



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

9 March 2018

Dear Parents

Attendance Matters

Here are the figures for week ending 2 March 2018:-

Inf 1	89%
Inf 2	97.7%
Inf 3	94.5%
Inf 4	96.3%
Inf 5	94.8%
Inf 6	98.6%
J1	95.3%
J2	95.7%
J3	88%
J4	92.4%
J5	90.7%
J6	95.2%
J7	96.8%
J8	95%
Total for whole school	94.29%

We did not meet our target last week.

'Smiggle' Friday

This Friday's winners were Niamh in J6 and Christel in Infant 5.

Please remember that for your child's name to be entered into the weekly Smiggle draw they need to have achieved 100% attendance the previous week.

Keeping us Informed

It is very important to let us know if you have changed your address and/or telephone number and those of any emergency contacts, as we sometimes have difficulty in contacting parents if their child is feeling unwell. Please either telephone or call into the office to update your details. Thank you

Snow Day – Thursday 8 March 2018

Well, what a surprise the snow was on Thursday! Mr Kinsey was determined to make the school safe for us all, but unfortunately, by 8am I had received many messages from staff who could not get to school, and about how dangerous the streets around the school were. As always the health and safety of our whole school community must be my first priority and so the decision had to be taken to close the school for the morning. The school office sent out over 700 e-mails. If you did not receive one, please check that your number in school is correct. The school website was immediately updated, so this is always a great source of information. Let's hope we have seen the last of the snow!!!

J3 Assembly

Thanks to everyone who came to J3 s assembly this week. It was an entertaining and prayerful occasion.

Minnie Vinnies – Easter Egg collection – reminder

The Minnie Vinnies are collecting Easter eggs to go to a local food bank for local children. Any donations of Easter eggs would be greatly appreciated. Please pass any eggs into school – they will be delivered before we finish for the Easter holidays.

Bake Sale & Fair Trade

Thanks to everyone who baked cakes for our bake sale today. After every child had had a cake, we held a sale at the end of the day which was, as usual very well supported by all our wonderful parents.

The “Minnie Vinnie’s” have been so excited about today and have worked tirelessly to make this a success. All money collected will be forwarded to Fairtrade and I will let you know the total next week.

All cake tins/tubs etc will be available for collection on Monday.

Friends of Holy Rosary – Easter Draw

The Friends of Holy Rosary have organised an Easter Raffle. The children will be bringing the tickets home this evening. Please return the ticket stubs and payment to school by Wednesday 21 March 2018. The Raffle will be taking place during an assembly at school on Thursday 22 March 2018.

Stay and Count

The parents of Reception children had a great morning on Tuesday at the Stay and Count Session. The children loved showing their parents and grandparents what they have been learning about in Maths. The Maths PowerPoint from the presentation will be uploaded to the school website for your information.

Levy

Thanks to all the families who have sent in their payment for this year’s levy. We would be very grateful if payments sent into school before we finish for the Easter holidays. Thank you.

Kingswood Residential – September 2018

The parents of children in Year 5 will have received a letter this week detailing the payment arrangements for the Kingswood trip in September.

Lent and the Good Shepherd Collection – reminder

During Lent, in keeping with the idea of “giving without receiving” we ask the children to bring money into school in support of the work of the Nugent Care Society in Liverpool. All money raised will go to support people in the Merseyside area.

Review Day – 16 March 2018 – reminder

Review Day takes place next Friday 16 March 2018. Thanks to everyone who has made an appointment. If you are having difficulties with the ParentMail App please speak to a member of the office staff. The children are asked to accompany their parents to the meeting.

As Mrs Stanley is currently off sick, we will make an alternative date for J4’s review day when Mrs Stanley returns to school.

Please remember communication between home and school is very important and if you have the Holy Rosary School App you will receive information from school direct to your phone. If you have not yet downloaded the App please go to either the Apple App Store or Google Play and search for “Holy Rosary Aintree”. The App is free to download – by having the App on your mobile phone all ParentMail messages from school will be held in the one place and will be easy to find. Thank you.

Closure of Wango Lane Bridge

We sent a ParentMail earlier this week to advise you that Hancock’s Bridge on Wango Lane will be closing from 10 March to 30 March 2018. This closure may impact on your journey to and from school.

School Meals – Price Increase – reminder

We have been informed by Sefton Council that the price of school meals is being increased with effect from 1 April 2018. The cost of a school meal will be increased from £2.00 to £2.10. This is the first price increase for 18 months. At £2.10, Sefton's meal charge will be amongst the lowest on Merseyside for school pupils.

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 <https://www.parishofholYROsary.co.uk/newsletters>. By accessing this link you will be able to find out what is happening in the parish, the Archdiocese and the wider community. Thank you.

Health Screening for children in Reception – reminder

The children in Reception had their Health Screening undertaken recently. The audiologists from Alder Hey will be visiting school next Tuesday 13 March to undertake retests for those children who did not pass the hearing test.

School Nurse Drop-In Sessions

The dates for this year's School Nurse Drop-In Clinics are:-

Wednesday 25 April 2018

Wednesday 20 June 2018

The clinic will be held in school between 8.45 and 9.30 am – so if you wish to see the nurse, please just report to the school office. During the clinics the nurse will be available for a confidential service regarding your child's health and development, including health promotion advice and signposting to others for information and support. The nurse is based at Maghull Health Centre – telephone 0151 222 3437.

Fit for Life Group

The Fit for Life group meet at Holy Rosary Church, for mass at 10.00 am, on the first Thursday of every month. After mass they go for a coffee and a chat in the Hope Centre on Aintree Lane. There is no Fit for Life Group walk in April due to the Easter Holidays. The group next meet on:-

Thursday 3 May 2018

All parents/grandparents/carers are welcome to join in.

MRS C MORRIS

Headteacher

Diary for w/c 12 March 2018

Monday	J2 Swimming Computer Code Club – Years 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm Handball After School Club – Year 4 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm
Tuesday	Football Training – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm Rugby After School Club – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm
Wednesday	Netball – Years 5 and 6 at lunchtime Dance Club – Year 2 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm
Thursday	IDL Club – 3.15 to 4.00 pm Fencing – Year 4 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm
Friday	Basketball – Year 3 at lunchtime

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 16 March – Review Day – non-school day for children
- 20 March – Sacramental Programme meeting (Session 6) for Year 4 children and parents
- 21 March – Deaf Active Assembly 2.45 pm – for parents of children in Year 5
- 23 March – end of term – early finish at 2.15 pm
- 26 March to 6 April – Easter Holidays
- 9 April – INSET day
- 10 April – return to school
- 24 April – Sacramental Programme meeting (Session 7) for Year 4 children and parents
- 28 April – First Holy Communion Mass – children in J3
- 5 May – First Holy Communion Mass – children in J4