



Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to say a big welcome to all our new families and all children who are settling back in after a wonderful summer break. The children are settling in very well, we look forward to getting to know our new families in the forthcoming coming weeks.

Tapestry

As you are aware, we use the Tapestry app to record evidence and track your child's learning and development in our setting. It is a great tool to use and we appreciate and enjoy reading your comments and viewing your uploads. Tapestry has a section called 'All About Me.' This section is where we can learn more about your child and family. Please could you complete this section as this helps enable your child's keyworker to plan around your child's individual needs.

European Day of Languages

The children will have the opportunity to take part in celebrating European day of languages on Monday 26th September. The children will be learning about the different countries, their cultures, taste testing various foods, as well as lots of other activities. There will also be face-painting. If you do not wish for your child to have their face painted, please let us know on the day. If there is a story, information, artifacts or photos about your family heritage, or if you have visited a country in Europe over the holidays that your child would like to share with their peers please bring them on this day. If you are able to support our European day in any other way, we would be pleased to receive these contributions as part of show and tell.

MacMillan Bake Sale

We would like to invite you to our Coffee morning on Friday 30th September at 9.15am which will be held in our playground. The children will be baking cakes in the nursery. If you would like to donate any cakes to support this wonderful charity we would really appreciate this. Please bring your own picnic blankets.

Black History Month

As you may be aware October is Black History Month (BHM). On Friday 21st October the children will be participating in age appropriate activities which celebrate the lives of positive black role models and the contribution they have made and continue to make; as well as exploring cultural foods, art and dance. Please inform your child's Key worker if there is a story, information, artifacts or photos about your family





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heritage that your child would like to share with their peers, or if you are able to support our BHM day in any other way, we would be pleased to receive these contributions.

Show and Tell

We are introducing show and tell during our circle time sessions, week commencing 3rd-7th October to support this term's topic 'all about me'. We would like the children to bring in anything that has a special meaning to them i.e. a picture of their family/pets.

Harvest Festival Check with school

As part of the Harvest Festival Holy Cross Catholic Primary School and Nursery will be donating to a local foodbank, supporting families within our community who are in need. If you would like to donate any items we ask for the following: canned food tins, lentils, kidney beans, tea, coffee, UHT milk, pasta, jar sauces. Please could we have the donations brought into the Nursery by Friday 14th October.

Parent's Consultations

We will be holding our Preschool parent's consultations during the week of 31st-4th November. Parent consultations will be via the telephone. You will be able to book your time slot within the coming weeks. During this 10-minute telephone conversation your child's key worker will let you know how your child has settled in and discuss their progress.

Car Free Street – Health and Safety important reminder

Please can we remind you that Laburnum Drive is a car free street for specific times at the start and end of the school day. This enables children to walk, cycle, and scoot safely to and from school. It also supports the safeguarding of children as parents spread out in the road and staff can ensure a safe handover at the end of the day.

Unless drivers have either a permit or a disabled badge, they must not drive up/down Laburnum Drive between 8.15am-9.15am and 2.30pm-3.30pm (it is clearly signed at the entry to Laburnum Drive). I stress that these restrictions are legal and apply regardless of whether there is staff present at the end of the road. For the safety of all our families I must insist on everyone's full cooperation in this very important matter. The school will continue to record registration numbers of cars who persistently break the restrictions and pass them on to the relevant body, which unfortunately could result in a fine. Thank you for your support.

Date	Time	Event
6.9.22	9am	Return back to Nursery
19.9.22	All Day	Closed for Bank Holiday
30.9.22	9.15	MacMillan coffee morning
26.9.22	All Day	European Day of Languages
3-7th.10.22	All Day	Show and tell





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14.10.22	All Day	Harvest donations to be brought into nursery
21.10.22	All Day	Black History Month celebrations
21.10.22	3.15pm	Nursery breaks up for half term
31.10.22	9am	Nursery returns after half term.
31st-4.11.22	All week	Telephone parent consultations
23.11.22	TBC	Academy Photography
16.12.22	3.15pm	Nursery breaks up for half term
3.1.2023	9am	Nursery returns after half term

Whilst we try our utmost not to change events, occasionally changes are unavoidable and out of our control. In addition, events/opportunities also crop up and we will always make the most out of these. We will always try to give parents as much notice as possible of any changes. Therefore, please check our website, Facebook page, notice boards and texts for any updates or amendments.



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