



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

29 September 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 for week ending 22 September 2017:-

Inf 1	96.7%
Inf 2	93.3%
Inf 3	99%
Inf 4	98%
Inf 5	96.1%
Inf 6	98.6%
J1	98.6%
J2	93.6%
J3	97.5%
J4	94.7%
J5	93.3%
J6	98.7%
J7	95.8%
J8	97.9%
Total for whole school	96.56%

We met our target last week. Keep up the good work!

Reception – Welcome Assembly and Meet the Teacher

The children in Reception took part in their first school event on Wednesday, as they held their Welcome Assembly for family and friends. It was hard to believe that they have been in school for only a short time, such was their maturity! Thanks to everyone who came to support them. We hope this is the start of a long and successful relationship with Holy Rosary School.

I hope the Meet the Teacher session provided all the information that you need. Please don't hesitate to contact the class teacher if there is anything else you need to know.

Kingswood Residential

What a fabulous week the children have had – despite very heavy rain at times. I popped over to see them all yesterday and they were having a great time. I was very impressed by the standards of behaviour demonstrated by the children of Holy Rosary which certainly set them apart from other groups! Many thanks to all the staff who are prepared to give up their time to enable the children to enjoy this wonderful experience.

Article in the Champion regarding parking

As many of you will have seen in last week's Champion newspaper Holy Rosary has been named as a school with on-going parking issues. As a result, traffic wardens will now give no waiting time at all to cars parked

illegally around the school. If a traffic warden sees a car parked illegally a ticket will be issued immediately. This has already started to happen, so please heed the warning and park responsibly around school.

Deaf Active

The children Years 2 and 3 are currently taking part in the Deaf Active programme. Staff from Deaf Active will be coming into school for 10 weeks to teach the children basic sign language. The children are really enjoying the sessions.

History Day

The children in Year 3 enjoyed a History Workshop this week. It was an introduction to their new topic "The Stone Age". The children took on the role of archaeologists studying tools and artefacts of the time. A enjoyable session for all involved.

School Music Service

The guitar, woodwind and keyboard lessons started this week, and are again proving to be very popular. Please contact the Music Service directly on 0151 426 9953, if your child still wishes to sign up.

ParentMail & SIMS – reminder

You will all have received a copy of your child's Data Collection Sheet last week. If you have not already done so, please check the details, make any necessary amendments and return the form to school. Once we have updated the School Information Management System (SIMS), any changes of telephone numbers or e mail addresses, will automatically be transferred over to ParentMail. If changes are made to your ParentMail account you will receive a notification from them asking you to confirm the changes.

Flu vaccination – reminder

We still have a number of outstanding flu vaccination forms. Individual reminders have been sent home today.

May I ask that you complete and return your form to school as soon as possible as the School Nurses need the completed form. Even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination, you still need to complete the form. Thank you.

Young Voices Concert

Up to now, numbers are quite low, so it looks as though we will not be going ahead with this, this year. If your child does wish to take part, but hasn't signed up, please do so by Monday, when the final decision about this event will be made.

Admission to Reception and Nursery – September 2018 – reminder

The governors of Holy Rosary School will meet in the New Year to consider applications for places in Reception and Nursery for September 2018. If you have a child who is due to start in either Nursery or Reception, please ensure you have completed the appropriate forms.

Please note that if you are applying for a place in Reception you must apply for a place for your child by completing your Local Authority's Common Admission Form – **the closing date for receipt of applications is 15 January 2018**. We have sent letters to parents of children of Nursery age, advising them of the process to follow in respect of admission to Reception. **Baptisms must have taken place prior to the closing date of 15 January 2018**.

I must remind you that it cannot be assumed younger siblings have an automatic right of admission, and parents should be aware that admission to Nursery does not guarantee a place in school. The Nursery and the School admission criteria are available on the school website.

School Photographs – reminder

School Photographs are being taken on Monday 2 October 2017. During the day children will have the opportunity to have an individual and a family photograph taken.

School Nurse Drop-In Sessions

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

Wednesday 18 October 2017
Wednesday 6 December 2017
Wednesday 17 January 2018
Wednesday 7 March 2018
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. The group next meet on:-

Thursday 5 October 2017

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

MRS C MORRIS

Headteacher

Diary for w/c 2 October 2017

Monday	School Photographs J4 swimming
Tuesday	Computer Code Club – Years 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm Football training – 3.15 to 4.15 Cross Country Club – Years 4, 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm Hockey – Year 5 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm
Wednesday	Judo After School Club – 3.15 to 4.15 pm

DATES FOR THE DIARY

2 October – School Photographs
4 October – J8 class mass (in school)
10 October – J6 class assembly at 2.50 pm in school hall
13 October – school disco (during the school day)
w/c 16 October – DT week
17 October – Sacramental Programme meeting (Session 2) for Year 4 children and parents
20 October – INSET day
23 to 27 October – half term
30 October – return to school