



Holy Family Catholic Primary School



Friday 19th December 2025

We have had a wonderful time in the build up to the end of term, starting this week with a beautiful carol service in Church and ending it with our fantastic RE Inspection report. We wish you a very happy and Holy Christmas from Team Holy Family. See you in January!

Attendance & Punctuality:



Attendance of the Week: Reception 97%

Punctuality of the Week: Year 3 99.2%

Leave of Absence Requests:

If you need to request leave during term time please use the form which can be found at the following link:

<https://www.holyfamilyprimary.com/2024-2025-3/>

Absence Email:

attendance.hfp@schools.sefton.gov.uk



Early collections etc: please be aware we will be asking for explanations if your child arrives late or is collected early & require proof of any appointments – e.g. letter, appointment card

A huge **well done** to the
25 children who achieved 100% attendance
this term!

School Tours & Admissions:

Primary School Admissions: Closing date:
15.01.26 - Apply online

<https://www.sefton.gov.uk/admissions>

If you know anyone who is looking for a school place a school visit can be booked by scanning the QR code. We also have Stay & Play sessions for people who are interested in our school.



Retirement....

This Friday we say goodbye to our longstanding cleaner Mary.

Mary has been here over 13 years. I am sure that you join with us wishing her lots of love and happiness in her retirement.

The Religious Life of School:

WE ARE AN OUTSTANDING CATHOLIC SCHOOL!

Our RE inspection report has come! It is a fantastic report and shows how the inclusivity and values of our school shine through. You can read it here.....

<https://www.holyfamilyprimary.com/re-inspection-reports/>

Christmas Masses at Holy Family Church:

CHRISTMAS SERVICES and MORE...

Wed 24th Dec 6pm (CHRISTMAS EVE) - MASS of Christmas
Wed 24th Dec 8.30pm (CHRISTMAS EVE) - MASS of Christmas
Wed 25th Dec 10am (CHRISTMAS DAY) - MASS of Christmas
Fri 26th Dec 12noon (BOXING DAY) - MASS
Sat 27th Dec 6pm - MASS
Sun 28th Dec 10am (FEAST of THE HOLY FAMILY) - MASS
followed by celebration in HF Church hall
<https://www.holyfamilysouthport.org.uk/index.php/spiritual-life/how-can-i-join-in>

COMPASSION ACTS CHRISTMAS INFO

Our office will be **closed** from Wednesday 24th December and will **reopen** on Friday 2nd January.

An **Emergency Foodbank** will be held at the Victoria Centre, PR8 6DG on Monday 29th December from 10am – 12pm.

Friday 19th December

Lakeside Church Foodbank 1pm - 3pm

Monday 22nd December

Victoria Centre Foodbank 1:30pm - 3:00pm
Tarleton Pantry (closed)

Tuesday 23rd December

Victoria Centre Foodbank 10am - 3pm
Southport Pantry 9am - 12pm

Wednesday 24th December - Thursday 1st January

All projects closed, except

Monday 29th December
Emergency Foodbank
Victoria Centre 10am - 12pm

Friday 2nd January

Victoria Centre Foodbank 1pm - 3pm

W/C Monday 5th January

All projects reopen and resume as normal

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 6th January:

Thursday 8th January:

Monday 12th January:

Tuesday 13th January:

Wednesday 14th January:

Thursday 15th January:

Children return to school

Stay & Play for prospective parents & children

Children's University Clubs Start

Y6 Stay & Pray. **Y6 parents welcome. Please wait in the entrance**

Y5 Forest School: **Children will need long trousers & tops, wellingtons & waterproofs**

Stay & Play for prospective parents & children

Y3 & Y4: Active Sefton: Healthy Habits session 1

School Nurses – reception screening – vision, hearing, height & weight

Primary Admissions closing date for September 2026

Dates for next term can be viewed on our Google Calendar

<https://www.holyfamilyprimary.com/diary/grid/2025/11/>

ADMISSIONS POLICY CONSULTATION 2027-2028

Please accept our apologies as the wrong dates were on the last consultation.

As the admission authority for Holy Family Catholic Primary School, the Governing Body wish to consult with you on our admission arrangements for (2027-2028). This is because you may have an interest in the proposed admissions.

Consultation must last for a minimum of 6 weeks. The consultation period for this policy is from **16.12.25 to 27.01.26**

We invite you to consider the policy which can be found on the school website.

Any comments you may have can be sent to the following email

admin.holyfamilyprimary@schools.sefton.gov.uk

or directly to the school in an envelope marked Admissions Policy Consultation.

If you would prefer a printed copy or require any further information please contact us at school. If you require any further help please contact us at school.

Going for Green!

GOOD ACHIEVEMENT:

Thea, Kylo, Liga, Esmay, Harper, Ru & Lukas

GOOD ATTITUDE:

Jacob, Max, Arthur, Georgina, Alfie, Max & Hannah

LUNCHTIME AWARD:

Markas, Lucas & Lily-Iris

NUMBOTS AWARD:

Elouise & Geon

TTRS AWARD:

Violet, Eva, Oliver & Lukas

Happy birthday



Shining Stars:



Well done Daisy who has a swimming certificate, medal & trophy.



Well done Mikhail who has a football medal.



Well done Penny who has a swimming medal.

