

FAMILY MATTERS



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

OPEN EVENING 2020



**HEAD TO OUR
WEBSITE TO
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OUR VIRTUAL
OPEN
EVENING!**

GET TO KNOW THE HOUSE SYSTEM!



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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Quotation of the week

“Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called children of God”

Covid19 update

We have not had any more positive tests for coronavirus in the school this week. However, as you will be aware, cases of covid19 are rising across the UK and we must remain vigilant. I want this week to remind you of the control measures that are in place and to give you some feedback about how things are operating in school at the moment. You'll also be able to get your son/daughter's perspective when you speak to them about their day. In our view the students are by and large, happy being in school engaged with their learning and feeling safe and secure.

Moving around the school is very calm and orderly. Students in Yrs 7-10 are walked to their classes by staff - this avoids congestion in corridors and concerns about crowded spaces. Lunch is staggered with only one year group at a time in the canteen. Between sittings all the surfaces are thoroughly cleaned. The school is functioning well and students are attending in very high numbers - our weekly attendance rate is in excess of 96% which is excellent.

We have additional cleaning staff working constantly through the day on both sites to clean door handles, and other higher risk surfaces.

We are more or less operating according to our normal timetable and curriculum, although lunches are staggered and some classes finish slightly early. Students are able to take their usual subjects and most subjects are able to deliver the curriculum as they would have done pre-covid. Classrooms are arranged with desks facing forwards so that the risks of being seated close to each other are minimised.

We are providing individual in-class support for students with SEN/D and our teaching staff are assessing what gaps there are in the knowledge and understanding of the students. Inevitably there are some gaps because they missed so much time during lockdown. However, we are working hard to compensate for this and interventions have begun with Yr 11 in particular to help them feel more confident in their learning. I want to thank both staff and students for the fantastic way they have responded to the challenges involved in re-opening the school.

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

We still do not know what the government's plans are for the assessment of students in Yr 11 and Yr 13 next summer and I shall update you as soon as we know. We are supporting students with their mental health and well-being - most are fine and coping well but a few need the extra support we are able to provide. Our extra-curricular programme has also begun to operate again, albeit in a limited way. Walking around the school both sites are very orderly, students are calm, mature and engaging in their lessons.

We are also planning for the possibility that there might be a future lockdown, either a full lockdown as we experienced earlier in the year, or partial lockdowns in case any groups of students have to be sent home. Our Plan B is based around us being able to continue to deliver lessons to your son/daughter according to their timetable and we will do this through a mixture of live and recorded lessons.

Thank you for your support in these challenging times. We continue to review our risk assessment on a weekly basis. Please remember to follow both the school's and public health guidance to keep everyone learning safely.

Open Evening

We have produced a lovely video for our virtual Open Evening which is available on our website and which went live yesterday. We are keen that as many people as possible have the chance to experience a Holy Family education and please encourage friends and family to view the video and, if they wish, attend one of the socially distanced tours in the coming weeks.

Please continue to remember us in your prayers and have a good weekend.

With best wishes

Dr Stone, Headteacher





HEADTEACHER'S



COMMENDATIONS

This week we have commendations for the following students:

To Angelina Martin 10S and Elisjana Puci-Di Domenica 10P for excellent project work in English which they completed in the lockdown. They were nominated by their English teacher, Mrs Osborne.

To Lauren Daniels in year 10 who has been so positive and mature in her approach to returning back to school. Lauren was nominated by Ms Fitzpatrick.

To Keon Walgamage in 8I for making a great start to the term. Keon was nominated by Mrs Lazarus.

