



27 September 2021



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It is hard to believe that we are almost a full month back in Holy Cross! I am happy to report that all the children and staff have settled back into the daily school routine and as usual there is a lovely atmosphere in our school.

Some of you may have read recent updates from the Government surrounding Covid 19 and contact tracing in schools. You can read the details of new contact tracing guidelines on the HSE website via the link below.

<https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/covid19/contact-tracing/if-your-child-is-a-close-contact/>

We are doing everything we can in Holy Cross to ensure the safety of every pupil and staff member. I would like to thank all our parents for your support and understanding this month and in particular for not sending your children to school if they are displaying any symptoms of Covid 19. Unfortunately, the latest guidance for schools requires us to keep using the "Pod & Bubble" system in senior classes (junior classes are not required to be organised in pods). This has a knock on effect for some extra curricular activities where we cannot have children from different classes mixing together. We all have our fingers crossed that these protocols will not be necessary for too much longer and that we can soon begin re-introducing these activities in Holy Cross.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



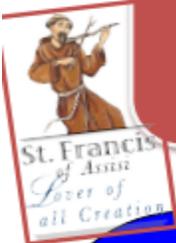
This week's photo is of Mr. Jackson's Rang 1 enjoying GAA coaching with Naomh Olaf GAA Club Coach, Chloe Ní Cheallaigh. Great to see our children outside, enjoying some fun, healthy activity!

Holy Cross School 75 Years in Current Location

Yesterday, Holy Cross Parish celebrated a very special occasion during the 10:30 Family Mass. Holy Cross School moved to its current location in 1946. Unfortunately, due to Covid 19, we were unable to celebrate formally last year. Fingers crossed later in this academic year we will be able to have a bigger celebration and a larger community get-together!

There was a VIP present also! The Parish used this occasion to thank Mr. MacMathúna for his many years of service to our school and our community. It was great to see Mr. Mac and his family there and we wish him all the very best in his secondment to Dublin West Education Centre.

*The Annual Blessing of the Pets takes place this coming weekend.
Details below!*



**Blessing of
the Animals**

SUNDAY 3rd
October
Time: 3pm
Outside

**Holy Cross
Church**

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