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Message from the Head of Learning

Thank you for your understanding during last week's snow. We were delighted that the children were able to enjoy the unusual weather but very aware of the impact on you as families. Fortunately, this type of disruption is rare in Plymouth!

What a hugely successful day World Book Day was! Thank you for your support with outfits - the children looked amazing. Thank you to Miss McCalley, our English lead, for planning and leading the day. It was a truly inspiring day. Thank you to Ross McKenzie class for this report:

"World Book Day 2018

For World Book Day this year, every class took part in a range of different activities linked to books and reading throughout the day. The teachers also swapped to teach another class from break until lunch.

Throughout the day, we all helped to write two whole school stories. One story was about Mrs Potterton time traveling and the other one was about

Mr Cotter trying to find Mrs Cotter after she went missing! KS1 wrote the story about Mr and Mrs Cotter,

KS2 wrote the one about Mrs Potterton and Year 6 started them both off by writing the opening paragraphs. All the children had fun dressing up as a character from a book that they enjoy reading. Even the teachers dressed up as their favourite characters too!"

*By: Lilia and Victoria
Yr 6*



The children have enjoyed a music filled morning today. Tom and Emma from Rock Steady Music joined us to lead the children in a rock band session. More classes will take part in these exciting music sessions next Friday.

Mr Driscoll, our PE lead, organised an exciting table tennis event last week. Mr Aquilina, our PE apprentice, supported the classes throughout the day. He has shared this report:

'Last Tuesday, Holy Cross were lucky enough to have two table tennis coaches come into the school and put on taster sessions for all key stage 2. During these sessions, the coaches taught the pupils basic skills within the sport. The pupils were taught how to hold the bat and also the backhand push shot.

The pupils took great interest in the session and all had a great time playing the sport with their friends.

"It was fun to play, the coaches were kind and respectful," said Boden from Roald Dahl Class Year 3.'

Don't forget to sign up for an appointment with your child's class teacher on one of our forthcoming parent consultation evenings. This is an important opportunity to find out how your child is doing and to discuss ways you might support them at home. Please contact the school office if you have any issues with making a booking.

Please check in to ClassDojo to find out more about the wonderful learning here at Holy Cross.

Lastly, it is with mixed feelings that we inform you that Miss Riley has been successful in being appointed the Deputy Headteacher of Keyham Barton Catholic Primary School from

September 2018. We are absolutely delighted for her and for Keyham but are very sorry that we will be saying farewell to such a wonderful teacher and colleague who has been a huge part of Holy Cross since 2003. Miss Riley assures you that, until she leaves she remains fully committed to the school and her class..

Mrs Potterton

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Liturgy in School



Parents and Parishioners are invited to join us for liturgy, 9am, Monday mornings

The theme for our prayer and worship next week is:

JESUS LOVES THE WHOLE WORLD



Dear Jesus, St Patrick prayed that people would see you in everything he said and did. please help me to show your love to others by the way I live too.

Amen.

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CAFOD Just one world

If you have yet to return your green CAFOD envelope to school, please could you remember to drop it in to school by Wednesday of next week so that we may send the money we have raised to CAFOD. Thank you so much to everyone who has already sent in their envelopes, your donations will help so many in need.



The PTFA would like to say a massive “Thank You” to all the staff and parents who helped at out at the recent discos. Without this essential help we would not be able to hold our successful disco events which raised a very substantial profit of **£397.58** towards your school PTFA projects.

Bookplate competition

We recently held a competition for pupils to design a bookplate to go inside books that are kindly donated to the school library.



The lucky winners each taking home a £15.00 National Book Token are as follows: -

KS1– Esme R

KS2– Victoria S

KS1 2nd place goes to Tilly who will receive a £10.00 Token.

We also had a number of Runners Up who will also receive a £5.00 token. Congratulations to **Rianna, Darcey, Marian and Ben**. Well done to each of them and also a thank you to Marks & Spencer, Tesco, Morrisons & Sainsburys who sponsored this competition.

PTFA AGM

The rescheduled meeting will now take place on **Wednesday 28th March @ 5pm**. The meeting will be held in the school staff room. Please let Justine know if you are attending by e-mailing her on hc.ptfa@gmail.com so that she can keep an eye out for you at the front gate!

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

For information on any of the clubs running this term, please see the School Notice Board in the top playground or collect an information sheet from reception.



Wonders of the Week

JD (F) – Kacper & Dominik
SJ (Y1) – Ezekiel
EC (Y1/2) - Khaled
H (Y2) - Harry
RD (Y3) - Emily
DKS (3) – Ellenna
MM (Y4) - Henryk
JKR (Y5) - Ruby
RMK (Y6) – Christ

Top Table Award

JD (FS) – Milly & Jack
SJ (Y1) – Elsie
EC (Y1/2) - Mehad
H (Y2) – Mica and Julian
RD (Y3) - Boden
DKS (3) - Maxim
MM (Y4) – Nell
JKR (Y5) – George & Caleb
RMK (Y6) – Heba

On Time Heroes

Roald Dahl (Y3)
&
J K Rowling (Y5)

House Point Winning Team



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WHAT'S ON

After School Club Every Tuesday

Time: 3.15pm – 4.30pm

Venue: Tothill Community Centre

Address: Plymouth, PL4 9DA

Plymouth Libraries are holding an After School Drop In Club at Tothill Community Centre each Tuesday. Activities include playing board games and puzzles, doing crafts and reading stories.

Mother's Day Posy Making 11th-11th March 2018

Time: 1pm to 4pm

Venue: Saltram

Address: Plymouth, PL7 1UH

Meet one of the gardeners between 1-4 and then make a posy for your Mum from flowers grown and cut at Saltram. Afterwards treat mum to a high tea in the Chapel Tea. For more information call 01752 333500

Lego Club

17th-17th March 2018

Time: 2.30pm to 4pm

Venue: Plymstock Library

Address: Plymstock, PL9 9BU

Use your imagination and make fun things out of Lego. For children aged 6 years+. Call 01752 306606



Does your child love Cheesy Wheels?

Ingredients

Makes 12 portions

453g puff pastry

453g mashed potato

350g cheddar cheese (grated)

15g mustard powder

45ml semi skimmed milk

Salt to taste

Method

1. Add the mustard powder, salt and cheese to the mashed potato and mix well
2. Roll pastry into a rectangle shape.
3. Spread the potato and cheese mixture over the pastry.
4. Roll it up so it resembles a swiss roll.
5. Cut into approximately 2.5cm thick slices
6. Place wheels in a tin and brush with a little milk.
7. Bake at 200c, 400F, gas mark 6 for 25 to 30 minutes until golden brown in colour.

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

Mrs Potterton and Mr Cotter

Dates for your Diary



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

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

- **13th March**
Cathedral School Coffee Morning
- **20th and 21st March**
Parent Evenings
- **28th March**
PTFA AGM
- **28th March**
Tempest Photography – Class photos
- **13th July**
Summer Fair
- **19th July**
School Talent Show
- **20th July**
Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

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