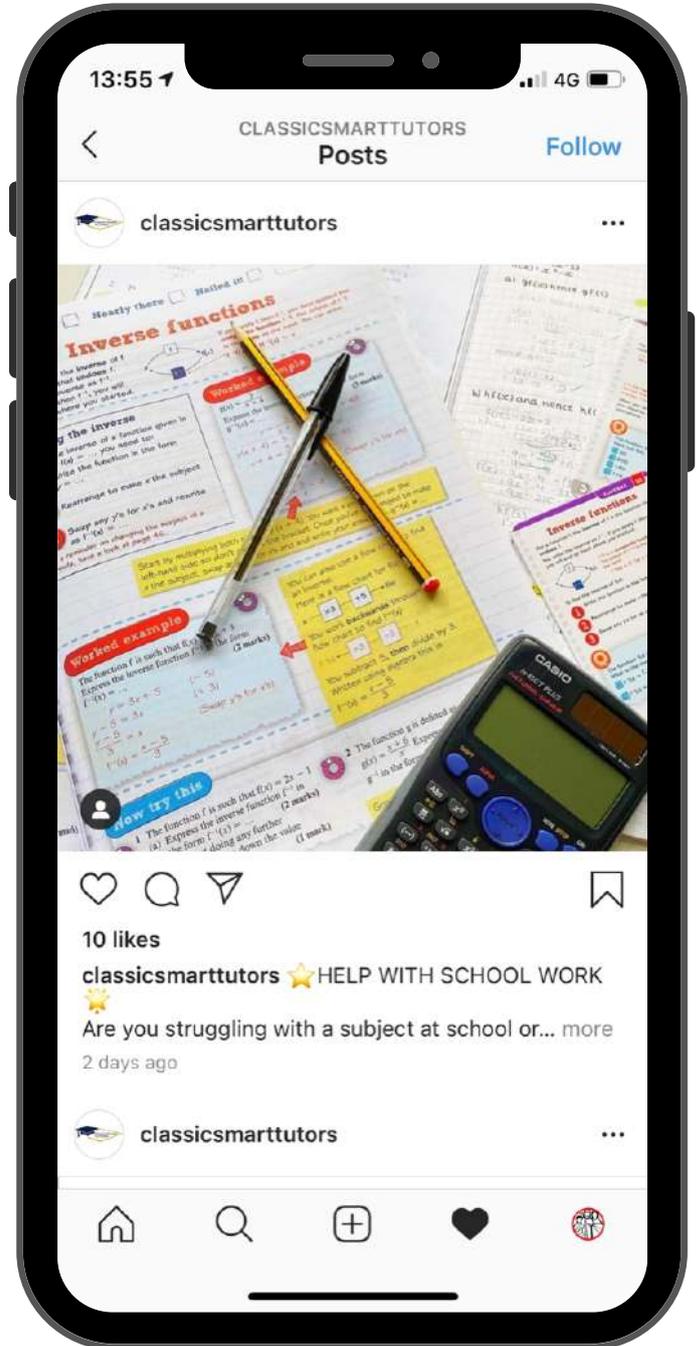
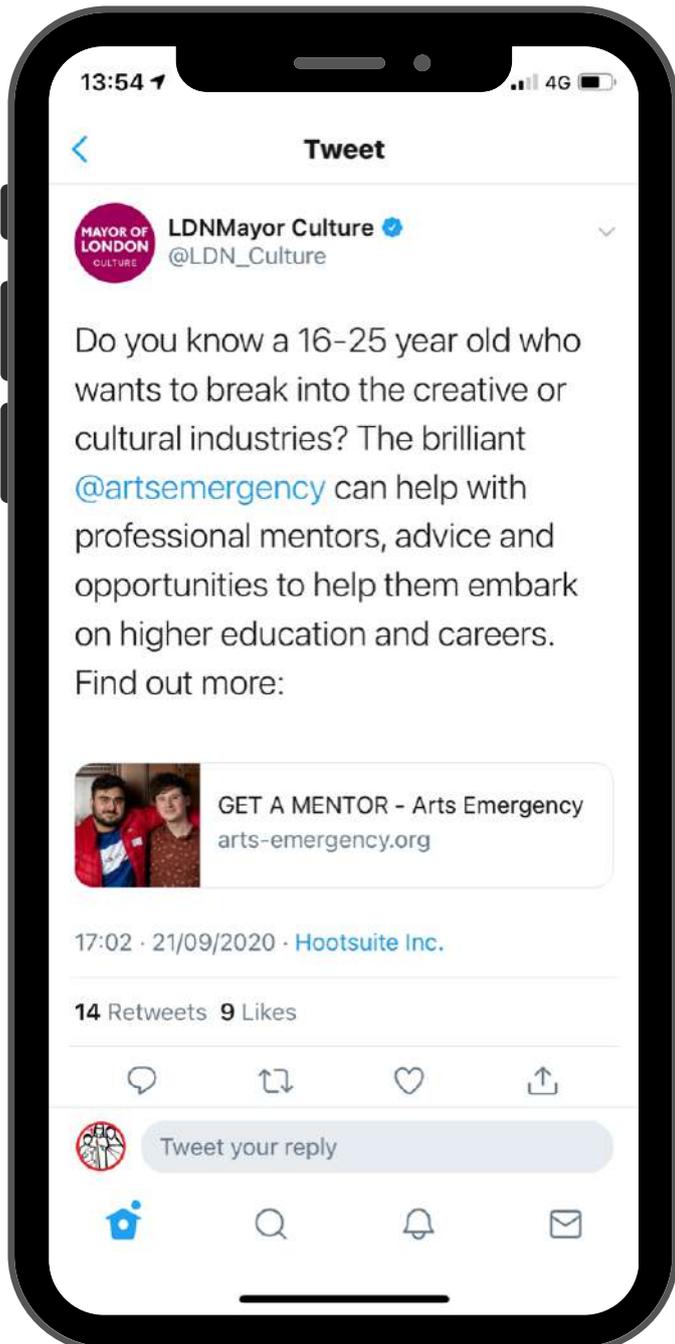
We also have a number of commendations for students who have been involved in the school's virtual Open Evening video. They were excellent in the way that they came across and they are Raphael Cabral 7A, Harry Ead-Mitchinson 7ST, Jerrell Bowen 7ST, Toniah Macaulay 7R, Gracie Prosper 7S, Emily Gromska-Seedin 7ST. They were nominated by Mrs Farrugia.

