



Christmas Jumper Day

Children may wear their Christmas Jumpers on Friday 5th December for the Late Late Toy Show Day at school.

A donation of €1

is

requested to help buy playground equipment for our garden for the children to enjoy.

We will also have a Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 18th and Friday 19th December.

Children go home at 12pm for the Christmas Holidays on Friday 19th December.

Our Christmas Show 2025—The Christmas Music Mix-Up.

From tiktok to tinsel - can our school remix, reboot and rescue the Christmas playlist in time?

We look forward to welcoming all our families to our annual event to mark Christmas.

Parents of children in 2nd, 3rd and 4th class are invited to attend on Tuesday Dec 16th @11 am and parents of children in 5th and 6th are invited on Wednesday 17th Dec @ 11am.

HOLY FAMILY SENIOR SCHOOL INVITE YOU TO

THE CHRISTMAS MUSIC MIX-UP

TUESDAY DEC. 16TH @ 11.00AM
2ND, 3RD & 4TH CLASS FAMILIES

WEDNESDAY DEC. 17TH @ 11.00AM
5TH & 6TH CLASS FAMILIES

CHRISTMAS ART & CRAFT WITH MAGDA

FRIDAY, 14 NOV
9.00AM - 11.00PM
4 WEEK COURSE FOR PARENTS ONLY

Create some simple decorations in the most creative and festive way possible. 10 places available.

Text Darryl to Register :
0866040686

Clare Local Development Company
Creative Enterprise Funded by An Bord Fáilte



School closes at 2:30 pm for Parent Teacher meetings on Tuesday 25th Nov.
Meetings continue on Wednesday 26th Nov.
Be sure to book your slot on Aladdin or contact office.

Join Us!

HOLY FAMILY GARDENING

FOR PARENTS

Every Tuesday	9.00 - 10.00	School garden
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The construction works are complete. The school garden gates have reopened. Calling on all parents to come and help us create a wonderful space for the entire school community.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

HERE EVERYDAY,
READY AND ON TIME



Less than 5
days missed



More than 5
days missed



More than 15
days missed

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| ✓ KEEP FRIENDS | ✗ LOSE FRIENDS |
| ✓ BE A GOOD READER | ✗ PROBLEMS WITH READING |
| ✓ ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT | ✗ ACADEMIC PROBLEMS ESPECIALLY MATHS & ENGLISH |
| ✓ ABLE TO COPE | ✗ STRUGGLING TO COPE |
| ✓ ENJOYING SCHOOL LIFE | ✗ EARLY SCHOOL DROP OUT |



School Attendance - Every Day Matters

Our school has been chosen to be part of a new, exciting **ANSEO Pilot** Initiative from TESS and the Department of Education to improve school attendance nationally.

We are encouraging all families to support their child's good school attendance.

Attending school regularly helps children feel settled, connected, and confident in their learning.

The HSE advises that children can attend school with a slight cough, sore throat, or runny nose, as long as they are well otherwise.

If your child is reluctant to attend or is experiencing any difficulties, please contact the school so we can support you as soon as possible.

Working together will help ensure every child feels safe, included and ready to learn.

We are very proud of our new poster highlighting all the benefits of Good Attendance and the problems that arise from Poor Attendance.

Holy Family School Uniform

Our school uniform is now available at Manix Menswear, Market Street. Call in to Pdraig and he and his staff will look after you.

We wish Liam from McCanon's a very Happy Retirement after 50 years in his shop.

Thank you for ensuring your child comes to school every day dressed in their school uniform which consists of the blue crested jumper, navy tracksuit bottoms (no logos, no leggings and no black clothing) and their white polo shirt. We are very proud of our school uniform.



'Have your Say' - Primary School Survey.

A gentle reminder to complete this short 5-minute survey to help the Department of Education and Youth plan how we provide education at primary school level. Log onto www.gov.ie/primaryschoolssurvey to complete or follow the link sent on Aladdin. You will need your Eircode.

Peace Proms 2026

Our Peace Proms concert is on Sunday March 8th at 1pm.

Tickets on sale now via the link already sent on Aladdin or log into the Peace Proms website for the ticket tailor link.

A reminder to those attending Peace Proms to pay the bus money via Aladdin Connect or to Lucy in the office.

This is going to be a concert you don't want to miss!



Sacraments - 2026 - 2nd class.

26/02/2026 @ 6pm First Confession.

23/05/2026 @ 11am
First Holy
Communion.



Sacraments - 2026 - 6th class.

24/03/2026 @ 8pm Ceremony of Light.

27/03/2026 @ 11am Confirmation.



No Mobile Phones or Internet enabled Electronic Devices allowed at School.

A reminder that there is a strict ban on mobile phones and internet enabled electronic devices in school. This is to keep all safe. You can make contact through our school office phone 0656828893 or our school mobile 0864167518. We appreciate your support on this matter.

