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## Holy Family Weekly Newsletter 12.03.2021

### **We follow in Jesus' footsteps**

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It's the fifth Sunday of Lent, when Jesus tells us that death is not the end.....

The Gospel of John 12:20-33

***Jesus said to his disciples, Andrew and Philip, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. In truth, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit."***

In the Gospel reading, Jesus predicted that very soon he would die and rise from the dead. This is what he meant when he said that he would be 'glorified'. His death would not be the end, but rather, the beginning of a new life with God our Father in heaven. To help his disciples understand, he asked them to think about a wheat seed.

Jesus was saying that his death would be like this – he was going to die and be buried in the silence and darkness of the tomb. But then, by God's power, he would be brought into a new and everlasting life with God the Father. This is exactly what happened to Jesus on Easter Sunday and it is this everlasting life with him that what God wants for all of us.

#### **Thoughts about Holy Family school this week.....**

##### **St Joseph's Day**

Walking through school today there has been a sea of red as we celebrate St Joseph's Day. We have a beautiful St Joseph's table laid out in the hall and all of the children, along with their teachers, have participated in a beautiful liturgy to celebrate this Feast Day. This year we are celebrating prayerfully "The Year of St. Joseph."

Pope Francis says "each of us can discover Joseph – the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence – an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble."

All classes have been busy and focused this week on teaching and learning as well as preparing themselves during Lent for the great celebration of Easter!

Darah in reception told Mrs Morrison "Peter said he didn't know Jesus. Peter was Jesus' disciple but they took Jesus away. Peter felt very sorry." We are proud of all of the children this week as they settle back into the routines and expectations of school life – well done!

##### **Easter Egg Raffle**

Our fantastic staff have donated Easter eggs and local business have also supported us with quite a number of lovely Easter eggs. All of our wonderful children will be entered into the Easter Egg Raffle throughout next week. Good luck everyone!

**Restrictions on travelling abroad - Easter holidays - guidance from Lancashire county council**

- Whilst the stay at home restrictions are in place, people are only allowed to travel abroad if they have a legally permitted reason.
- It is illegal to leave home without a reasonable excuse. This means that, all returnees to the UK must book two PCR tests (for day 2 and 8 on their return) before they are allowed to travel back to the UK for PCR test and returnees must either quarantine in the place they're staying or in a managed quarantine hotel for 10 days when they arrive in England.

In light of this guidance, anyone who travels abroad during school holidays will need to evidence negative tests on return.

**We are a Nut free school**

Please note we are a NUT FREE school. Nut products including Nutella and many chocolate spreads contain nut products and therefore cannot be bought into school.

**Coronavirus - important information**

COVID 19 - Please would all parents/carers be reminded that if someone in your household has symptoms of Covid, the whole household should isolate whilst a test is taken, and the result received. Your child should remain at home and not attend school during this time. If the result is negative, then the pupil can return to school. If it is positive, please contact school immediately. Thank you for your continued support.



**Star Awards**

YR - Isabelle & Rachael  
Y1 - Tyler & Scarlett  
Y2 - Willow & Milosz  
Y4 - Matas & Michael  
Y5 - Amber & Klara  
Y6 - Julia W & Abigail



**Good Samaritan Awards**

YR - Ruby  
Y1 - Filip  
Y2 - Leon  
Y4 - Ezrine  
Y5 - Jack  
Y6 - Ruby

**Health and Safety**

We have taken many precautions to protect all the children and staff for the return to school. Our pupil risk assessment can be found on our website which details what measures that have been put in place.

Please note the following:

- One way system for pick up and drop off, entrance to school is the gate by the staff car park and exit by the gate nearest nursery.
- Parents/Carers must not enter classrooms
- Only one parent/carer to drop off and collect
- Please respect other parent/carers whilst on the school site and outside the school premises with social distancing precautions
- Parents/Carers to wear masks whilst on the school grounds