Well done Dylan who has a football trophy & a medal for the Santa Dash.



Our Values of the Week:

Each week in school we focus on different values. These are supported with Picture News, Class Worship & discussion. Please click on the links to read what the children have been doing in class.

Solidarity

<https://www.holyfamilyprimary.com/catholic-social-teaching/>

Democracy and Age

<https://www.holyfamilyprimary.com/y1-y6/>



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: SPRING TERM 2026

Autumn Term after school clubs will run from:
 (Spring 1): Monday 12th January to Friday 13th February
 (Spring 2): Monday 23rd February to Friday 20th March

NAME	CLUB	YEAR GROUP	DAY AND TIME
Spring 1			
Miss Veevers & Mrs Carey	Ambassadors & Mini Vinnies	Same children as last term	Monday 3:30-4:15
Mrs McFadden	Choir	KS1 (max 25)	Monday 3:30-4:15
Miss Crouch	Film club	KS2 (max 20)	Monday 3:30-4:15
Mrs Jackson-Dawson	Dance	Y2 & 3 (max 30)	Monday 3:30-4:30
Mr Atkinson and Mr Hassall	Forest School – £3 contribution	KS1 (max 15)	Tuesday 3:30-5:00
Mrs Maranda	Maths boosters	Y6	Tuesday 3:30-4.15
Miss Feeney	Art Club	KS2 (max 15)	Wednesday lunchtime
Mrs Appleton	Lego Club	Y1 (max 16)	Wednesday lunchtime
WLSP - West Lancs Sports Partnership	Gymnastics	KS1 (max 16)	Wednesday 3:30-4:30
Miss Ashe-Wright	Netball	Y4, 5 & 6 (max 20)	Thursday 3:30-4:30
Mr Davies and Mr Hassall	Mixed Football	Y4, 5 & 6 (max 28)	Friday 3:30-4:30
Spring 2			
Miss Veevers	Ambassadors & Mini Vinnies	Same children as last term	Monday 3:30-4:15
Mrs Carey	With You Always	Y4	Monday – HF Church
Miss Crouch	Film club	KS1 (max 20)	Monday 3:30-4:15
Mrs Jackson-Dawson	Dance	Y2 & 3 (max 30)	Monday 3:30-4:30
Mr Atkinson and Mr Hassall	Forest School – £3 contribution	KS2 (max 15)	Tuesday 3:30-5:00
Mrs Maranda	Maths boosters	Y5	Tuesday 3:30-4.15
Miss Feeney	Art Club	KS1 (max 15)	Wednesday lunchtime
Mrs Appleton	Lego Club	Y2 (max 16)	Wednesday lunchtime
WLSP - West Lancs Sports Partnership	Invasion Games	KS1 (max 16)	Wednesday 3:30-4:30
Miss Ashe-Wright	Netball	Y4, 5 & 6 (max 20)	Thursday 3:30-4:30
Mr Davies and Mr Hassall	Mixed Football	Y4, 5 & 6 (max 28)	Friday 3:30-4:30

Google forms to sign up for Children's University clubs in the spring term were emailed home on Wednesday 17th December. Please completed them before January if your child is interested in taking part in any clubs. Places will be confirmed before the clubs are due to start.



Winter Challenge 2025

<u>Activity 1</u> Take part in the winter Reading Challenge by reading at least 3 books and registering online. Send a picture of your certificate and you will receive 3 credits. wintermini.org.uk	<u>Activity 2</u> The 2025 Festival of Winter walks takes place from 20th December-4th January 2026 and is all about wrapping up warm and getting out to your local park, forest or scenic area. After your walk, draw a map of your route and make a list of 5 things you spotted!	<u>Activity 3</u> Make something yummy, on a wintery theme! There are lots of treats to choose from here Winter Themed Food for Kids - Eats Amazing How about Mozzarella cheese snowmen, Rudolf Reindeer cakes, snowman garlic pizza bread or marshmallow penguins?	<u>Activity 4</u> Have a go at one of these challenges - Either write all the letters of the alphabet down the side of a piece of paper then think up a Winter themed word beginning with each letter...or complete this wordsearch 1804adb00dbd80b0b0a4e1480a9d643c.jpg (612x792)
<u>Activity 5</u> The Wildlife Trusts have a 12 Days Wild Challenge - you can download your free pack here 12 Days Wild The Wildlife Trusts From 25th December for 12 days, challenge yourself to a new activity each day....why not try stargazing, writing a winter poem or collecting nature treasures? Complete at least 2 activities to gain your credit!	<u>Activity 6</u> Using your imagination create a model of a structure that you could shelter in during a snow storm! You could use lego, building blocks or junk materials out of your recycling bin. Remember it only needs to be a model, not life sized! You could even put some little figures inside!	<u>Activity 7</u> Why not have a go at one or more of these winter themed craft activities? Choose from Northern lights art, toilet roll penguins, pipe cleaner icicles, snowman bowling and much more! 50 Fun and Easy Winter Crafts for Kids to Make - Taming Little Monsters	

Collect extra Children's University credits during the Christmas holiday by completing this challenge. Each activity is worth 1 credit unless stated otherwise. Send evidence of your activity to SeftonCU@elevate-ebp.co.uk This could be a photograph, video, a work sheet, or writing about what you did. Remember to include your name and the school you attend!