



# Holy Rood Catholic Primary School

**Autumn Term, Issue 2 — Friday 20 September 2024**

**The theme of our prayers:**

*I show courtesy to everyone as we are all made in God's image and likeness.*

## Important Dates and Events

**Saturday 21 September 2024** – Y6 open day at Horizon Community College

**Thursday 26 September 2024** - Languages day in school

**Thursday 26 September 2024** – Years 3 & 4 Colour fun run at Horizon

**Friday 27 September 2024** – Trinity Academy St Edwards to administer Fair Banding Assessment

**Friday 27 September 2024** – KS2 Cross Country at Horizon 12.30pm

**Monday 30 September 2024** - Macmillan Coffee Morning at 9.15am

**Tuesday 1 October 2024** – 2.30pm Grandparents Afternoon

**Friday 4 October 2024** – CAFOD Family Fast Day

**Monday 7 October 2024** – Year 1 phonics meeting – 2.45pm

**Wednesday 16 October 2024** – F2 Parents Evening 3.45pm

**Friday 18 October 2024** – 1.15pm Y5/6 Boys Football at RITC

**Monday 21 October 2024 – Friday 25 October 2024** - Y6 to Beaumanor Hall

**Monday 21 October 2024** – Nursery Stay and Play – 10.30am to 12pm

**Tuesday 22 October 2024** – Tiny Tots Stay and Play 2 to 3.15pm

**Wednesday 23 October 2024** – 9.30am Y3 Fire Safety Talk

**Friday 25 October 2024** – School closes for half term at 3.30pm

**Monday 4 November 2024** – school reopens for children

**Friday 8 November 2024** – F2 to Y6 – Nasal flu vaccinations

## Last fortnight's attendance

Class	% Attendance
<b>Foundation 2</b>	97.7%
<b>Year 1</b>	96.6%
<b>Year 2</b>	99.5%
<b>Year 3</b>	98.8%
<b>Year 4</b>	94.7%
<b>Year 5</b>	97.6%
<b>Year 6</b>	95.7%
<b>SCHOOL TOTAL</b>	97.2%

**Year 2 are the winners for this fortnight with 99.5% Well Done!**

## School Holidays 2024/2025

**October Half Term** – Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November 2024

**Christmas Holidays** – Monday 23 December 2024 – Friday 3 January 2025

**February Half Term** – Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February 2025

**Easter Holidays** – Friday 18 April – Monday 28 April 2025

**May Half Term** – Monday 26 May 2025 – Friday 6 June 2025

**Summer Holidays** – break up Friday 18 July 2025

## Inset days 2025

Monday 28 April 2025  
Monday 21 and Tuesday 22 July 2025

## Advanced notice of important assessment dates 2024/25

**Y1 Phonics will take place from Monday 9 June to Friday 13 June 2025**

**Y2 SATs will take place in June 2025**

**Year 4 Multiplication Check will take place from Monday 9 June to Friday 13 June 2025**

**Year 6 SATs will take place from Monday 12 May to Thursday 15 May 2025**

### **Staff Update**

It is with great sadness that Mrs Wood, our Parent Support Advisor and Pupil Wellbeing Officer will be leaving our school. Mrs Wood applied for a new job working for the Local Authority supporting families in Barnsley. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Wood for her hard work, support, dedication and commitment to our school, our children and their families. We will miss her dearly. Mrs Wood's last working day is Thursday 17 October.

### **Welcome back Mass**

Thank you to everyone who joined us at Mass this morning. The children read beautifully.

### **Reading**

We have been extremely lucky to purchase new 'Reading for Pleasure' books. These will replace the historic Big Cat Collins/Home Reading books. We really want our children to have a love of reading and enjoy the books they take home.

Please take care of these books and any other books that your child brings home from school as we have invested a lot of money into this and want all children to be able to enjoy these books for years to come.

### **Y6 Trinity Academy Assessment**

Trinity Academy St Edward's will come into school on Friday 27 September at 10.30am to administer their selection assessment.

### **Jewellery**

Please could the children only wear **stud** earrings to school and if they wish, a watch – no smart watches. All other jewellery should be kept safe at home, thank you. Please note earrings should be taken out at home on PE days as we cannot allow tape/plasters over them for health and safety reasons.

### **School Calendar**

Remember that you can sync the school calendar to your phone. If you do not wish to do this then please visit our website to see the updates/information about the range of events.

### **Grandparents Afternoon**

Please join us on Tuesday 1 October at 2.30pm for our Grandparents afternoon. Limited spaces available.

### **Amazon Wishlist**

Due to a leak in our school library, some of our books have been damaged and therefore we have added a few more to our Amazon wishlist. There is no expectation for a contribution but if you would like to purchase a book on our behalf, we would be very grateful.

Please see below for the link

<https://amzn.eu/gW01ELw>

### **Medications**

**If your child has asthma or any allergies that require prescribed inhalers/medicines, please remember to bring their new in date inhaler to the school office and complete a medication form.**

### **PE Kit/Days**

Please ensure that your child/ren has their PE kit on the following days:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Days PE kit needed</u>
F2	Monday
Y1	Wednesday and Friday (Outdoor weather permitting)
Y2	Tuesday and Thursday (Outdoor weather permitting)
Y3	Monday and Thursday (Outdoor weather permitting)
Y4	Wednesday and Thursday (Outdoor weather permitting)
Y5	Tuesday and Thursday (Outdoor weather permitting)
Y6	Wednesday and Thursday (Outdoor weather permitting)

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND YOUR CHILD WITH THEIR FULL UNIFORM ON THE DAYS THAT THEY COME TO SCHOOL IN PE KIT**