to safeguard children, and this can be undermined by parents having conversations without the teachers' knowledge. It can also be very upsetting for parents on the receiving end. The school will often hold much more detail than might be apparent, and always seeks to work transparently with you. Please help us in this regard by channelling any concerns you have through us.

Socially Distanced Parents' Consultation – Friday 3rd December

Please sign up for a parents' consultation meeting on Friday 3rd December. This is your opportunity to share your views about the strengths of our school, and how you would like it to develop further in the next couple of years. Depending on how the Covid situation plays out, we would aim to do this in person, but will use Zoom, if face to face is not possible. Please send your name to office@holyghost.wandsworth.sch.uk saying "I can attend the Parents' Consultation meeting on Friday 3rd December". Thank you.

Thank you

Thank you for all you have done to support us this term. It certainly has been a huge community effort, where we have all had to modify our expectations, and work round restrictions, but have done so with a smile, and a helping hand for others. We are very grateful to you. Our children are gaining much from the "can do" spirit.

Have a really good break. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 2nd November. We wish you all a happy, fun-packed half term.

Best wishes,

Susan Lawless & team.

HOLY GHOST PRIMARY - SCHOOL DATES

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
NOVEMBER				
1 st November INSET DAY	2 nd November Children return to school	3 rd November Y4 Trumpet	4 th November Last Y6 swimming	5 th November Multi Faith Day P2B
8 th November P2B	9 th November 1.15pm - Open Day	10 th November Y4 Trumpet Parents Evenings	11 th November Y5 Swimming Parents Evening	12 th November P2B
15 th November Anti-Bullying week P2B	16 th November	17 th November Y4 Trumpet	18 th November Y5 Swimming Y3/4 Interplanet Netball	19 th November P2B Y5/6 Interplanet Netball
22 nd November Y3 Singing Project Concert P2B	23 rd November	24 th November Y4 Trumpet	25 th November Y5 Swimming	26 th November P2B Advent Mass
29 th November P2B	30 th November			
NOVEMBER				
	30 th November	1 st December Y4 Trumpet	2 nd December Y5 Swimming	3 rd December P2B Parents Consultation
6 th December P2B	7 th December	8 th December	9 th December	10 th December Multi Faith Day
13 th December P2B	14 th December	15 th December Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day	16 th December	17 th December END OF TERM

2022	
Date	Event
JANUARY	
4 th January	INSET Day
5 th January	Children return to school
FEBRUARY	
11 th February	Half Term
21 st February	Inset Day
22 nd February	Children Return to School

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