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Incredible Years Programme

We use the Incredible Years programme in our school, where we manage children's behaviour in a positive way. It works very well because children prefer to be praised than given out to! We are continuously 'catching the children being good' and acknowledging how good they are. If you ask your child what it means when we say to them, 'Show me five!', they should be able to tell you that this means they have:

1. Hands on lap
2. Feet on the ground
3. Ears listening
4. Mouth closed
5. Eyes on teacher



They also use a 'quiet hand' and wait their turn to speak in class. We are very proud of how well behaved and respectful the pupils in our school are.

Maths Week

We are celebrating Maths Week at school with lots of fun activities and games. We will be practicing some number rhymes with the children. Please enjoy these rhymes with your child and encourage him/her to say them with you.



Halloween Dress Up Day



On this Friday the 22nd October, the children will be invited to come to school dressed up in their Halloween costume, if they wish. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions again this year, we will not be having our annual Halloween Parade for parents.

G.A.A. Football Skills

First class pupils are currently enjoying G.A.A. football training on Mondays and Tuesdays this year with coaches Cian O' Dea and Gerry Fox.

Safe Collection of Children

Please remember that you or an adult nominated by you who is listed on our class collection sheets are the only people who can collect your child from school. The safety and wellbeing of your child is always our priority.

Green Schools' News



As part of our Green Schools' Programme, every class has a recycling bin, a composting bin and a bin for other waste. The children are very good at using the correct bins. We also encourage our pupils to take pride in their classrooms and to keep them clean and tidy. There is a trophy awarded to the class with the tidiest classroom each week. Ask your child to help you with the recycling at home and of course with some of the tidying up too!!

Home School Community Liaison (HSCL) Teachers

Marina (086 6040686) and Orla (086 1529211), our HSCL teachers, are always available to chat with and to support parents and guardians. Please get in touch if you have any queries. They will be very happy to help you.

Our School Garden

Holy Family Schools have a beautiful walled garden. Parents are invited to help us to prepare it for the next growing season on Tuesday mornings from 9am – 10am. If you can give us a hand, please meet Marina outside the foyer of the Junior School at 9am on Tuesday.



Return to Educational Facility Declaration Form

Please continue to fill in a **Return to Educational Facility Declaration Form** when your child returns to school after **any absence**. This form can be accessed by clicking - <https://holfamilyjuniorschool.com/return-to-school-form/>

Calendar – Term 1

October 25 th – 29 th (inclusive)	Midterm Break	School closed
Friday, 3 rd December	Staff Training Primary Language Curriculum	Half Day – children to be collected at 12.30pm
Thursday, 23 rd December to Wednesday, 5 th January 2022 (inclusive)	Christmas Holidays	School closed
To see our calendar for the school year 2021-2022 please click here: https://holfamilyjuniorschool.com/calendar/		