Finally this week, from Mrs Sheikh Omar, Head of MFL, who nominates the following students for being great ambassadors for the MFL Dept and for their help with the Open Evening video. They are Caspian Lee, Adam Cassamally, Melissa Marin and Brenda Mana.

SOCIAL MEDIA CATCHUP



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Holy Family Catholic School & Sixth Form

ASPIRE TO THE HOLY FAMILY WAY

Virtual Open Evening 2020

At Holy Family we provide academic success with excellent progression to leading universities including Oxford and Cambridge. Strong pastoral care is at the heart of our school. Our students are effusive about the extra-curricular opportunities provided to develop their leadership and community involvement.



Our Open Evening for prospective year 7 students will be a virtual one this year and you will be able to see our video messages, tours and information on applying to Holy Family from the 24th September 2020 via our website.

'Teachers are focused on achieving positive outcomes for students and have high aspirations for them. They have created a nurturing climate where students can excel.' Ofsted 2018



From September 2021 all year 7 students will receive a free Chromebook to aid in their learning.

This year we are also offering after school tours in small groups to comply with government guidance about social distancing (max 5 people plus guide). These tours will take place at 4pm after the school day and will give parents an opportunity to see the facilities of the school and to speak with the Headteacher. These tours can be booked via our website:

www.holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk

'The Catholic life of the school is outstanding' Diocesan Report 2019

'Students show respect for each other and work together in creating a school that cares for the whole person. The school is totally inclusive of students with different strengths and offers unstinting support to their families.' Diocesan Report 2019



Holy Family Catholic School & Sixth Form

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Web: www.holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk

Wiseman House Site

30-34 Shernhall Street, London E17 9RT

Email: office@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk



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Chaplaincy Corner

September 24 is the Solemnity of Our Lady of Walsingham.

The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham was established in 1061, when Richeldis de Faverches prayed that she might undertake some special work in honour of Our Lady. In answer to her prayer, the Virgin Mary led her in spirit to Nazareth, showed her the house where the Annunciation occurred, and asked her to build a replica in Walsingham, Norfolk.

The Holy House was built and a religious community took charge of the foundation and Walsingham became one of the greatest Shrines in Medieval Christendom.

In 1538, the Reformation caused the Priory property to be handed over to the King's Commissioners and Walsingham ceased to be a place of pilgrimage. Nothing remains today of the original shrine.

Pilgrimages began again in 1897 following restoration and in 1934 was declared to be the National Shrine of Our Lady.

Walsingham is known as England's Nazareth.

In honour of Our Lady of Walsingham and to mark European Day of Languages on Saturday, we pray:

***Dios te salve, María,
llena eres de gracia,
el Señor es contigo.***

***Bendita tú eres entre todas las mujeres,
y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús.***

***Santa María, Madre de Dios,
ruega por nosotros, pecadores,
ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte.***

Amén



Stay safe - Mrs. Grierson, Chaplain



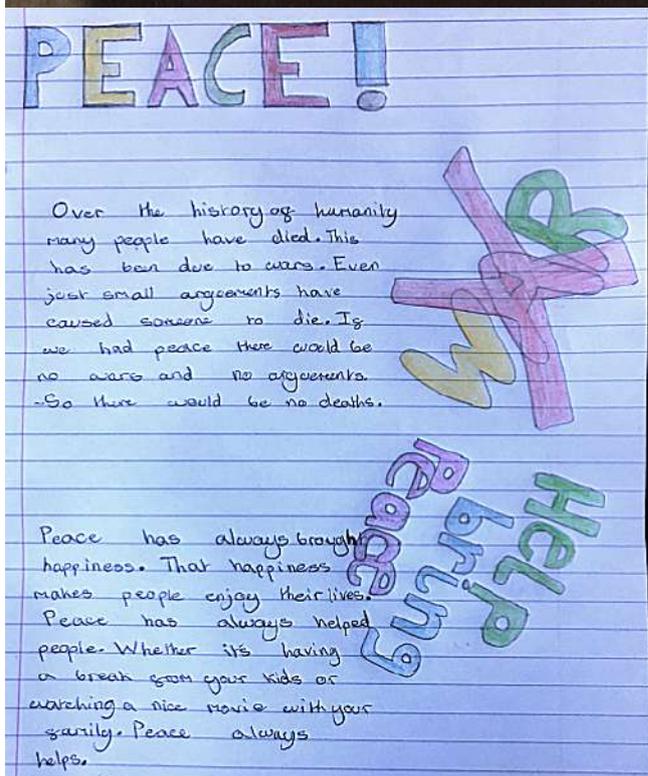
United Nations

**International Day of Peace
21 September**



Monday 21st September was International Peace Day.

