

# HFCS BULLETIN

*Weekly bulletin for parents & carers*

TIMETABLE: WEEK 2

## Calendar

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

SEND Surgery 3.15 - 4.15pm



Open Morning Walthamstow site

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

Open Morning Walthamstow site

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

Open Morning Wiseman site

## Catholic Life Calendar

Catholic Life and Mission

5 October 2025 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C  
Luke 17:5-10 'If you had faith.'

In Sunday's Gospel we are called to keep faith alive and active. It is a reminder that faith grows when we trust God and serve Him with simple obedience. The apostles ask Jesus to increase their faith. Jesus tells them that even faith as small as a mustard seed can move a tree.

By living out our faith each day, we grow closer to God and become a light to those around us.

4 October - Feast of St Francis of Assisi  
St Francis is the Patron Saint of animals, ecologists, families, lacemakers, merchants, needleworkers, peace and zoos!

St Francis is perhaps the most known and loved saint within the Catholic church. He gave up a life of wealth to live a life of poverty. He established the Franciscan Order of friars and the women's Order of the Poor Ladies. Francis was also known for his love of nature and animals.

Francis believed that actions were the best example, telling his followers to "Preach the Gospel at all time and when necessary use words".

Just as we hear in Sunday's Gospel

"May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven."



## Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

Feast of St Francis of Assisi – 4th October

This Saturday we celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, one of the Church's most loved saints. St Francis is remembered for his deep love of God's creation – especially animals and the natural world – and for the way he lived with simplicity, humility and joy.

At Holy Family, we are inspired by St Francis' example as we teach our students to care for the world around them. His love of creation reminds us of our responsibility to protect the environment and to act as stewards of God's gifts. This reflects the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, especially Care for Our Common Creation, where we encourage our young people to see the world as a precious gift to be nurtured, not taken for granted.

As we mark this feast day, we pray that, like St Francis, we may live with gratitude for God's creation and work together as a school community to care for the environment and for one another.

Mrs Laws

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HAPPENING THIS  
WEEK ON OUR  
SOCIAL MEDIA  
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## Headteacher's Update

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Last night our students had the privilege of attending the Jubilee Year Youth Mass at Brentwood Cathedral, celebrated by Bishop Alan. It was a truly beautiful evening of faith, joy, and community, with young people from across the diocese joining together in prayer and song.

Our Open Evening on 30th September was a great success, with even more families than in the previous year visiting and experiencing the warmth, enthusiasm and ambition of our school community.

Our Open Mornings begin next week, and I would encourage you to share this opportunity with anyone you know who may be considering secondary school choices. Registration is via the school's website.

This week our CAFOD Young Leaders have led Celebration of the Word assemblies to launch our CAFOD Harvest Fast Day fundraising. They spoke passionately about the urgent need for clean, safe water in Ethiopia, and our school community will be supporting the cause of building a community water tank.

Please do look out for the cake sales taking place next week as part of our fundraising efforts.

On the sporting front, our football team drew 1-1 against South Chingford, with Letizia named Player of the Match for some fantastic saves.

We are also pleased to share details of the Teach Major LAMDA sessions taking place at Holy Family School – please see the attached flyer for more information.

With all blessings,

Mrs Laws





LAMDA

## LAMDA at Holy Family Catholic School - Autumn Term 2 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Would you like your child to have more confidence speaking in public? Would you like them to be able to communicate better? Do they love acting and would like to work towards recognised qualifications? Then LAMDA lessons might be for you!

### What is LAMDA?

LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts) is a prestigious drama school in London offering internationally recognised Speech and Drama qualifications, overseen by OFQUAL.

### Benefits of LAMDA

- ✓ Builds confidence and self-expression
- ✓ Enhances communication and presentation skills
- ✓ Offers opportunities to perform before an audience
- ✓ Encourages creativity and engagement with a range of texts

### LAMDA private lessons (within school hours):

Tailored private lessons available for individuals or pairs. This offers 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.

Solo sessions are priced at £21 +VAT per week.

Duo sessions are priced at £16 +VAT per week.

### Schedule

Lessons start from week commencing 3rd November 2025, and will take place for 30 minutes weekly between 9:00am - 3:00pm

To register your child or express interest, please book via the link below:

<https://teachmajor.classforkids.io/venue/19/holy-family-catholic-school>

Places are limited and will be allocated strictly on a first come, first served basis.





# ***LAMDA COURSES AVAILABLE TO BOOK!***

Qualifications in acting,  
public speaking, musical  
theatre, or Shakespeare  
based on your goals.  
30 minutes weekly, during  
school hours.

**REGISTER NOW**

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