



Holy Rood Catholic Primary School

Autumn Term, Issue 4 — Friday 17th October 2025

The theme of our prayers: *Piety*
 Our Mission is: *Try and visit a Church or sacred space this week and spend some time with God*

Important Dates and Events

Monday 20th October – Hepp Dt Day for Y2
Monday 20th October – Granny Norbag (author) assembly
Tuesday 21st October – Granny Norbag visit for book signings and questions
Tuesday 21st October – Y5/6 Dark Nights Assembly
Wednesday 22nd October – Y6 Residential to Newby Whisk – letter for departure sent
Wednesday 22nd October – 2:30pm F2 Parents Evening

Tuesday 4th November – 3:00pm Year 1 Parent Meeting - Phonics
Wednesday 5th November – Y6 to Crucial Crew
Thursday 6th November – FS2 – Y6 Flu Nasal Sprays – more information to follow
Friday 7th November – 10 Y6 children to Shaw Lane – Remembrance service
Monday 10th November – Anti Bullying Week
Monday 17th November – Road Safety Week
Tuesday 18th November – Individual Photo Day
Tuesday 18th November – Children’s University Inter-School Games Tournament – selected children only
Wednesday 19th November – FS2, Y1, Y2 Road Safety Sessions
Friday 21st November – Y5 handball at Reds in the Community
Wednesday 26th November – Y3 Fire Safety Talk
Thursday 27th November – Girl’s football at Burton Road – selected pupils

Tuesday 2nd December – Parent’s Evening – booking available through the school website
Thursday 4th December – Parent’s Evening – booking available through the school website
Tuesday 9th December – 2pm Tiny Tots Stay and Play

Last fortnight’s attendance

Class	% Attendance
Foundation 2	93.7%
Year 1	94.0%
Year 2	95.9%
Year 3	97.6%
Year 4	94.6%
Year 5	95.6%
Year 6	96.5%
SCHOOL TOTAL	95.5%

Y3 are the winners with attendance at 97.6% - Well done Y3!

School Holidays 2025/2026

October Half Term – Monday 27 October 2025 – Friday 31 October 2025

Christmas Holidays – Monday 22 December 2025 – Friday 2 January 2026

February Half Term – Monday 16 February 2026 – Friday 20 February 2026

Monday 23 February 2026 – Inset Day

Friday 3rd April 2026 – Good Friday

Easter Holidays – Monday 6th April 2026 – Friday 10th April 2026

Monday 4th May 2026 – May Bank Holiday

May Half Term – Monday 25th May 2026 – Friday 5th June 2026

Advanced notice of important assessment dates 2025/26

Y1 Phonics will take place from Monday 8 June to Friday 12 June 2026

Y2 SATs will take place in June 2026

Year 4 Multiplication Check will take place from Monday 8 June to Friday 12 June 2026

Year 6 SATs will take place from Monday 11 May to Thursday 14 May 2026

Christmas Dates

Wednesday 3rd December – KS2 Carol Concert at Holy Rood Church 10am – Parents Welcome

Friday 5th December – Y2 Santa Dash @ Joseph Locke Primary School

Monday 8th December – Year 3 Christingle 2:45pm – Parents Welcome

Wednesday 10th December – 9:15am – EYFS Nativity – Parents Welcome

Thursday 11th December – 2pm – Christmas Fair – All welcome

Friday 12th December – 9:15am – KS1 Nativity – Parents Welcome

Monday 15th December – EYFS and KS1 to the Lamproom Theatre for Pantomime

Tuesday 16th December – KS2 to the Lamproom Theatre for Pantomime

Wednesday 17th December – 10am Christmas Mass in Church – Parents Welcome

Thursday 18th December – Elf Runs in school for the children

New Accident Reporting Tool

We have now moved over to an online accident reporting tool to log all of our accidents in school. This will help us to ensure that accidents are reported in a timely manner and it also gives us the ability to identify areas in school that are hazards. If your child has an accident in school you will receive an email to notify you of this. We will still be contacting parents via telephone if we feel that we need to you collect your child or we need parental advice.

Please ensure you notify the school office if you do change your email address so we can ensure that you receive these emails

Year 5 and 6 Girls' Football League – Upcoming Fixtures

We are pleased to announce that the Year 5 and 6 girls' football team will be participating in a series of league fixtures this term. Matches are scheduled to take place on the following dates: 7th October, 16th October, 21st October, 6th November, and 27th November.

All players are kindly reminded to ensure they bring appropriate footwear (boots or trainers) and, where possible, shinpads for their safety and comfort during matches.

Children have been notified if they are part of this and letters have been sent to parents. If you have any questions then please see Mr Newsome who will be happy to help.

School lunch bookings

Please ensure that you book your child's school lunch using the gateway app. A lot of time is spent in classroom booking the children's lunch and this is eating into learning time. You can book on the gateway app up to 3 weeks in advance and can book on the morning, right up until 8am. If you are struggling to access the gateway app please visit the school office who will assist you.

PE Days

Please ensure that children have their PE kit on their PE days. It is advised that PE kits are brought in on a Monday and taken home on a Friday to accommodate last minute changes in days.

Please ensure children have the correct PE kit and have clothes suitable for outdoors with them as we strive to get children outside as much as possible.

F2 Wednesday

Year 1 Monday

Year 2 Monday and Thursday

Year 3 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 4 Wednesday and Thursday

Year 5 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 6 Wednesday and Thursday