The first celebration was adopted by the United Nations in 1982. It would be in 2001 that nations of the world established September 21st as International Day of Peace.



International Day of Peace

People united around the world
End all the wars and conflicts
All citizens helping each other
Celebrate peace day every day
Everyone holding hands in harmony

Peace is a world where
Enemies do not exist; where
Alliance is a norm, and
Contentment is everywhere, and
Exploration leads to tolerance and communion

People come together putting an
End to all disputes
All equal and fair
Coming up with opportunities
Enriching themselves

Peace



Peace: Freedom from disturbance; tranquillity.

Peace of mind, which is inner peace, offers countless benefits:

- Better concentration ability.
- Efficiency in handling your daily affairs of life.
- A sense of inner strength and power.
- More patience, tolerance and tact.
- Freedom from stress, anxieties and worries.
- A sense of inner happiness and bliss.

Please help each other

Enjoy the peace we have and don't disrupt it

All of us should be kind

Creation; God made the world for us to coexist together

Emotion; have a heart, be sympathetic.

SEN News

Autism

Autism is a lifelong developmental disability that affects how people perceive the world and interact with others.

Autistic people see, hear and feel the world differently to other people.

If you have autism, you are autistic for life; autism is not an illness or disease and cannot be 'cured'.

Often people feel being autistic is a fundamental aspect of their identity.

Autism is a spectrum condition.

All autistic people share certain difficulties, but being autistic will affect them in different ways. Some autistic people (but not all) also have learning disabilities, mental health issues or other conditions, meaning people need different levels of support. All people on the autism spectrum learn and develop.

Myths about autism:

- People with autism cannot understand other people's emotions
- People with autism cannot feel emotions themselves
- People with autism do not want friends
- People with autism are all the same

Positives of autism:

- Attention to detail
- Focused
- Methodical
- Accepting of other peoples differences
- Committed

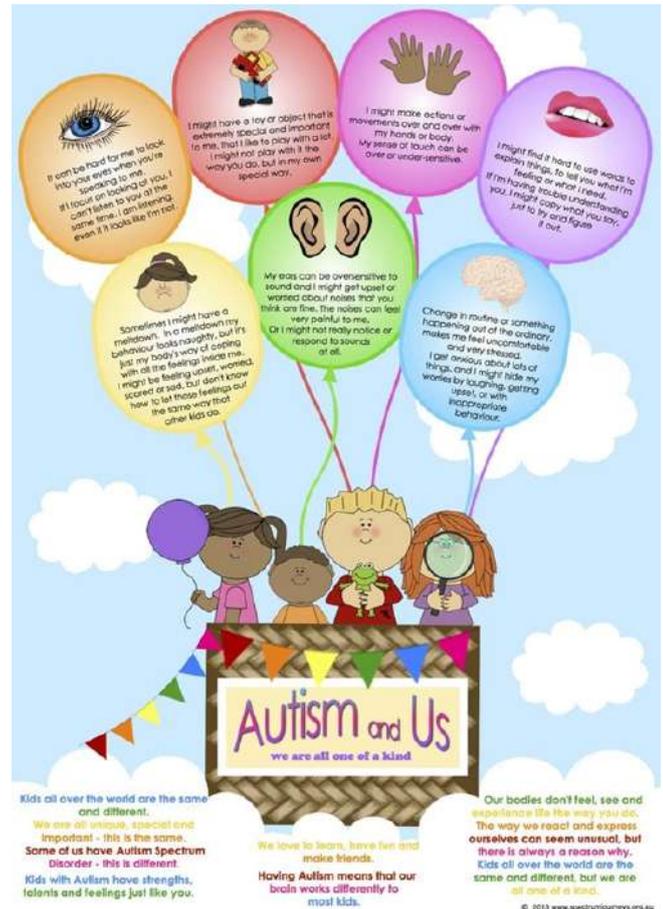
Over to you -

Do some research to find 5 famous people with autism.

The Maori word for autism is "Takiwatanga"

It means "In his/her own time and space"

ABOUT AUTISM



[Click the image below to learn more](#)



Do you have any questions about what you have read today?

If so, you can contact **Miss Minnock** our **SENDCo** (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator) a.minnock@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk.

