



# Holy Family Herald



## Welcome to our Newsletter



### IMPORTANT DATES:

- Midterm: School closes on Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the normal finishing time and will re-open on **Monday November 1<sup>st</sup> at 8.50am.**
- Parent Teacher meetings will take place online on the week beginning **November 15<sup>th</sup>.**



The Parent's Association will host a Coffee Morning on **Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9.00am** in the hall. All parents are invited to attend. It is a great opportunity to meet other parents and find out about all the great work the Parents Association do. Covid 19 safety procedures will be in place, sign in, and socially distant seating. Masks must be worn until seated.



Students from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> classes have been taking part in Fencing classes in the school hall every Wednesday for the last number of weeks with Fencing Ireland. The final session was today and it was a huge hit!

Dear Parents/guardians and boys and girls,

Welcome to the first edition of our school newsletter for this school year! As the Hallowe'en break is almost upon us, I would like to thank all staff members of our school team for their exceptional commitment and dedication to the children throughout the first term. Thank you to parents/guardians for your continued cooperation and support of school procedures as well as the care and consideration in relation to keeping children at home when appropriate to do so.

Our school has been a hive of activity over the last number of weeks and all children have settled back into the school routine with ease after their summer break. A special welcome to our new Junior Infants and all children who have joined our school in other classes. We hope you will be very happy in Holy Family School.

Congratulations to all children in 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> class and our past pupils in 6<sup>th</sup> class who celebrated the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation over the last number of weeks. A special word of thanks to Fr Killeen for giving his time and support to these classes in preparation for this.

We hope you enjoy reading all about our first two months in school. We wish you all a safe and happy Hallowe'en break and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Ms.Martyn*

### **COVID-19 Testing and School Attendance for Siblings**

A number of children have been going for COVID tests over the last number of weeks. The most recent advice we have received from the HSE is that if any child in a family is being tested for COVID their siblings (if unvaccinated) **must stay home** until the child who is being tested receives a negative result. If you have any concerns or queries, please contact your GP or the HSE on <https://www2.hse.ie> or 1850 24 1850 for the latest update. Our motto is, if in doubt, keep them out!

*Congratulations to the First Holy Communion Class of 2020 & 2021  
who finally got to the church!*



*Junior/Senior infants getting into the spooky spirit of Halloween;  
painting pumpkins, making potions and skeletons!*



## Fancy Dress

The Parents Association are having a fancy dress competition for Halloween this Thursday. It will be €2 to enter the competition. There will be a parade/disco on the yard from 11.30am to 12.00pm. Classes will be in their own dancing zone and the best dressed winners from each class will be announced at 12.00pm.



*Early start have had great fun settling  
into their classroom and making many  
new friends!*



*Horizons Junior with their stick insects!*

**PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL**  
(This includes chocolate spread)



Enrolments for September 2022 are now open. Spread the word about our wonderful school to your neighbours, friends and relatives in the area, we would love to have them join HFNS!