

Thursday 30th September 2021



Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we approach the end of the first month back to school, we want to say thank you and well done to all our parents and pupils for their efforts and support to ensure a smooth transition back to school routines from the summer holidays. We fully appreciate that our mitigations and procedures can be an inconvenience at times but we aim to ensure a healthy and safe environment for everyone in our school community.

Pupil Information and Consent Form: The vast majority of parents have ensured that these forms have been returned to the class teacher. For those parents who have not yet returned them, please make sure that you complete and sign the Pupil Information and Consent Form that every child took home a few weeks ago. Please fill in the required details ASAP and return it to the class teacher.

Pupils who have not returned this form have received another copy today.

Communication with the class teacher and school: Every class teacher in Holy Cross Boys' Primary School uses a class app (Seesaw or Class Dojo) to help provide a better flow of communication between the school and home. There are many obvious benefits in the use of these apps in normal circumstances but they are particularly beneficial during present times.



key reasons for the use of these apps include:

- To communicate with parents in the case of an emergency.
- To be informed of important dates/events/activities.
- To be informed of pupil progress.
- To be informed of attitude/behaviour concerns.
- To be informed of positive praise for your son's attitude/school work.
- To communicate sickness/absence.

Unfortunately, a small number of parents (10) have not signed up to the class app.

Also, please sign up for the **School Jotter app** to be better informed of all the activities and news at HCB.

- Download the school app on **School Jotter** (in app store) and read all the information sent out from the school.



- Follow us on  **twitter@HolyCrossBoys** &  **Facebook: Holy Cross Boys' PS**



Reminder: Free School Meals (FSM): We would encourage all parents (who have children entitled to Free School Meals but not currently receiving them) to contact the Education Authority or use the link below to get this sorted asap.

<https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants/apply-for-free-school-meals-uniform-grants>

Reminder: Haircuts and Jewellery: On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in school (watches are not considered items of jewellery and may be worn). **Earrings ARE NOT PERMITTED. Hair lines or dyes ARE NOT PERMITTED.**

Thanks for your continued support and patience.

Mr K McAreyve Mr C Curran
(Principal) (Vice-Principal)