

Holy Family Herald

Newsletter

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School day: 8.55am – 1.35pm/2.35pm

Welcome to our Newsletter

Dear Parent,

As this is our first newsletter of the new school year I would like to extend a warm welcome to the parents and pupils on behalf of the teachers and staff of the school. I would also like to take the opportunity to give special mention to our new pupils in Horizons 1, Early Start and Junior Infants.

This school year is a special year of celebration for the school as it marks the 50th year that the school has been in operation. Throughout the year we will be remembering and celebrating the achievements of years' past, more details on this to follow. Over the summer months Horizons, ASD classes, were completed, with the addition of an activity room and a sensory room, and we are now at full enrolment in Horizons. We hope to mark the completion of Horizons with an official opening later in the year. Finally, I would personally like to wish every member of the school community success in the year ahead. Tús maith, leath na hoibre! (A good start is half the work!)

Daniel Kirwan



We will be introducing a Healthy Eating Policy in the near future. In the meantime we encourage all children to eat healthily.

School Meal Scheme:

Children who have chosen their lunches through the school meal scheme will receive their chosen order on Monday, September 26th. Each child will be issued with a username and password should they wish to change their lunch. We recommend parents take note of their child's username and password as these will not be held at the school.

Uniforms/Tracksuits

Full uniforms are to be worn at all times. Tracksuits can ONLY be worn on PE days. There is an exception for Junior Infants they may wear their tracksuits on any given day.

I'M ONTIME AND IN MY LINE!

A great effort has been made by the children to be on time in their line. We hope children continue to arrive for 8.55am.

Some important dates:

Non Uniform Day:

Friday, September 30th. €2 per child

This is a fundraiser for the Parents Association to raise funds for the children's Halloween Party.

Thursday, October 6th: School Mass in the hall at 11am. All welcome. Grandparents in particular are very welcome. We will mark the beginning of the 50th anniversary.

Tuesday, November 29th: School closed for Teachers Inservice.

Don't forget to check out school website on www.holyfamilyschool.ie for weekly updates.

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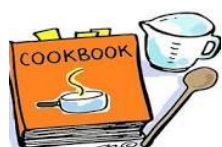
Website: www.holyfamilyschool.ie

Holy Family School Garden

Our Holy Family Parents' Gardening Club has done a fantastic job with the garden and we would like to keep this momentum going and develop our beautiful garden further. The children love visiting and planting in the garden but we need your help! We have **free Gardening classes** starting on Monday, October 3rd from 9.15am-11.15am, please come along and give us a 'dig out' to maintain this wonderful resource for our school.



A ten week Craft & Needlework class starts Thursday, September 29th in the Parents' Room from 9.30am -11.30am. Cost €2 per week.



A ten week Healthy Cooking Class starts Tuesday, September 27th in the Cookery Room in St. Joseph's NS Tivoli Rd., from 9.15am-11.15am. Cost €2 per week

For more information on any course contact Niamh Donnelly (HSCL) on 0871424248



Farm Supplies

The school shop has been re- launched!! It is open every Thursday from 12.45 Prices are very competitive!

SAFETY NOTICE:

THE SCHOOL CAR PARK IS FOR STAFF ONLY. For the safety of your children, parents are asked not to drive into or park on school grounds.

Please keep the school gates on both sides of the school closed at all times. Please ensure you close the gate after you upon entering and exiting the school.

Parents are kindly asked NOT to bring dogs onto the school grounds at any time.

LINE REMINDER:

We ask parents not to go into classrooms with children in the morning. If your child misses their line in the morning and is late in the morning, please leave your child at their classroom door.

Extra Curricular Activities:

Homework Club: Mon-Weds for 4th – 6th classes. **45 minutes**

Art Club: Every Tuesday, 1st-3rd class. **1 hour**

Sports Club: Every Wednesday 1st-3rd class. **1hour**

GAA: Every Thursday in Thomastown 5th & 6th class. **1hr 15**

If you have any good news to share for our next Newsletter, please let us know!



NOW ENROLLING FOR SEPTEMBER 2017