**3rd September - 2022**

A very warm welcome back to school to all our parents, carers and pupils. Also we welcome Miss Winder, Mrs Durbin to the Holy Spirit Family and congratulate Mrs Crabbe as she is now Deputy Headteacher, Mr Foster our Maths and PPA teacher and Mr Cartledge who is supporting pupils in year 6. The children have had a great couple of days settling back into routine. Thank you in supporting us and for making our children of The Holy Spirit School look so proud and smart. It was lovely to see them all run through the gates! Children are currently reading to staff to identify their reading age baseline so that we can ensure your child has a reading book for next week.

**Weekly Notices**

**PE days for classes**

Children will come to school in their **School** PE kit on their PE day: Blue shorts,

* white HS Tee shirt
* under navy or HS blue Jogging Bottoms and sweatshirt.
* Black trainers or pumps

Year 4/5 Amethysts Monday

Year1/2 Emeralds Wednesday

Year 3 /4 Sapphires Thursday

Year 6 Topaz Friday

Year 6 Topaz will be swimming each Tuesday in normal HS uniform.

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**HS School Council**

Please remember that we are a healthy school and encourage a healthy school packed lunch and plain water only in their water bottles.

**We are so proud of all our Holy Spirit Super Stars. Well Done!**I think is is safe to sat that all our children and parents have returned to school brilliantly THANK YOU! We will introduce more awards this year including:Virtue, Achievement, Sports, Attendance and Headteacher Awards

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Keeping Safe : It is great that children can enjoy sitting with their friends and playing together without bubbles It is still important to continue routines that allow us to stay safe regarding COVIS19 The Holy Spirit School will continue to; Keep all classrooms and corridors ventilated; Wash hands regularly and use hand sanitiser; wear masks in crowded spaces and ensure hot spots are cleaned at least twice a day. Please do your best to support us.

**Our Parish Community *St Maximillian Kolbe***

The children enjoyed meeting our Parish Priest Fr Peter on Thursday and he blessed our school ties. This was a lovely experience for the children. Please make yourselves known to Fr Peter on Sundays at 9pm at Mass at the Holy Spirit Church all are welcome. As a Catholic School we want to invite Year 3 and year 4 children the opportunity to receive their first Holy Communion, please speak to Mrs Connolly or Father Peter.

The Wednesday word and mass newsletters with activities are emailed to you please take a few minutes to read these with your child.

Homework

**Reading**

It is essential that children read to an adult every night please complete and sign their reading journal, Reading in remaining a focus this year.

Tables: Year 4 will be sitting their tables check this year please ensure all children practise each night.

Children who do not know their tables lack fluency skills and understanding of number. This is a common barrier in succeeding in Maths.

**Please note:**

If your child is too ill to attend school please contact school before 8.45 to inform us of their absence.

Water bottles are on order if your child has not received one already.