



# I am a Disciple for you Jesus



Holy Souls Catholic Primary School

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Dear Friends of Holy Souls,

I hope you had a lovely half term break and enjoyed spending time with your friends and family. A great start to the final half term and it is a busy and exciting one!

It starts with the celebration of the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at 10:00am and 12:00pm parish Mass this Sunday. Please keep the children in your prayers on this wonderful step in their journey of faith.

## We prayed together on the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D Day.

On the 6<sup>th</sup> June 1944, the largest military operation in history was launched - an invasion of mainland Europe from England, across the English Channel, to Normandy in France.

As a school we discussed the importance of this operation and how we should make sure the efforts and sacrifices made by those fighting for freedom during D-Day and the days that followed are never forgotten.

*God our refuge and strength,*

*As we remember those who faced danger and death in Normandy eighty years ago,*

*Grant us courage to pursue what is right,*

*The will to work with others,*

*And the strength to overcome tyranny and oppression.*

*We offer this prayer through Jesus Christ Our Lord now and forever.*

*Amen.*



We look forward to Sunday.  
God bless, Mrs Girling

Year 3: Bartosz & Newaeh

Year 2: Iga & Cody

Staff member: Mrs Corrigan

Year 1: Jude & Maya

Reception: Seraya

Year 4: John & Lacie

Year 5: Szymon & Nolan

Year 6: Justin & Maya



## To bring good news, to shine for you.



## The Feast of the Sacred Heart and celebrating with our Parish Family.



### **PARISH FEAST DAY - TODAY - FRIDAY 7TH JUNE 7pm**

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Such a day reminds us of the life we share in this Parish, united in Christ whose love flows to us from His Heart. The Feast Day Mass will be celebrated at 7pm followed by a party in the presbytery garden. Please, do make every effort to be part of this parish celebration. During the Mass, we will entrust every family and the entire parish to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. We will welcome Fr Alex back to the Parish as he will give the Homily at the Mass. The party last year was a wonderful occasion for us to mix and mingle and enjoy each other's company

*It would be great to see you there.*

### Holy Souls Olympics

This month long event replaces a traditional one off Sports Day which our School Council voted on and organise with Mrs Corrigan. Our launch day on Thursday was a sight to be seen as the children dressed in the colours of the country their class had drawn and they paraded in song and dance around the playground before enjoying their day. With opportunities to try Kick Boxing with and Gaelic Football with Coach Tiernan and a range of ball skills and games with Coach Colm. Well done to Year 6 for assisting throughout the day and who will be leading the games over the next four weeks. Dear our Kick Boxing Coach also brought in an Olympic 2012 Torch which was amazing!

Children we thank you all as your start to the Holy Souls Olympics was brilliant. You behaved superbly, were keen and enthusiastic and thoroughly enjoyed the day. Our thanks to our visitors and to Mrs Corrigan for making this annual event such a brilliant one! Watch this space for more photos and Olympic information and of course which class and country will be crowned champions?

# Enjoying the first day of our Olympics Sports Month!



## Gifts from God Celebration Assembly

RG	Kion	4WM	Logan
IWK	Myla Rose	4TW	Maddison
IJ	Amla	5M	Rohan
2T	Blake	5J	Darcie Rae
2CK	Isabelle	6SC	Jayden
3M	Hargun	6PM	Matina
3W	Ann	HAPPY GOLDEN TIME EVERYONE!	
Leaders for Learning don't forget to collect your pencil from Mrs. Girling!			

## Sports Stars of the Week



Reception - Amiyah

KS1 - Krystian IK

KS2 - Ryon 3W

Well done Sports Stars -

Coach Dylan and Coach Dom were very impressed with your skills!



# We love to read!

RG	Thaddeus	4WM	Nina
IWK	Eddie	4TW	Aimy
IJ	Elsie	5M	Alfie
2T	Carter	5J	Jack
2CK	Evelyn	6SC	Liam
3M	Rubie-May	6PM	Connor
3W	Jacob	Reading 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

2CK	Crisbel	4TW	Koby
2T	Ara	5J	Anjola
3W	Sophia	5M	Liam
3M	-	6SC	Michelle
4WM	Igor	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-and-nits/#:~:text=You%20can%20treat%20head%20lice,laundry%20on%20a%20hot%20wash>

for further advice

# SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING



Following a few conversations with some of our older pupils this week, we thought it would be useful to share this reminder with parents:

## What Parents Need to Know about

### Cross-Platform Sharing of Inappropriate Content

A free online safety guide on cross-platform sharing of inappropriate content.

Creepy characters like Slender Man or Huggy Wuggy. Dangerous online challenges. Songs or videos that aren't suitable for youngsters. When things like these begin trending online, it can be difficult to prevent children accidentally stumbling across them - especially if they use a range of platforms, like online games, social media, streaming sites or messaging apps. A trend can originate in one online space and rapidly spread to other platforms or via chat apps. The frightening Huggy Wuggy character, for instance, first emerged as part of a game on Steam; now there are parody songs on TikTok, videos on YouTube and more than 45,000 results for #huggywuggy on Instagram.

In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as accidental exposure, inappropriate language and unsuitable videos.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides/cross-platform-sharing>

**What Parents & Carers Need to Know about CROSS-PLATFORM SHARING OF INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**

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**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

- UNSUITABLE VIDEOS AND IMAGES**  
Anyone can upload content to a range of sites, like YouTube, Instagram, TikTok, Facebook, Snapchat, and more. Some content is inappropriate for children. It can be difficult to prevent children accidentally stumbling across them - especially if they use a range of platforms, like online games, social media, streaming sites or messaging apps. A trend can originate in one online space and rapidly spread to other platforms or via chat apps. The frightening Huggy Wuggy character, for instance, first emerged as part of a game on Steam; now there are parody songs on TikTok, videos on YouTube and more than 45,000 results for #huggywuggy on Instagram.
- INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE**  
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- COPIES OF LIVE STREAMS**  
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- ACCIDENTAL EXPOSURE**  
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**Advice for Parents & Carers**

- USE SAFETY FEATURES**  
Enable safety settings on a range of sites, like YouTube, Instagram, TikTok, Facebook, Snapchat, and more. Some content is inappropriate for children. It can be difficult to prevent children accidentally stumbling across them - especially if they use a range of platforms, like online games, social media, streaming sites or messaging apps. A trend can originate in one online space and rapidly spread to other platforms or via chat apps. The frightening Huggy Wuggy character, for instance, first emerged as part of a game on Steam; now there are parody songs on TikTok, videos on YouTube and more than 45,000 results for #huggywuggy on Instagram.
- LESS IS BEST**  
Manage the number of online platforms your child has access to. Some content is inappropriate for children. It can be difficult to prevent children accidentally stumbling across them - especially if they use a range of platforms, like online games, social media, streaming sites or messaging apps. A trend can originate in one online space and rapidly spread to other platforms or via chat apps. The frightening Huggy Wuggy character, for instance, first emerged as part of a game on Steam; now there are parody songs on TikTok, videos on YouTube and more than 45,000 results for #huggywuggy on Instagram.
- KEEP IT COMMUNAL**  
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- AVOID FAN-MADE CONTENT**  
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- REACT CALMLY**  
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- SUPPORT AND REASSURE**  
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## Punctuality

It is very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young.

It is essential that you ensure that your child arrives at school on time to prevent disruption to your child's own learning and that of others.

### Impact of lateness

Over a school year -

- 5 minutes late every day = 3 days absent
- 15 minutes late every day = 10 days absent
- 30 minutes late every day = 19 days absent

Pupils arriving late miss valuable teaching and learning time and it can contribute to them becoming anxious.