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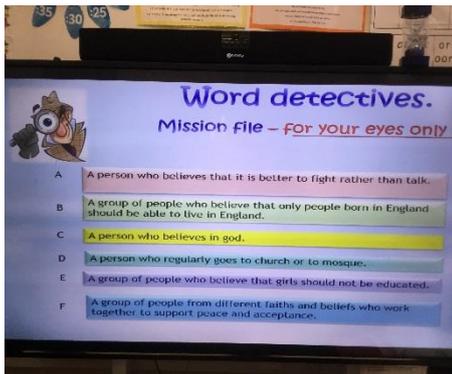
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### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF LEARNING

#### This week

This week Eric Carle class led our liturgy; Simon James class enjoyed an outing to Central library; and JK Rowling and Ross McKenzie classes took part in 'Detective Dave' sessions. It has been a busy week!



We also welcomed a large number of science students to Holy Cross this week. We were delighted to receive this positive feedback: 'We had a fantastic time and it was a privilege to get the opportunity to work in such a welcoming and high quality school.' Thank you to Miss Bailey for organising this collaboration with Mr Medway from Plymouth University.

#### Next week

**Sunday** Please come along to the Barbican stage at 1pm this Sunday to watch our Federation Choir perform. Corey B, Mackenzie, Niamh, Lance, Erin, Angeline, Marisa, Alex, Euan and Carmen will be singing alongside children from the Cathedral School. Thank you to Mrs Schroeder for leading them.

**Charity appeal** Bishop Mark tells us that children in our midst are going without food, clothes and a safe secure place to sleep. The Catholic Children's Society in Plymouth is actively helping families climb towards a secure, stable and happy way of life.

On Friday 1st December we will be holding a toy, book and cake sale. Please help us to raise funds for the Catholic Children's Society by sending in books, toys, puzzles and games from Monday 27th November. Please send cakes in on the day. All children will have the opportunity to visit the sale so your child is invited to bring spending money in a named envelope on the day.

**Author day** Friday is also our author day. Miss McCalley has organised a day devoted to reading. The children have been invited to dress as a character from one of their class author's books. You are invited to join your child in class at **2.50pm** to read with them. This will replace the usual celebration assembly.

**Finally**, please support us to keep your children safe by parking away from school and walking the last part of the journey. We are concerned at the number of parents choosing to park near to the entrance, often illegally. We have a new PCSO and she will be monitoring this closely. Some of our parents have already received fines!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Potterton  
[dpotterton@holycross.plymouth.sch.uk](mailto:dpotterton@holycross.plymouth.sch.uk)

### LITURGY IN SCHOOL

**Parents and parishioners are invited to join us for liturgy, 9am, Monday mornings.**

The theme for our prayer and worship this week is:

### Help others



**Dear Jesus, please help me to notice anyone who needs my kindness, help and friendship. I know you are in every poor person, every sick person, and every sad or lonely person. Help me to remember that what I do for others I am doing for you. Amen.**



### THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped us raise a massive £237.00 from the £1.00 Children in Need mufti day last

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Friday, and also the £67.00 raised by everyone who bought one of the yummy biscuits made by Karen and her team.

Together we raised.....

**£304.00**

Fantastic!

Thank you again everyone.

### Wonders of the Week



JD (F) – Grace & Sonny  
SJ(Y1) – Alvin  
EC (Y1/2) – Luca  
H (Y2) - Tilly  
RD (Y3) - Isabelle  
DKS (3) - Finlay  
MM (Y4) - Evie  
JKR (Y5) - Ariana  
RMK (Y6) – Angeline

### Top Table Awards



JD (F) – Nikola  
SJ(Y1) – Ruslan  
EC (Y1/2) - Theresia  
H (Y2)- Ashley  
RD (Y3) - Iris  
DKS (Y3) – Alex B  
MM (Y4) - Matthew  
JKR (Y5) - Michal  
RMK (Y6) – Brianna

### On Time Heroes



Being on time for school is crucial for learning.  
Our 'On Time Heroes' this week are: -

Yr 1/2 - Eric Carle  
Yr 5 – J K Rowling

Well done to all both classes!



**1<sup>st</sup> St Teresa**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> St Judes**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> St Andrew**  
**4<sup>th</sup> St Julie**

### Dates for your December Diary



Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for this term.

[All information is available on our website calendar.](#)

- **1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)**  
**Advent Project Sale**
- **6<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Foundation Christmas Production - 1.30pm**
- **7<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Foundation Christmas Production - 1.30pm**
- **12<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Christmas Production (1.30pm & 6pm)**
- **13<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Christmas Production (6pm)**
- **14<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Christmas Jumper Mufti Day**
- **14<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Christmas Dinner**

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### CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

We are delighted to offer a range of clubs this term. For more information on each club please see the Noticeboard in the top playground or pick up a leaflet from the school office.

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### Your Opinion matters

If you haven't already done so, please do let us have any thoughts you may have for items you may wish to see on the newsletter or indeed anything you would wish to see improved/removed. It is your newsletter so please do let us know. You can send any thoughts to [holy.cross.rc.primary.school@plymouth.gov.uk](mailto:holy.cross.rc.primary.school@plymouth.gov.uk), or in writing to the office.

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### What's On

With Christmas on the way you will find lots to do around Plymouth over the next few weeks, including

both the Snowflake and Nutcracker Trails.



For full details of Christmas in Plymouth please visit: <https://www.visitplymouth.co.uk/whats-on/christmas-in-plymouth>

Information on the Nutcracker Trail can be found at: <https://www.visitplymouth.co.uk/whats-on/nutcracker-trail-p1957333>

Information on the Snowflake Trail can be found at: <https://www.visitplymouth.co.uk/whats-on/snowflake-trail-p2140783>

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### Important Information



Don't forget to get your tickets for this year's

Christmas Production. If you haven't already done so, please hand your slip into either your child's class teacher or the school office indicating which date you would like to have tickets for.

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Please remember to send your child into school with a winter coat. The days are now getting much colder and as we encourage our children to play outside as much as possible, we need to ensure that they have warm clothing. Please remember to clearly label all clothes with your child's name to avoid it getting lost or misplaced.

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Please remember that your ParentPay account is to remain **in credit at all times**. If you are having trouble paying, please contact the school office.



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Your co-operation would be very much appreciated.

It is possible to set up reminders on your ParentPay account to notify you when your balance is low. For more information on receiving notifications from ParentPay to help you manage your account, please ask the School Office team who will be happy to help you set up this service.



We accept the following  
Childcare Vouchers:  
Edenred ref - **P21102440**  
Fideliti ref - **HOL357C**  
Allsave/Sodexo/p&mm/  
salary plus ref – **872743**  
Computershare ref –  
**0024415526**  
If you have any questions  
regarding childcare  
vouchers please contact the  
school

**Thank you all for your support as  
always. Have a lovely weekend.**

**Mrs Potterton and Mr Cotter**