

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN

19 January 2024

Dear Parents

Attendance Matters

Here are the figures for week ending 12 January 2024.

Inf 1	96.8
Inf 2	96.7
Inf 3	91.7
Inf 4	96.7
Inf 5	86.7
Inf 6*	98.0
J1	92.6
J2	85.6
J3	84.0
J4	88.0
J5	94.1
J6*	98.7
J7	89.7
J8	88.6
Total for whole school	91.20%

Our whole school attendance target as set by the Department of Education is 96.7%. Inf 6 & J6 were the winners of the class attendance awards and well done to the classes in green who met the target.

New Website

As reported in the bulletin last week, our new school website is now live. I hope that you have had a chance to have a look at it and have found it informative and easy to navigate. We are still working on further information for a couple of the tabs so please bear with us while we finalise some documents. If any parents/carers have any constructive feedback that you think we would find useful regarding the website, then please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Online Safety

Many of our pupils will have received new technology for Christmas and for some, it may be the first time that they have been given a new devices of their own. This can be a daunting time for parents in terms of keeping children safe whilst online. Please take the time to click on the link below which shares some useful tips for parents.

Our Safety Centre

As with all online activity, please be vigilant and monitor your child's device regularly. We wouldn't allow our children to go out and about without guidance around safety and appropriate behaviour, and we set boundaries about where they can go. Internet safety requires the same approach. If a concern does arise, please try to avoid using the confiscation of your child's device as a consequence if they report an issue to you, as expert advice is, that the fear of losing time online may prevent them from sharing any issues with you in the future.

Nursery Toilets Refurbishment

Please remember that our Nursery toilets are scheduled for a complete refurbishment during February half term, and I have agreed to close nursery for the last Friday before the half term break i.e. Friday 9th February, to allow the contractors to commence works. Again, please accept my apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause.

Holiday requests during term time

As we move into the warmer months of spring and summer can I please remind you that holidays in term time are unauthorised (unless considered exceptional circumstances). Where possible we try to plan our Inset Days next to a school break to try and help a little with cheaper flights etc. Whilst I understand the frustration families face with holiday companies inflating prices during school holidays, I urge you to consider the hours of schooling that your child misses. Many thanks.

Holy Rosary Parish Newsletter

Please see the attached link which takes you directly to the Holy Rosary Parish website, where you can view the most recent Parish Newsletters. By accessing this link holyrosarychurch.co.uk you will be able to find out what is happening in the parish, the Archdiocese, and the wider community.

Diary for w/c 22 January 2024

Monday Football (Invited) - Boys - Yr. 5 & Yr. 6 - ends 4.15 pm

Football (Invited) – Girls – Yr. 5 & Yr. 6 – ends 4.15 pm

Gymnastics - Yr. 4 - ends 4.15pm

J2 Swimming - ends 20th February 2024 Tuesday

> Mother Dough Cookery - Yr. 5 - ends 4.15 pm Performing Arts Club - Yr. 2 - ends 4.15 pm

Dodgeball - Yr3. & Yr. 4 – ends 4.15 pm

Wednesday Thursday Choir - Yr. 5 & Yr. 6 - ends 4.00 pm

Sign Language - Yr. 3 - ends 4.15 pm Football - Yr. 3 & Yr. 4- ends 4.15 pm

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FUTURE DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 24th January 2024 – J4 Class assembly 9.10am – School Hall Wednesday 28th February 2024 – J3 Class assembly 9.10am - School Hall Friday 9th February 2024 – Nursery CLOSED for toilet refurbishment. Friday 9th February 2024 – School finished for Half Term Break – Normal finish time. Monday 19th February 2024 – Return to school after Half Term Break Friday 15th March 2024 – Review Day Wednesday 27th March 2024 – Disco Day (own clothes) Thursday 28th March 2024 – School Finishes for Easter Break – EARLY 2:15pm Monday 15th April Return to School