Secondary School Applications for 6th Class Students.

The closing date for applications for Ennis Secondary Schools is
Friday 9th January at 12:30 pm.

We strongly urge families to have submitted their application form along with a copy of your child's birth cert by Christmas.

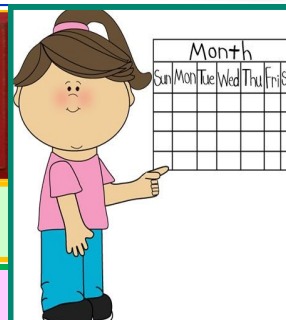
If you require assistance with the application form, our HSCL will be available at our Parent-Teacher meetings to assist or you can call direct on the HSCL mobile 0866040686.



IT'S THE MOST
wonderful time
OF THE YEAR!

Calendar 2025 — 2026

Christmas Holidays:	Monday 22nd Dec., 2025 to Friday 2nd Jan., 2026 inclusive School reopens on Monday, 5th Jan. 2026 @ 9am.
St. Brigid's Day Weekend:	Monday 2nd Feb., 2026 - school closed.
Mid-term break:	Thursday 19th Feb. to Friday 20th Feb. inclusive - school closed.
School Closure for Teacher Training:	Friday 13th March - school closed.
St. Patrick's Day Weekend:	Monday 16th March to Tuesday 17th March 2026 inclusive – school closed.
Easter Holidays:	Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April 2026 inclusive. School reopens on Monday 13th April, 2026 @ 9am.
May Bank Holiday:	Monday, 4th May - Friday 8th May - school closed.
June Bank Holiday:	Monday 1st June, 2026 - school closed.
School Closure for Teacher Training:	Friday 5th June, 2026 - school closed.
Summer Holidays:	School closes at 12pm on Fri 26th June 2026



HOLY FAMILY

ENGLISH CLASS FOR PARENTS



English Classes every
Wednesday .

The classes take place in the
Parents' Room every
Wednesday from 9 – 10am

More details: 0866040686

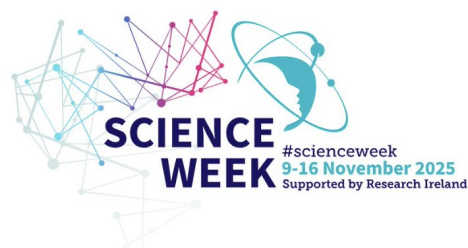
Science Week 2025. What an Amazing Week!

We had an incredible time celebrating Science Week 2025!

Throughout the week, students took part in exciting experiments, hands-on activities, and fun STEM challenges that sparked curiosity and creativity.

We finished with our brilliant Science Fair, where children proudly showcased their experiments to other classes. It was fantastic to see so much teamwork, enthusiasm, and scientific thinking.

We're already looking forward to next year!



Christmas Dinner 2025

Christmas dinner will be served to all the boys and girls on Thursday 18th December in the café. This is always a wonderful celebration and enjoyed by all! Linda and Paulette will need some additional help serving on that day - if you would like to volunteer to help please contact HSCL.



Internet Safety Talk for 5th and 6th Class

We are so fortunate to have Dr. Maureen Griffin come to our school on Tuesday 25th Nov to speak with our 5th and 6th class students about staying safe online, cyber-bullying and keeping our wellbeing in check.

It is very important that we have full attendance at school on the day.



Bí Cineálta Student Policy



We want everyone at our school to feel safe and happy. If you think that you or someone else is being bullied, you need to tell a teacher or another adult that you trust. They will know what to do to help.

**Get
help!**

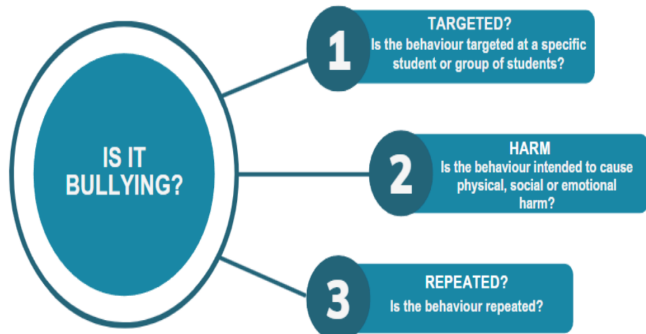
**Tell
someone!**

If a student tells a staff member that they think they are being bullied, we will:

- talk with the student
- ask the student what they want to happen
- work out a plan together
- talk to their parents
- talk to the other student(s)
- talk to the other student's parents

Holy Family Senior School has a Bí Cineálta policy to try to stop bullying behaviour. We look at this policy every year to see what is working well or what we could do better. We will always consult with our students when reviewing the policy.

Bullying behaviour is when someone keeps being mean or hurtful to others over and over again. When it happens alot. Not just once.



If your answer is YES to all 3 questions above - then the behaviour is Bullying Behaviour