Holy Souls Catholic Primary School

Mallard Close, Acocks Green, Birmingham B27 6BN

Head Teacher: Mrs R A Girling

Summer Term, 2024

Friday 3rd May

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Dear Friends of Holy Souls,

Thank you to all who joined us at Parish Mass last Sunday. Congratulations to the Confirmandi from Year 6 who enrolled. My thanks to the staff who prepared the children so well and to our super musicians and choir. Father Marco spoke about the digital world we all rely on and how even without internet access, a signal and 5G we have a direct line to God through prayer. What a wonderful thought! Maybe we could try a switch off and digital detox this Bank Holiday and talk to God instead?

As we approach the Statutory Testing period for Year 6 we ask you to keep them in your prayers. The Y6 children are working incredibly hard and through well organised and excellent teaching are ready for this challenge!

Date	Subject	Test papers	
Monday 13 th May	English grammar; punctuation and spelling	Paper I: English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. Paper 2: Spelling	
Tuesday 14 th May	English reading	English reading	
Wednesday 15 th May		Paper I: Arithmetic Paper 2: Reasoning	
Thursday 16 th May	Mathematics	Paper 3: Reasoning	

Wishing you a very Happy Bank Holiday. Have a great day and we look forward to seeing you at 8:30am on Tuesday 7th May.

God bless, Mrs Girling

🔯 Keeping everything crossed! 🔯



Reception: Natalia Year 1: Savannah & Harley

Year 3: Skodri & Riley

Staff member: Mr Henvey Year 2: Sophie & Victor

Sophie & Victor

To bring good news, to shine for you.



Another busy week in school

- Years 1, 3, 4 and 5 enjoyed parish Mass.
- Reception learned about the role of a priest from Canon Jonathan in church.
- Mr Taylor our MAC School Improvement partner led our second meeting for staff on developing teaching and learning.
- We enjoyed Altar Server training.
- · Mr Mills and Mrs Sweeney carried out several home visits.
- We enjoyed Dance Club, Alpha Club, Soul Singers, Basketball and Football Club, Lego Club, Lunchtime Art Club and Kickboxing!

A message from Canon Jonathan and Father Marco MONTH OF MAY



As Mary's month of May begins on Wednesday, our prayerful intercession to Our Lady takes place at this special time. One of the features is the creation of a May Altar at home - a simple place for an image of Our Lady to be displayed and honoured alongside some flowers. Consider setting this up in your home this week and do email us your photos which we can put on our website and facebook page.

Please email your pictures to holysouls.bham@rcaob.org.uk

What a lovely way as a family to pray the Hail Mary everyday throughout May.

ROAD SAFETY

Thank you to all those who continue to park safely and use the local car parks for the safety of the children and us all.

This may be of interest to you. Thank you for taking the time to share your views.

Transport for West Midlands - Road Safety Action Plan Survey

During 2024 Transport for West Midlands will be updating the Road Safety Action Plan, setting out the actions they will take to halve road deaths and serious injuries by 2030.

Parents and carers can share their views on how road safety could be improved across the region by completing the Home Road Safety Action Plan Survey which closes at 5pm on Friday, 10 May 2024.

For any queries regarding the survey, please contact roadsafety@tfwm.org.uk



Happening this Saturday.

It would be great to see you. We hope the sun shines on our wonderful Village in Bloom volunteers.





Attendance



Reporting an absence

If your child is ill and they need to remain at home please contact the school office as soon as possible, stating the name of your child, the class they are in and the reason for their absence.

Telephone number: 0121 272 1776 you may also wish to inform us by Parent Mail or

Email: enquiry@holysoul.bham.sch.uk

Please do not report absence via Class Dojo. Thank you.

Is my child to ill for school?

The NHS have produced a useful guide to help parents with some common child illnesses which can be found here

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-illfor-school/

There will be protest outside Acocks Green Library on

Saturday 11th May from 2pm

They have asked for any of our families who are available to join them would be greatly appreciated



SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

If you have any matters that you may wish to discuss or information to share please do call in. We would ask that parents do not approach other parents or children in the playground. Our playground is a safe area for us all and a place where our children learn from adults as positive role models. Thank you for supporting us in teaching and displaying good manners and respectful behaviours.

Gifts from God Celebration Assembly

RG	Hanou	4WM	Noah C	
IWK	Elisa	4TW	Tendai	
IJ	Sabina	5M	Rohan	
ат	Frank	5J	Anjola	
аск	Cailan	6SC	Adam	
3M	Alexandru	6PM	Maya	
3W	Amelia	HAP	HAPPY GOLDEN TIME EVERYONE!	
Leade	rs for Learning don't forg	et to collect yo	ur pencil from Mrs. Girling!	

Sports Stars of the Week



Reception - Gabriel KSI - Jaxon (2T) KS2 - Bill (3W)

Well done Sports Stars - Coach Dylan and Coach Dom were very impressed with your skills!

RG	Seraya	4WM	Ava Rose
IWK	Jacob	4TW	Sofia
IJ	Elsie	5M	Georgina
ат	Samuel	5J	Elsa
ack	Crisbel	6SC	Evie-Rose
3M	Halea	6PM	Amelia
3W	Bill	Re	eading is fun!

Thank you for hearing your child read and completing your child's Reading Record every evening.



Times Tables Rock Stars and Numbots



Most coins collected this week

ack	Victor	4TW	Aimy		
ат	Jaxon	5J	Elsa		
3W	Elias	5M	Liam		
3M	Halea	6SC	Niamh		
4WM	Johns	6PM	Sama		
Well done trophy winners!					



Please be vigilant and check your child's hair regularly for 'head pets'.

We have had several cases reported to us in school.

Remember- if you find any unwelcome visitors the whole family should be treated.

Visit

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-andnits/#:~:text=You%20can%20treat%20head%20lice,laundry%20on%20a%20hot%20wash. for further advice