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HFCS BULLETIN

Weekly bulletin for parents & carers

TIMETABLE: WEEK 2

Calendar

Monday 21st April SEND Surgery 3.15 - 4.15pm

Tuesday 22nd April Year 9 Options Evening

Wednesday 23rd April

Thursday 24th April

Friday 25th April

Catholic Life Calendar Catholic Life and Mission

<u>27 April 2025 - 2nd Sunday of Easter</u> (Divine Mercy Sunday) John 20:19-31 'Eight days later, Jesus came'

This week's Gospel reminds us of the importance of faith in our lives as Catholics. Like Thomas, we may have doubts and uncertainties in our faith journey. But Jesus is always with us, ready to strengthen our faith when we ask Him. We should trust in God's promises, even when we can't see them clearly.

Pope Francis Requiescat in Pace We join with the whole Church in mourning the death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis.

Eternal rest grant unto Pope Francis, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him

Friday 2 May - Year 11 Rosary Assembly Year 11s will receive a rosary and prayers ahead of public examinations.

May is the month of Mary Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen

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Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed the Easter break. Our joy at Easter was tinged with sadness with the loss of our Holy Father Pope Francis. In school this week, we have prayed for the repose of his soul each day and have reflected upon his life in assemblies and RE lessons. As a Jesuit priest, Pope Francis' spirituality was formed by the tradition of the Society of Jesus - a Gospel-centred life of living simply and being close to the poor and those living on the margins of society. Our school community will continue to be inspired by his life of service.

This is a short but busy half term, as we approach the public examination season for Years 11 and 13. There is growing evidence that giving up their mobile phones in the run up to exams and during the exam period has a positive impact on grades, so please encourage your child to put aside their mobile phones and devices and concentrate on revising for their GCSE and A level exams. Thank you to all of the staff who gave up time in their Easter holiday to run intervention sessions for our students.

Year 7 have had an excellent first week back and their behaviour has been exemplary. I was really impressed that 99% of Year 7 have completed their new "Power Hour" homework booklets in the first week back! This demonstrates a real commitment to study and exemplifies our first ASPIRE value of Achievement. Keep up the good work, Year 7! Year 7 Parents' Evening takes place on Thursday 1st May from 4-6.30 p.m. and we look forward to seeing all Year 7 parents and carers.

As ever, thank you for your ongoing support of the school. God bless, Mrs Laws



Denise Chaplaincy **ISSUE 10**

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Headteacher's Update

Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are pleased to invite your child to join our LAMDA afterschool club for the upcoming term.

What is LAMDA?

LAMDA is a world-class drama school in London that offers exams resulting in qualifications in both Speech and Drama that are recognized around the world through their Speech and Communications Board overseen by OFQUAL.

What are the benefits of LAMDA?

• Helps to increase self-confidence

• Improve presentation and communication skills, valuable for interviews

• Extra qualifications and UCAS points

• Develop creativity and the opportunity to explore a range of texts

LAMDA afterschool club

This fun and supportive program offers young performers the chance to explore acting, drama, and public speaking, led by professional instructors. Held weekly for one hour, students will build skills in voice technique, self-expression, body language and teamwork—no experience needed!

LAMDA private lessons (within school hours)

These tailored private lessons are available for individuals or pairs, led by experienced professionals. Held weekly for 30 minutes, they offer personalised support in acting, drama, and public speaking, helping students build confidence, creativity, and communication skills. Students can also work towards LAMDA exams, earning valuable qualifications and UCAS points to support their future ambitions.

When will lessons take place? On Wednesdays on the following dates:

February	26th
March	5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
April	2nd

What is the cost?

£9 per week for the afterschool club. (£54 per half term) £16 +VAT per week for private duo lessons. (£115.20 per half term) £21 +VAT per week for private solo lessons. (£151.20 per half term) Exams will be available for those taking private lessons and can be taken once a year. This usually costs between £35-55.

Places are limited and are strictly on a first come first served basis. If you would like to secure your child's spot, please visit: https://teachmajor.classforkids.io/venue/19/holy-family-catholic-school

If you are interested in the classes but are worried about finances, please contact **ms.hampshire@holyfamilycatholicschool.co.uk** who will be able to advise about applying for supported payment options.