Get to know the

HOUSE SYSTEM

AT HOLY FAMILY

The House System at Holy Family is made up of one form class from each year group 7 to 13 and each House is named in honour of a Christian Saint. We have six Houses and each House has a teacher who is a designated House Leader:

ST. ANNE

MS PARKER

ST. STEPHEN

MS ATAKAN

ST. PHILOMENA

MS SCOTT

ST. IGNATIUS

MRS HENRY

ST. RICHARD

MRS SHERWIN

ST. ELIZABETH

MR WILBRAHAM

WE CELEBRATE EACH SAINT WITH HOUSE ASSEMBLIES EACH TERM, IN WHICH THE HOUSE LEADER INSPIRES PUPILS ABOUT THE WORK OF THEIR SAINT TO GOD AND GUIDES PUPILS ON HOW THEY CAN ALSO BE LIVING SAINTS.

PUPILS ARE OFFERED THE CHANCE TO CHOOSE A CHARITY IN WHICH THEY CAN ACTIVELY MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY ORGANISING FUNDRAISING EVENTS TO RAISE MONEY. PUPILS ARE ALSO PRAISED FOR THEIR SUCCESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS WITH THE FOCUS BEING ON SPIRITUAL SELF-ACHIEVEMENT.

EACH HOUSE HAS A HOUSE CELEBRATION DAY. WE TRY TO CELEBRATE REASONABLY CLOSE TO THE SAINTS' FEAST DAY. ON THIS DAY WE TAKE SOME TIME TO REFLECT ON THE TEACHINGS OF OUR SAINTS AND TAKE PART IN TEAM BUILDING QUIZZES. STUDENTS THEN RECEIVE A HOUSE GOODY BAG!

TO RAISE A COMPETITIVE SPIRIT, THERE ARE HOUSE COMPETITION FORTNIGHTS ONCE A TERM TO FOSTER FRIENDLY COMPETITION AND FELLOWSHIP. IN THESE FORTNIGHTS, STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN A VARIETY OF COMPETITIONS AND FUNDRAISERS TO GAIN HOUSE POINTS. THESE POINTS ADD UP OVER THE YEAR AND THE WINNING HOUSE RECEIVES A REWARD!

Lord,

May we **achieve** the goals you
have set for us,

May we be grateful for all that we
study,

May we **participate** in all the
opportunities you bless us with,

May we learn to be **independent**
in all that we do,

May we **respect** all those around
us,

and most of all may we **enjoy** the
life you have granted us.

Lord hear our prayer,

Amen



ASPIRE

HOUSE COMPETITION FORTNIGHT



Monday 28th September to Friday
9th October 2020

Competitions in every subject

Earn points for your House!

WHICH HOUSE WILL WIN?



YEAR 10

STUDENT OF THE WEEK:

LAUREN DANIELS

LAUREN WAS NOMINATED BY MRS FITZPATRICK DUE TO HER CONSTANT POSITIVE ATTITUDE AND COURTEOUS BEHAVIOUR. CONGRATULATIONS LAUREN!

CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ON STARS RECEIVED LAST WEEK:

FEBYLIN, ELISJANA, TIFFANY , ANNA:

MR MADDEN HAS AWARDED THESE STARS IN ART FOR EXCELLENT HOMEWORK

HARRY, SHARON, EXAUCEE.

MS ATAKAN HAS AWARDED THESE STARS FOR BEING EXEMPLARY STUDENTS IN MATHS

HARRY AND SHARON

HAVE ANOTHER STAR IN SCIENCE ALSO FOR COMPLETING THE EXTENSION TASK

PREFECT TEAM

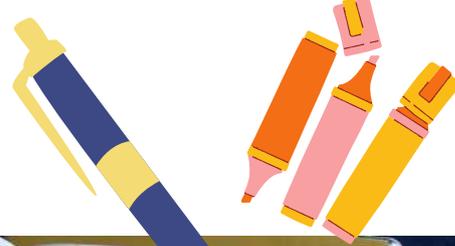


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VIKTOR OSTASH 10A
JADEN LONDONO RUIZ 10A
REDATE DENEKE 10AN
KING DAVID BOACHIE 10AN
AMELIA SZWEDO-BIELICKI 10S
ANGELINA MARTIN 10S
SAMARA JORDAN 10S
QUINCY ATA - GYAMFI 10P
SASHA THOMAS 10P
AYOMIDE AKINDAYINI 10P

MARY LETICIA ISICHEI 10PH
ISIAH RABIU ADEFENWA 10PH
THERESE SARTE 10I
JAYDN GRANT 10I
LILIANNA GODZIELEWSKA 10R
AIESHA O'GARRA 10R
ARKADIUSZ KUCIEL 10R
JOHN SHOTIKARI 10R
LORA BARANOVSKA 10E
KEVIN ACHEAMPONG 10E

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Year 7 have been sharing their experiences so far with us



Holy Family (Homework)

Holy family is a great place to learn. It is also a fantastic community for all who will be your family and you will love the school. Now you will know everything you need to know!

