



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

22 March 2024

Dear Parents

Attendance Matters

Here are the figures for week ending 22 March 2024.

Inf 1	87.1
Inf 2	95.7
Inf 3	94.8
Inf 4	93.0
Inf 5	97.3
Inf 6	93.7
J1*	98.4
J2*	98.4
J3	93.3
J4	90.7
J5	94.8
J6	95.8
J7	91.9
J8	97.5
Total for whole school	94.6%

Our whole school attendance target as set by the Department of Education is 96.7%.
The winners of the class attendance award this week are J1 and J2 (J1 – 4 weeks in a row!)
Well done to the classes highlighted in green who met the target!

Bishop Tom Neylon Visit

Bishop Tom Neylon visited our school on Wednesday as part of his diocesan work. He joined our Key Stage One assembly and spent time in all the Key Stage Two classes, where he kindly answered the children's questions, ranging from what it is like to be a Bishop to what football team he supports! Some of our older pupils were intrigued by the large gold cross that Bishop Tom wore around his neck and couldn't quite believe it when Bishop Tom happily allowed them to hold it, while he told them about the details engraved on it, linked to the Gospels. It was a real honour to have Bishop Tom with us for the day and we would like to thank him for taking time out of his busy schedule to visit our lovely school.

Neurodiversity Celebration Week

Neurodiversity Celebration Week is about celebrating the strengths and talents of people who think and learn differently. It is also about recognising hard work and determination. This week, the children in Key Stage 2 have participated in assemblies where they have been reminded that whatever our differences and challenges, everyone also has their own talents. The children have also been reminded of the importance of being kind and accepting of everyone. They have enjoyed learning about a few of the many people who have ADHD, autism, dyslexia, dyspraxia or Tourette Syndrome and how successful these people have become because of their unique way of thinking.

British Sign Language Week

Lyndsey from Sefton Hearing Needs Team has helped us celebrate British Sign Language Week this week in school. Lyndsey delivered workshops to all the children in Nursery to Year 6. All children were taught to sign different greetings and how to say please and thank you. The children and staff in Early Years and KS1 enjoyed singing and signing about animals. The children in KS2 learnt how to sign a very catchy song about the Romans! The children in

Year 6 also learnt how to sign different feelings. Lyndsey commented on how well behaved all the children were and how well everyone participated in the sessions.

Key Stage Two Science Week

This week, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 took part in our annual Key Stage Two science fair. The children have had two fabulous afternoons sharing their science experiments with their peers. It was great to see so many projects linked to science topics the children have covered throughout their time at Holy Rosary. We had everything from robots to demonstrations of the circulatory system - and of course a few volcanoes! Throughout both afternoons, there was a buzz about the school! Thank you to all who took part; it was fantastic to see all the effort the children had put into their projects.

Summer Uniform

When the children return to school after the Spring Break, they can if they wish, wear the summer uniform. Please note the following regarding summer uniform: -

Boys	White polo shirt Royal Blue Jumper Grey school shorts or trousers
Girls	Light Blue checked dress White socks Royal Blue Cardigan

Girls must wear a checked dress. Currently the shops are offering all manner of playsuits/ bib and brace/ shorts and top type outfits, but these are not suitable school wear. Some girls like to wear cycling type shorts under their summer dress, and this is perfectly acceptable.

Please ensure that sensible black school shoes are worn and not "flimsy" summer sandals, or any colour other than black. Trainers, jelly shoes, sandals etc. are not acceptable footwear for school. Thank you.

School Disco

The School Discos will take place on Wednesday 27th March 2024 during the school day for pupils in Reception to Y6. The children can wear their own clothes to come to school that day. We ask that the children bring a voluntary contribution of £2.00 for the disco and refreshments.

Although the children in nursery do not take part in the main discos, they may still come in their own clothes and will receive refreshments.

The Big Lent Walk for CAFOD

On Tuesday 26th March we are taking part in the Big Lent Walk to raise money for CAFOD. Children should bring an old pair of trainers into school to wear (as the field may be muddy). Please look out for a separate Parentmail with more information about the walk and a link to our school Just Giving page. Thank you.

Scooters and bikes

One of our pupils brought a brand-new scooter into school today, which has been broken beyond repair whilst in our bike shed. As you can imagine, the little boy is devastated. May I ask you to make sure that children do not play in the bike shed whilst waiting to collect siblings at the end of the school day, and to ensure that your children take extra care when collecting their own bikes/scooters, so as not to damage the property of others accidentally. Whilst bikes and scooters are left here at your own risk, it's very upsetting for little ones when these things happen.

Can I also remind you, for safety reasons, to ensure that your children dismount from any wheeled toys as they arrive at school. Many thanks.

After School Clubs

There will be no after school clubs next week, with the exception of Mother Dough for Y5, as this was pre-booked and is the last session for those Y5 pupils who have been attending.

School Health Online Drop-in Clinic

The School Health Team will be holding a parent online drop-in session via Attend Anywhere on: Friday 5th April between 9:00 and 11:00 am
Please see attached information leaflet explaining this process and how to access the platform.

If you are unable to attend either of these allocated sessions but still wish to speak to the school health team. Please contact them on: Tel: 0151 247 6354 or via email: mcn-tr.seftonschoolhealth@nhs.net

SEND Parent / Carer Survey 2024

We have been asked to share the SEND Parent and Carer Survey 2024 with Parents/Carers of children with SEND. Please see the attached poster for further details.

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme - Easter 2024

The HAF Programme is offering a range of free activities over Easter for children who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals. Please have a look at the attached information for further information on the activities and how to book places.

Sefton Be Active Easter Holiday Guide

Over the Easter holiday, fully qualified, experienced and enthusiastic Be Active coaches deliver a great range of activities to children aged 3-16 across Sefton. These activities are a fantastic way for children to keep active, have fun and make friends in a safe environment. Activities include one to five day camps, shorter workshops and reduced cost swim and splash sessions. Please see the attached Be Active Guide for April 2024 for more details.

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 holyroarychurch.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 March 2024

Monday	No After School Clubs
Tuesday	J1 Swimming – ends 16 th April 2024 Big Lent Walk Mother Dough ASC – Y5
Wednesday	Disco Day (own clothes)
Thursday	School Finishes for Easter Break – EARLY 2:15pm

M Stevenson

FUTURE DATES FOR THE DIARY
Monday 15th April Return to School