



# Holy Rood Catholic Primary School

Spring Term, Issue 4 — Friday 28 March 2025

The theme of our prayers:  
*I accept God's forgiveness*

## Important Dates and Events

**Monday 31 March 2025** – HEPP DT in Year 2  
**Tuesday 1 April 2025** – HEPP DT In Year 6  
**Tuesday 1 April 2025** – Parents evening – 3.45pm to 5.45pm  
**Thursday 3 April 2025** – Parents evening – 3.45pm to 7.15pm  
**Friday 4 April 2025** – Non uniform day - £1 donation for CAFOD  
**Friday 4 April 2025** – Y3 (Selected pupils only) @ BFC Multiskills  
**Monday 7 April 2025** – F1 stay and play – 10:30am to 12pm  
**Tuesday 8 April 2025** – Tiny Tots – 2.00pm to 3.15pm  
**Wednesday 9 April 2025** – Parents Art Afternoon – ticket holders only  
**Thursday 10 April 2025** – 2.45pm-3.30pm F2 Stay and play  
**Friday 11 April 2025** – Non uniform day - bring chocolate for the Easter Tombola  
**Friday 11 April 2025** – Reading Ambassadors to MOTO  
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025** – 2:45pm Palm Sunday Liturgy in the school hall led by Year 2 – Parents welcome  
**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2025** – 10am Last Supper Liturgy at Holy Rood Church led by Year 4 – parents welcome  
**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2025** – Last day of Spring 2 Term  
**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2025** – Easter holiday begins  
**Tuesday 29 April 2025** – School opens  
**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April** – HEPP DT in Year 3

## Last fortnight's attendance

Class	% Attendance
<b>Foundation 2</b>	<b>92.1%</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>94.0%</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>91.7%</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>97.8%</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>94.6%</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>98.4%</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>96.7%</b>
<b>SCHOOL TOTAL</b>	<b>95.1%</b>

***Year 5 are the winners with attendance at 98.4% - Brilliant! Well done Y5!***

## School Holidays 2024/2025

**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**

## **Holy Week**

Please see below for information about our Holy Week events.

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April – 2:45pm Year 2 Palm Sunday Liturgy – Parents welcome

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Stations of the cross held in school – pupils only

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Y4 Last Supper Liturgy in Church – Parents welcome, see below for details

Year 4 children warmly invite you to join them for a special Maundy Thursday liturgy and drama on **Thursday, 17th April, at 10:00 AM at Holy Rood Church**. Through prayer and performance, they will bring to life the events of the Last Supper. The rest of the school will attend and support with their beautiful singing and we extend this invite to parents and the school community as we prepare for the Easter Triduum.

## **School Meals**

After consultation with the governing body, and as a result of increased meal prices from Barnsley Council, the cost of a school meal will be **increasing to £2.75 after the Easter holidays – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025**. We as a school have subsidised this by 25p per meal in order to keep the cost lower for our families.

## **Staffing update**

It is with great sadness that Miss Barnes will leave our school on Friday 4 April. Miss Barnes is moving to a new role closer to home. She will be greatly missed and we wish her every success for the future.

We have appointed two new teaching assistants who will begin after Easter. Miss Brownlie will work in F2 and Mrs Azeez will work in Y1.

Miss Szutka has also requested to reduce her working days therefore after Easter, Mrs Gau will teach F2 on a Monday and Tuesday and Miss Szutka on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

## **Horizon Car Park**

Please note that on Thursday 03/04/2025 parking in the Horizon car park will be limited/restricted due to an event taking place from 09.30am.

Further, parents/carers will need to move their cars as quickly as possible following drop off, so that cars are not locked in/access is restricted. The afternoon pick up will not be affected due to the event finishing at circa 2.30pm.

## **PE Days**

F2 Monday

Year 1 Tuesday and Friday

Year 2 Wednesday and Thursday

Year 3 Thursday and Friday

Year 4 Wednesday and Thursday

Year 5 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 6 Wednesday and Thursday

Please remember to pack a warm jumper and jogging bottoms for outdoor PE sessions as well as indoor PE kit.

## **After school care**

There is availability for after school care for over 5's with a registered child minder who also works in school. For further information please email [Helenjones958@yahoo.com](mailto:Helenjones958@yahoo.com)