COMMUNITY

Religion: This perfect school is a Catholic one but they accept all religions that is one thing that makes us the community.

Uniform: This uniform is kept all others. But you still have to wear it with pride. Although it is a pretty that I don't think there is a problem.

Food: The food is delicious. It makes your mouth water. There are also break time snacks so your never hungry.

community help people

Why Go To Holy Family!!

- You can make many friends
- A lot of great teachers to meet
- Delicious food!
- You get a star if you do something good and what a star leads to is many great trips and more...
- You'll look very smart in your uniform
- 5 of my favourite subjects in Holy Family are: RE, maths, art, PE and D&T (product design)

There are many more reasons why to go Holy Family but I couldn't fit them all in

-Kristina Hernandez

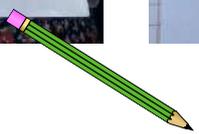
Why should you come to Holy Family Catholic School

Holy Family Catholic School is an amazing school to attend because I go there. We... am just playing.

Holy Family is a good Secondary school for the future. You'll look into it. It is also a great school. It will enable students to have a smooth transition from Year 6 to year 7. Holy Family will be able to develop ones academic potential as well as their creative ability. All factors that encourage independence. It is to say that the teachers do not help the staff are very friendly and helpful.

The school is highly praised by dated for pupils attainment and learning standards. Plus it also has a sixth form so there no need to find a new one. Overall the school provides a safe and secure learning environment for children to participate in.

Holy Family offers a variety of different subjects and teaching methods in comparison to your school. It will enable children to develop new skills including social skills. This will help in later life, especially when going to work.



AMAZING HOLY FAMILY

You can get lost in a world of amazing words!

Every one BELONGS

Great last both lessons!

Surprised Family teachers?

The PE lessons are fantastic and always get your heart pumping!

Fun and interesting things to do here is a star award chart. If you get five stars you get to go on a trip to Walsby's event. Although we have a little more homework it's still very fun to do and sometimes it's very easy.

So if your looking for a warm welcoming school then come on down to Holy Family Catholic School it's the best school you'll ever find.

Look forward to seeing you there!

CONGRATULATIONS You WON A TRIP TO... West BEIDS

BELONG!

What talks there do you want to come to Holy Family Catholic School, well your in luck because there is always a space for you.

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HOLY FAMILY The School Of Words

Amazing variety of food and drink, also has outdoor seating.

Holy Family School

Holy Family is an amazing school full of talented children and teachers. It welcomes all religions although being a Catholic school. Great playing areas and a lot of running space and one of the best things of all... THE LUNCH!

We have fun and experienced teachers and they make the best lessons.

Range of clubs and classes

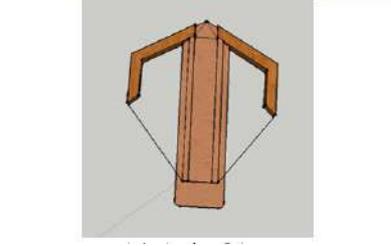
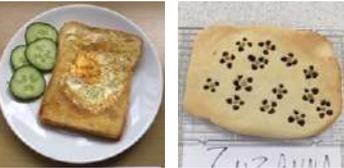
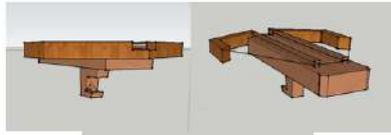
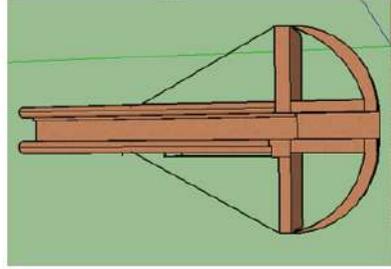
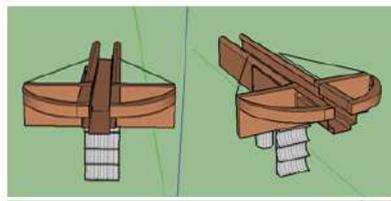
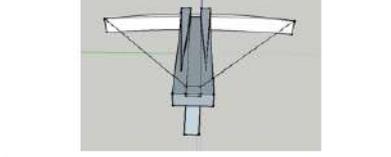
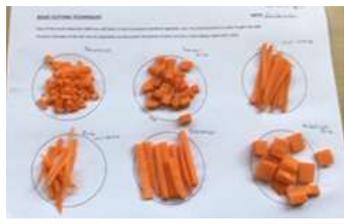
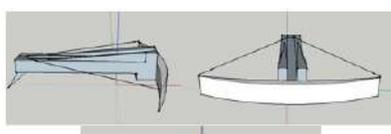
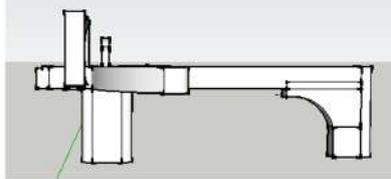
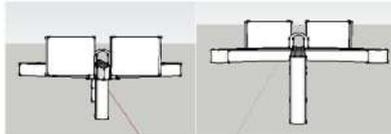
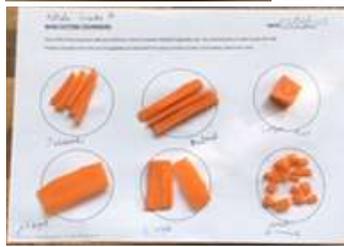
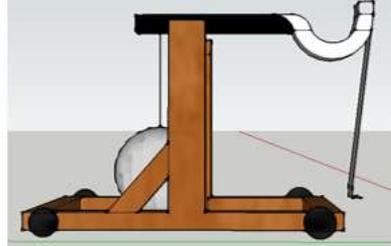
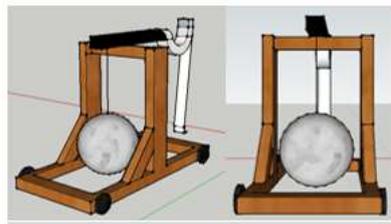
all enjoyable and educational



