



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

15 December 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 8 December 2017:-

Inf 1	98.7%
Inf 2	92.7%
Inf 3	92.9%
Inf 4	91.3%
Inf 5	95.2%
Inf 6	91.4%
J1	98.7%
J2	92.9%
J3	97.1%
J4	97.6%
J5	98.3%
J6	97.9%
J7	94.5%
J8	93.2%
Total for whole school	95.17%

We did not meet our target last week.

'Smiggle' Friday

The winners for last week were Sienna from Infant 4. The commendation assembly for the Juniors is not taking place until this Monday.

Staff news

You may already be aware that Mrs Stevenson has given birth to a beautiful baby boy. Jude Timothy Stevenson was born last Tuesday weighing 8lb 10oz. I am sure you will join with me in sending best wishes to the whole family.

Our Christmas Charity

The children all looked very festive today in their Christmas Jumpers.

A big "Thank you" to everyone for supporting our Christmas Charity. We were all absolutely thrilled with the amount of food items you donated. The Friends of Holy Rosary picked up the items this afternoon and delivered them to the "Angi and Nic Homeless Support Charity".

Angi and Nic have asked us to pass on their thanks to the children and parents as they were speechless and overwhelmed with the amount of donations. They have also said Mrs Morris and all the staff should be very proud that the children of Holy Rosary have shown such a lovely act of kindness and would like to wish everyone a very happy Christmas.

The ladies have really appreciated our schools' support. Once again, thanks for supporting this worthy charity.

After School Clubs next week

There is only one after school club running next week (Computer Club on Monday). All others have either been cancelled or have finished for this term.

Christmas Performances

The Year 1 and 2 Christmas Nativity plays were wonderful. They were enjoyed by everyone and reminded us of the true meaning of Christmas. Also, last night, the roof of the church was raised by the wonderful singing of year 5 and 6. What talented children we have here in Holy Rosary School. Many thanks to all staff and parents, without whom none of this would be possible.

Christmas Activities

The Infant Christmas Party for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 takes place next Tuesday 19 December. The Infant children can wear their own clothes to school that day and will have party games in the morning. After lunch they will see the entertainer and have a visit from Santa. The Friends are paying for the entertainer and a gift for each child.

The children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are having a Christmas treat in school on Tuesday 19 December. The children can wear their own clothes for school that day. Each year group will have the opportunity to pick a DVD that they would like to see. The Friends of Holy Rosary will be providing the DVDs and refreshments for the children.

Christmas Party Lunch

The children all enjoyed their Christmas Party Lunch today. If your child had the lunch, and you have not sent in the payment of £2.00, could we please ask that this is sent into school by next week. Thank you.

Parish Newsletter

Please see attached this week's Parish Newsletter.

Christmas Services for Children

Father Vin has asked me to let you know about the Christmas Services for Children. Next Wednesday at 6.30 pm there will be a Crib Service for children and their families. The children are invited to dress up as shepherds, kings, angels, Mary and Joseph. Families are invited to bring along the baby from their crib to be blessed.

On Christmas Eve the 7.00 pm Mass will be directed towards children. Parents who would like their children to read or help with the offertory at either service are asked to e mail Father Vin on v.mcshane@rcaolp.co.uk ASAP so that he may send you copies of the readings.

Mass Times at Holy Rosary Church

Father McShane has also asked me to let you know the mass times over the Christmas period. These are as follows:-

Sacrament of Reconciliation

There will be a parish Service of Reconciliation on Tuesday 19 December at 7.00 pm. Individual confessions will take place on Saturday 23 December at 5.40 pm followed by Vigil Mass for Sunday at 6.00 pm.

Children's Crib Service

This will take place on Wednesday 20 December at 6.30 pm. See details above.

Christmas Eve – Sunday 24 December

Mass at 10.30 for 4th Sunday of Advent. NB: there will be no 5.15 pm mass.
Family Christmas Mass at 7.00 pm. See details above.
Christmas Carols at 9.00 pm followed by the “Midnight Mass” at 9.30 pm

Sunday 25 December – Christmas Day

Carols from 10.15 am
Christmas Mass at 10.30 am
Please note there is no evening Mass

Monday 26 December – Boxing Day

Feast of St Stephen, Patron of altar servers – Mass at 12 noon.

For further details please go to www.holyrosarychurch.co.uk

School Nurse Drop-In Sessions

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

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 11 January 2018

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

MRS C MORRIS

Headteacher

Diary for w/c 18 December 2017

Monday No swimming this week
Computer Code Club – Years 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm

DATES FOR THE DIARY

17 December – 3rd Sunday of Advent
19 December – Infant party and Junior Treat
20 December – End of Term – early finish at 2.15 pm
24 December – 4th Sunday of Advent
8 January – return to school