



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

10 February 2017

Dear Parents

Attendance Matters

We continue to work hard to improve our attendance figures – **our school target is 96.5%**. Please help us to achieve this target.

Here are the figures week commencing 30 January 2017:-

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| Inf 1 | 94% |
| Inf 2 | 87.1% |
| Inf 3 | 96.2% |
| Inf 4 | 93.2% |
| Inf 5 | 97.9% |
| Inf 6 | 99.3% |
| J1 | 94.5% |
| J2 | 98.3% |
| J3 | 93.3% |
| J4 | 99.7% |
| J5 | 98.7% |
| J6 | 94.1% |
| J7 | 100% |
| J8 | 93.3% |
| Total for whole school | 95.7% |

Our target was not met last week.

But well done to J7 for achieving 100%. Well done!

Violin Concert – for parents of children in J6

Well done to all the children in J6 who played their violins beautifully on Monday. What a talented class they are. J5 will begin learning the violin after half term.

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 7 February was Safer Internet Day. This year's theme was "Be the change: Unite for a better internet." The children have completed various activities this week in class from the website www.saferinternet.org and had an assembly on how to keep themselves safe online. This website also has useful information for parents. Vodafone have produced an online Digital Parenting magazine which is available on vodaphone.com/digitalparenting. This has a number of useful articles for parents on how to support children in the online world. E-safety advice and links are also available in the parents section of our school website. We plan to offer e-safety workshops to parents in the summer term.

School Disco

The school disco took place yesterday in school and the children all had a great time.

All the money that parents send in for the disco is passed on to the Friends of Holy Rosary who purchase the refreshments. The remainder of the money is used by the Friends to pay for "treats" for the children

throughout the year, eg selection boxes at Christmas, the entertainer for the Infant party, DVDs for the Junior children, treats for the Year 6 leavers etc. Thank you to the Friends for their fundraising efforts and thanks to you the parents for all your support.

Young Voices

You are receiving this bulletin early today as I will be leaving school at lunchtime to go the Young Voices concert. Fifty of our children have been working hard for 6 months learning a huge number of songs and dances, and tonight they will join a choir of eight thousand for what is always a fantastic experience. We are all very excited and I will let you know how we get on after half term.

If you are coming to the concert, we are seated in block 118 and we have a huge banner to help you spot us!

Staff News

Mrs Amin is leaving school today to start her maternity leave. We wish her all the best as she prepares for her new arrival.

JoJo Bows

Currently many of the girls in school are wearing increasingly large bows in their hair, in all manner of colours. Although these bows are beautiful, they are really not suitable for school wear. Please ensure that hair accessories are in school colours and of a reasonable size thank you.

Vomiting

If your child has been off school with vomiting, it is important that they stay at home for at least 24 hours after the last bout, as otherwise bugs spread very quickly through the school environment. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Football Training

Football training takes place on a Thursday evening after school. When there is a match to play only a certain number of the children are able to play in the team. Therefore, if we have a match to play on a Thursday then the training will be cancelled for the rest of the group. Thank you.

Nugent Care – Volunteer Fundraising Group

We have been asked by the Nugent Care Society to let you know that they are looking to set up a Fundraising Group in the North of Liverpool. Please see attached leaflet which gives details of their first meeting on 8 March 2017.

Jujitsu classes

Please see attached leaflet regarding Jujitsu classes that are held in Hudson Primary School in Maghull.

Reception Height and Weight – reminder

All parents of children in Reception will have received a letter and Questionnaire last week regarding School Health Screening. Please complete the Questionnaire and return to school as soon as possible. If you wish to opt out of the screening, please let a member of the school office staff know.

Parish Newsletter

Please find attached this week's Parish Newsletter.

World Book Day – reminder

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2 March 2017. We are asking that the children come into school that day dressed up as their favourite book character. Please do not feel obliged to go to great expense – no football kits please.

Sefton Active – reminder

Sefton Active have once again organised a number of events over the half-term holidays. A leaflet was sent out 2 weeks ago. For further information or to book your place please call 0151 288 6286 or visit sefton.gov.uk/beactive.

Sacramental Programme for Year 4 pupils and their parents - reminder

Father McShane has asked us to let you know about the dates of the forthcoming Sacramental programme meetings:-

Session 5 – Tuesday 21 February 2017

Session 6 – Tuesday 14 March 2017

Session 7 – Tuesday 25 April 2017

Café Hope

We have been asked to let you know that the Café Hope (at The Hope Centre on Aintree Lane) is open each Tuesday and Wednesday from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm serving snacks and lunches. On a Thursday they open from 9.30 to 12.30 pm serving tea, coffee, scones, toast, toasted tea cakes and biscuits.

Fit for Life Group – Change of Venue for coffee and a chat

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. With effect from January 2017 the Hope Centre on Aintree Lane is opening on a Thursday morning for tea/coffee and snacks so the group will go there, after mass, rather than McDonald's. The group next meet on:-

Thursday 2 March 2017

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

School Nurse Drop-In Sessions

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

Wednesday 15 March 2017 from 8.45 to 9.30 am

Wednesday 17 May 2017 from 8.45 to 9.30 am

Tuesday 13 June 2017 from 8.45 to 9.30 am

The clinic will be held in school – 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.

MRS C MORRIS

Headteacher

Diary for w/c 20 February 2017

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| Monday | J1 swimming Computer Code Club – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm |
| Tuesday | Netball – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 and 4.15 pm |
| Wednesday | Spanish after school club – Years 4, 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm |
| Thursday | Spanish after school club – Years 3 and 4 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm IDL Club – 3.15 to 4.00 pm Boys Football training – 3.15 to 4.15 pm |

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 10 February – finish for half-term (normal time of 3.15 pm)
- w/c 13 February – half term
- 20 February – return to school
- 21 February – Sacramental programme – Session 5
- 24 February – School Mass – 11.00 am in Holy Rosary Church
- 29 February – Ash Wednesday
- 7 March – J3 – Class Assembly – 2.50 pm
- 14 March – Sacramental Programme – Session 6
- 17 March – Review Day (further details to follow)
- 22 March – J5 class mass (during the school day)
- 30 March – Easter Assembly
- 31 March – end of term (early finish at 2.15 pm)
- 17 April – Easter Monday
- 18 April – return to school