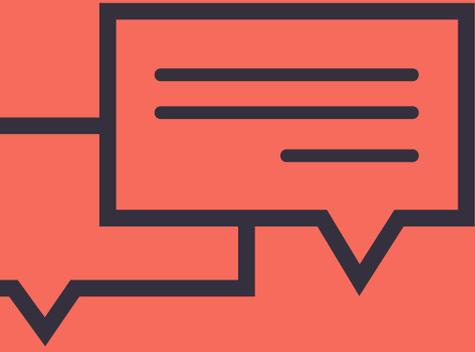
D&T ASSEMBLED

Students have been busy testing out their designs via CAD 3D drawings, mastering basic knife skills, challenging their plating up techniques with the most basic of ingredients (egg, bread, cucumber & sauces), creating edible art in the form of Garden Focaccia and practicing paper manipulation for fashion!

Very impressive!



SEPTEMBER 26TH IS THE EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES



Languages can be very funny sometimes,
for they have words which we would recognise but they
mean something totally different!

Could you guess what these words mean in some languages?

'Bank' in Dutch



'Angel' in German



'Farmer' in Hungarian



'But' in Polish



'Flint' in Swedish



'Sale' in Italian



...SO LEARN LANGUAGES TO AVOID THE
EMBARRASSMENT!!

SPACE TO
DISCUSS CONCEPTS OF RACE
AND IDENTITY

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION SESSIONS

Open to all 6th formers, this extracurricular club will culminate in the undertaking of a summer research project that will be presented in the autumn of 2021

Wednesdays via Zoom @ 4:10pm

Sign up [HERE](#)

Contact Mr Sayer for more information
mr.sayer@holyfamilycatholicschool.co.uk

FOR YEARS 8 - 11

Autumn Term

Race
Racism
Ethnicity
Gender
Sexuality
Class
Capitalism
Culture
The West
Colourism
Religion

Summer Term

Black Feminism
Black political activism
Black conservatism
Music
Film
Art
Summer projects

Spring Term

Where should we start black history?
Africa's ancient civilisations
Impact of these civilisations
Inseparable history
Black radicalism 1600-present
Approaches in black history
Post colonial Africa?
Decolonising education

**LET'S
TALK
ABOUT
RACISM**

**Every
Monday**

@ 4PM

**VIA GOOGLE MEETS
CODE: WKCCH2R**

PARENTS WELCOME

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL:
MR.SHAH@HOLYFAMILYCATHOLICSCHOOL.CO.UK



Yr 7 History Club



Do you like history?



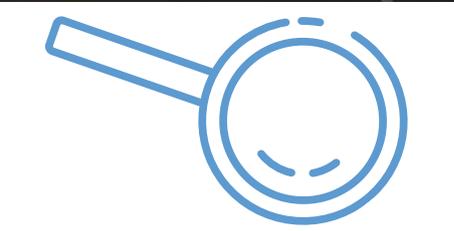
Could **you** solve a medieval murder?



Come to **L07** on **Wednesdays 3:30-4pm** to investigate the crime scene and catch the killer

History Club

THE FIRST MEDIEVAL MURDER INVESTIGATION OF 2020 WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!



Virtual work experience

Click below to find out more or email

Mr Fidegnon: j.fidegnonedoh@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk

Ms Nordon: c.nordon@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk



THE EXPERIENCE PROGRAMME

Our mission is to give all young people access to the top. By connecting our national network of schools with industry leading employers, we open young people's eyes to the possibilities ahead of them.

