



# HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

29 November 2019

Dear Parents

### **Attendance Matters**

Here are the figures for week ending 22 November 2019:-

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| Inf 1                         | 69.3          |
| Inf 2                         | 91.0          |
| Inf 3                         | 93.2          |
| Inf 4                         | 96.7          |
| Inf 5                         | 85.0          |
| Inf 6                         | 96.0          |
| J1                            | 87.6          |
| J2                            | 92.3          |
| J3                            | 57.7          |
| J4                            | 88.7          |
| J5                            | 90.8          |
| J6                            | 95.3          |
| J7                            | 87.7          |
| J8                            | 97.1          |
| <b>Total for whole school</b> | <b>87.03%</b> |

We did not meet our target last week due to a number of children reporting fluey type symptoms. Attendance is very important, but obviously we do not want children to attend school if they are sick. Please give children time to be better before they return to school, to stop the spread of infection. Many thanks

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### **Flu Vaccination Programme – reminder**

We believe there are still a few flu vaccination consent forms that have not been returned to school. The Immunisation Team are coming into school on Wednesday 4 December to administer the vaccination. Please ensure that your completed form is returned to school before then.

**Even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination, you still need to complete the form, giving the reason. This will help the Immunisation Team plan and improve their service. Thank you.**

### **With You Always Retreat Days**

The children in Y4 attended their retreat days this week. They had a lovely time, and Father Philip was very impressed by their reverence and prayerfulness.

### **Year 6 Residential**

At the time of writing, year 6 are on their way home from, the residential. They have had a great time, challenging themselves and supporting each other. I, as always, am very grateful to the staff who give up their own time to make these wonderful memories for your children.

### **DVD Evenings**

The DVD evening for the children in Reception and KS1 takes place next Tuesday 3 December. Children are to be picked up from their classrooms at 5.00 pm.

The DVD evening for the children in the Juniors takes place next Wednesday 4 December. Children are to be picked up from the hall at 5.00 pm.

### **Christmas Fayre**

The Friends of Holy Rosary have arranged for this year's Christmas Fayre to be held on Saturday 7 December 2019, from 12 noon till 2.00 pm in Holy Rosary Club. The bar will be open and Domino's will be there selling their pizzas. We have lots of new games this year, plus the Santa Surprise game and the bottle and chocolate tombola's. So come down and get in the Christmas spirit.

On Friday 6 December the children can wear their own clothes to school and we are asking that they bring in the following items for the Christmas Fayre:-

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – chocolate items for the chocolate tombola

Years 1 to 6 – bottles for the bottle tombola

Thank you.

### **Christmas Jumper Day**

This will take place on Friday 13 December. Children may wear their own clothes (no football kits) and either a Christmas jumper or other festive wear. The cost of this treat will be £1, which we will donate to the Alder Hey charity. A representative from Alder Hey will be coming into school on Tuesday 12 December to talk to the children about this very worthwhile charity.

### **Christmas Lunch**

On Thursday 19 December, the kitchen will be serving a Christmas Party Lunch which will consist of sausage rolls, cheese puffs, chips, sandwiches, ice cream and biscuits. If your child usually brings in a Packed Lunch and would like to have the Christmas Party Lunch you need to let the school office staff know by **Monday 9 December at the latest** as the kitchen need to place the orders for food on that day – the cost of a school lunch is £2.10. If your child will be having their packed lunch as normal you may wish to put an extra "treat" in their lunch box.

### **Christmas Activities**

This year's Christmas performances and events are listed below:-

**Nursery** – the children will be performing their Nativity concert on Wednesday 4 December – 9.30 am\* for morning nursery children and 2.00 pm\* for afternoon nursery children.

**Reception** – the children in the Reception classes will be performing their play "Lights, Camel, Action" on Friday 6 December at 2.30 pm.\* **(3 tickets per family will be issued).**

**Year 1** – the children will be performing their play "It's a Baby" on Tuesday 10 December at 2.30 pm\*. **(3 tickets per family will be issued).**

**Year 2** – the children will be performing their play "Children of the World" on Wednesday 11 December at 2.30 pm\*. **(3 tickets per family will be issued).**

**\*Please enter via the school hall which will not be open until 15 minutes before the performances, ie 9.15 am and 1.45 and 2.15 pm respectively.**

**Years 3 and 4** – The Advent Service is taking place on Thursday 5 December, at 7.00 pm in Holy Rosary Church. The children should be in church by 6.45 pm wearing their school uniform.

**Years 5 and 6** – The Christmas Presentation is taking place on Thursday 14 December, at 7.00 pm in Holy Rosary Church. The children should be in church by 6.45 pm wearing their school uniform.

The Infant Christmas Party for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is on Thursday 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.

Although the children in Nursery are unable to attend the Infant Party, they can if they wish wear their own clothes for school that day. The Friends will provide a treat for the children.

The children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are having a Christmas treat in school on Thursday 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.

### **CAFOD Fun Run**

CAFOD have asked us to let you know that their 36<sup>th</sup> Annual CAFOD Fun Run will take place at 12:00 on Friday 27 December 2019 at the Wavertree Athletics Ground in Liverpool. The Fun Run is very much geared towards families, with both 2.5k and 5k running routes and a 2k walking route.

Please see attached leaflet or CAFOD's website for more details.

### **Minnie Vinnie's Christmas Appeal - reminder**

The children have decided that this year, their Christmas appeal will be for chocolate selection packs. We ask that these be sent in over the next couple of weeks and they will be distributed to our local food bank on the 2 December. The Mini Vinnie's are aware that food banks are now becoming more and more important and are relied upon by many families.

### **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 <http://holyrosarychurch.co.uk/>. By accessing this link you will be able to find out what is happening in the parish, the Archdiocese and the wider community.

### **School Nurse Drop-In Sessions**

The date for the first School Nurse Drop-In Clinic this year is:-

Wednesday 11 December 2019

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 9.10 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 December 2019

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

**MRS C MORRIS**  
Headteacher

## Diary for w/c 2 December 2019

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| Monday    | Computer Club for Years 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm<br>Judo after school club – Years 3-6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm (last session)                                   |
| Tuesday   | Girls Football – Year 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm  |
| Wednesday | Swimming J3<br>Football lunchtime time club – boys and girls Year 5 & 6<br>Archery after school club – Years 3-6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm (last session)        |
| Thursday  | Football lunchtime time club – boys and girls Year 3 & 4<br>IDL Club – 3.15 to 4.00 pm<br>Football after school club – Boys year 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm |

### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

- 1 December – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent
- 3 December – DVD evening for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children
- 4 December – DVD evening for Junior children
- 4 December – Flu immunisations – children from Reception to Year 6
- 4 December – Nursery concerts
- 5 December – Year 3/4 Advent concert – 7.00 pm in church
- 6 December – Reception concert
- 7 December – Christmas Fayre
- 8 December – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent
- 10 December – Year 1 concert
- 11 December – Year 2 concert
- 15 December – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent
- 17 December – Year 5/6 concert – 7.00 pm in church
- 19 December – Infant Party and Junior treat
- 20 December – end of term – early finish at 2.15 pm
- 22 December – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent
- 6 January – INSET day
- 7 January – return to school