



# HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

8 September 2017

Dear Parents

Welcome to the first weekly Bulletin of the new school year. Future Bulletins will be sent to you by ParentMail usually on a Friday afternoon. We hope that a weekly Bulletin will help with communication between school and home and provide a quick reference to what is coming up as well as what happened during the week.

I would particularly like to welcome all the new children who have started in Nursery and Reception. We hope they will all be very happy here in Holy Rosary. I am delighted with the way all children have returned to school – all looking smart and ready to learn. Thank you for the time and effort you have put into preparing them for their return to school.

I would also like to welcome our new staff members – Miss Dutton (Year 6 teacher) and Mrs Withers (Year 5 teacher).

### **Attendance Matters**

Each week we report on the previous week's attendance figures because attendance at school is so important. Ofsted monitor the attendance figures of all schools, and we want to work with parents to ensure the best possible outcomes for our children. Holidays in term time cannot be authorised. If your child needs to be absent from school for any reason other than illness, an Application for Leave of Absence form, which is available in the school office, must be completed. Thank you for your help in this very important matter.

### **School Meals**

I would like to remind you that the cost of school meals remains at £2.00 per day, ie £10 per week. We are expecting the next increase to come into effect in April 2018.

We ask that dinner money is sent into school on a Monday morning in an envelope marked with your child's name. Cheques should be made payable to "Sefton MBC".

As you know, the children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 all receive a Universal Infant Free School Meal.

Please see attached the current school menu. This can also be viewed on the school website.

### **Asthma Inhalers**

Children's inhalers were sent home at the end of July. If your child needs an inhaler in school please call in to the school office with the inhaler to complete an up-to-date form.

### **Flu vaccination**

The parents of children in Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 will have received a letter today regarding the annual flu vaccination programme. Please complete and return the consent form by **Wednesday 13 September 2017**. Thank you.

### **First Holy Communion and Reconciliation for children in Year 4**

A separate ParentMail has been sent to the parents of children in Year 4 regarding the With You Always programme. All children in Year 4 and their parents are invited to attend the Registration and Enrolment in Holy Rosary Parochial Centre on Tuesday 12 September 2017 at 6.30 pm.

### **Parish Newsletter**

Please find attached this week's Parish Newsletter.

### **ParentMail & SIMS**

ParentMail automatically updates, from the details held in the School Information Management System (SIMS), each evening. Please make sure we have your up-to-date details as this helps ensure good communication between school and home.

### **Music Roadshow**

Schools Music Service provide music tuition for the children in the Juniors and this, over the last couple of years, has proved to be very popular. The Music Service staff will be coming in to school on Tuesday 20 September at 3.30pm to demonstrate their instruments to pupils and parents. Any child in year 3 who is interested in starting to play an instrument (or anyone else in the juniors who doesn't already play) should go along with their parents to see what's on offer. Prices are very competitive.

### **Meet the Teacher for children in Years 1 to 6**

The Meet the Teacher sessions will be held on 20 and 21 September 2017. Details will follow.

### **Reception – Welcome Assembly and Meet the Teacher**

The Reception Welcome Assembly will take place on Wednesday 27 September 2017 at 2.50 pm in the school hall. Following the assembly, the teachers will have their "Meet the Teacher" session in the hall. The Teaching Assistants will take the children back to their classrooms whilst the Meet the Teacher session takes place. Further information will follow.

### **School Photographs**

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.

### **Family Fund**

Please see attached a flyer advertising an Information and Support Day which takes place on Thursday 19 October 2017.

### **Useful Information**

Please see attached some "Useful information" about various day-to-day matters that should prove very useful in the first few weeks of term. This is also posted on the school website – click "Parents/Useful Documents".

### **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 11 September 2016**

Monday

J4 swimming

Tuesday

With You Always Registration and Enrolment at Holy Rosary (Year 4)

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

12 September – Children in Year 4 to register and enrol for Sacramental Programme (in church)

19 September – Sacramental Programme meeting (Session 1) for Year 4 children and parents

20 and 21 September – “Meet the Teacher” (Years 1 to 6)

25 to 29 September – Year 6 residential

27 September – Reception Welcome Assembly

2 October – School Photographs

4 October – J8 class mass (in school)