Our programme is run through a simple, safe-guarded portal, giving students access to opportunities, schools an easy way to manage their work experience and employers the chance to diversify their early talent pipelines and meet their social mobility goals. Sign up today.

[Sign up today](#)

OUR IMPACT



2500+

2500+ students have taken part in placements with us since the Experience programme launched and our work is growing every year



140+

We work with employers from across industries and sectors to give students access to opportunities they wouldn't otherwise be able to access



95%

of students felt they were better prepared for work after completing work experience placements or attending insight days through us



90%

of employers say we've helped them to reach students who lack access to their industry and who they wouldn't have been able to reach otherwise

Duration: 26th October to 30th October 2020

Application Deadline: 2nd October 2020

Age: 14+

DIRECT COMPANIES YOU CAN FIND A JOB WITH:
ADMIN/PROPERTY/EDUCATION/CONSTRUCTION

INSPIRATIONAL GUEST SPEAKERS

20
20



CREATING YOUR FUTURE

A WORKSHOP ENABLING YOU TO FAST FORWARD YOUR FUTURE
CAREER GOALS, INCLUDES:-

- How to create the best CV
- How to be in demand at work and in your industry
- How to market yourself in a digital world
- How to interview so you get the job you really want
- How to find enjoyment in your job

zoom event



OCTOBER 24TH 2020
10AM-2PM



FAST FORWARD YOUR FUTURE GOALS

JOBFAIR@EDUCATESTAFFING.LONDON

For more information on how to apply and bursaries to help please contact
Mr Fidegnon: j.fidegnonedoh@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk



Half Term Online Internships

Register by 30th September

Architecture | Computer Science | Engineering |
Entrepreneurship | International Politics | Investment Banking |
Law | Medicine | Psychology

Internship Highlights

Our 5-day immersive Internships consist of live interactive seminars, simulations and panels with industry professionals at the top of their game. Some of the many highlights include:

- **Medicine:** Live stream of a simulated ward round from a London training hospital
- **Law:** Participate in a 2-day murder trial; cross-examine witnesses and review forensic evidence
- **Engineering:** Watch an automotive engineer take apart a car engine, with live Q&A
- **Psychology:** Act as a forensic psychology expert witness in a simulated criminal trial
- **Investment Banking:** Compete in a cutting-edge stock trading simulation
- **Computer Science:** Work alongside top software engineers in real-time to programme the ultimate app
- **International Politics:** Represent a country in a 'Model UN' simulation during a rapidly-escalating international conflict
- **Entrepreneurship:** Pitch to real-life venture capital investors and receive live feedback
- **Architecture:** Design two unique buildings using 3-D technology

All Internships will feature an entire day dedicated to career coaching with top recruitment professionals and receipt of a personalised development plan for you to succeed in your dream career

Autumn Internships (5-days)



Applications are closing soon

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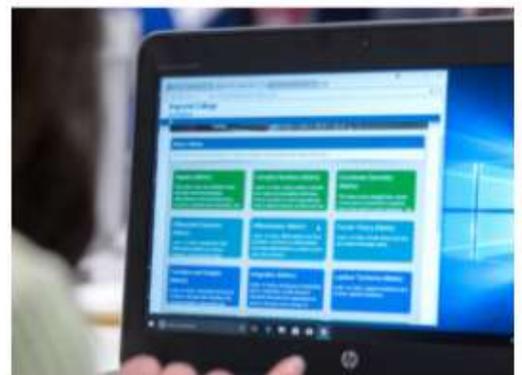
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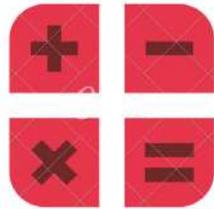
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I thought last night's session was very good. Good pace and explanations and I didn't get lost in it all. I didn't attend last weeks session, but was still ok. What I didn't understand, I asked about but you explained clearly and well.



I am enjoying the lessons. It is good to see different ways to solve questions and to see how to work through questions step by step. I appreciate you setting me the extension work and I'd like to thank you all for giving up your time to teach and set work. Looking forward to the next lesson!

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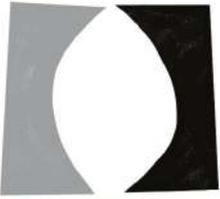
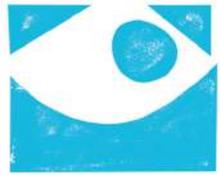
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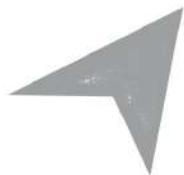
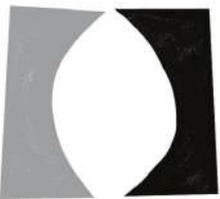
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