

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN

30 June 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 23 June 2017:-

Inf 1	88.7%
Inf 2	76.1%
Inf 3	97.2%
Inf 4	98.7%
Inf 5	95.7%
Inf 6	95.2%
J1	96.7%
J2	92.7%
J3	89.7%
J4	91%
J5	97.1%
J6	96.6%
J7	96%
18	82.7%
Total for whole school	92.43%

We did not achieve our target last week.

Smiggle Prizes

The winners for last week's 100% attendance gifts were Maisie in Infant 6 and Charlie in J2.

The Junior winner for the previous week was Sahana in J6. Unfortunately, we forgot to announce the Infant winner for that week so will arrange it next week.

Sports Day for Year 1 to 6

We have re-arranged the Year 1 to 6 Sports Day for Monday 3 July 2017 at 1.30 pm (gates will open at 1.15 pm). If the weather is not good again, then Sports Day will take place on Wednesday 12 July. Say your prayers for good weather over the weekend and on Monday. Unfortunately, I have to attend school appeals at the town hall on Monday, so I will miss all the fun, but I thought it was better to go ahead rather than wait for a time when I was free!

Sports Day for Foundation Stage

Unfortunately, we had to cancel today's planned Sports Day for the children in Reception and Nursery as the grass was far too wet. We will re-arrange this as soon as we can and advise you via ParentMail.

First Holy Communions

The final group of Y4 children made their First Holy Communion last Saturday. The Mass was beautiful, and the atmosphere prayerful and reverent.

The school celebration took place this Tuesday and was a beautiful ceremony. Thanks to the friends of Holy Rosary for organising the party for the children

The children had their photographs taken and proofs have been sent home this week. We are expecting the Group Photograph proofs to be delivered to school on Monday 3 July 2017. Please remember that all orders, for both individual and group photographs, need to be returned to school by Thursday 6 July 2017 so that you will receive them before the children finish for the summer holidays.

NSPCC Visit to School – 28 June 2017

The NSPCC visited school this week to deliver assemblies and workshops to the children, on the very important topic of keeping safe online. The parents who attended the Free Workshop after school said they found it most informative and feel they are better equipped to support their children.

Visit by Paul Delaney - children's author

The children in the Foundation Stage and KS1 had a visit this Wednesday from children's author Paul Delaney. If the excitement, music and laughter coming from the music room were anything to go by, the children all had a wonderful time.

Holy Rosary School App - reminder

We would like to remind all parents about the Holy Rosary App. It is available to download free from either the Apple APP Store or the Google Play Store – simply search **Holy Rosary Aintree**. We'd like to encourage ALL parents to download our school App. As you know, when we send text messages to you there is a cost to the school. If all parents use the App we can stop sending text messages completely and use the money we will save to provide extra resources for your children.

A feature on the App is **Meetings and Events**. We will be able to use this to inform you of meetings and events to which you will be invited, eg class assemblies etc. When you receive an invitation to attend a meeting you will be able to indicate if you are able to attend simply by clicking a button and this will save you having to send a reply slip back to school.

Parents who have already downloaded the App have given us very positive comments.

Parish Newsletter

Please find attached this week's parish newsletter.

Youth Connect 5

Youth Connect 5 are offering a free 5 week course for parents and carers. The course is to give parents and carers the knowledge, skills and understanding to help your children develop strong emotional wellbeing. Please see attached flyer for details.

American Independence Day – 4 July – school meals

The dinner staff will be providing an American themed school lunch on Tuesday.

School Meals

You will be pleased to know that there will be no school meal price increase this September. The next scheduled price increase will be in April 2018.

20% off Marks and Spencer school uniforms – reminder

We would like to let you know that Marks and Spencer are offering 20% off school uniforms from 6 June to 4 July.

Year 6 Transition Day

The children in Year 6 who are going to Maricourt High School visited the school on Tuesday. They had a taste of what life in secondary school will be like. We hope this day answers any questions that the children might have.

Year 5 visit to Maricourt

The children in Year 5 visited Maricourt High School on Thursday. They took part in a range of taster activities, including a spelling bee and practical maths and science activities. The Maricourt staff commented on the exemplary behaviour of the children of Holy Rosary.

Community Weekend at the Hope Centre – reminder

We would like to remind you about the Community Weekend at the Hope Centre on Aintree Lane which takes place on 8 and 9 July 2017. There will be a wide range of activities for the whole family with the aim being to open up the Centre to the Aintree community.

Arts Week - reminder

Our annual "Arts Week" takes place next week – this year the focus is on Spain. On Friday 7 July, we will be holding a celebration, when the children can come to school dressed in either traditional Spanish dress or colours of the Spanish Flag ie yellow and red. The celebration, to which parents are invited, will commence at 1.45 pm. A separate ParentMail has been sent.

Kingswood - reminder

Many thanks to everyone who has send in their payments for the Kingswood Residential trip. All payments should have been made by the end of May. Please send in any outstanding payments as soon as possible. Thank you.

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 last meeting for this academic year is on:-

Thursday 6 July 2017

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

MRS C MORRIS

Headteacher

Diary for w/c 3 July 2017

Monday Swimming – Infant 6

Computing Club – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm

Tuesday Music Concert – J5 pupils and Year 6 cellists – 3.20 to 3.50 pm (parents invited)

No Dance Club this week due to the Music concert – separate ParentMail sent

Cricket Club - Years 3 and 4 - 3.15 to 4.15 pm

Wednesday Spanish after school club – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm

No Heartstart club this week

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IDL Club - 3.15 to 4.00 pm

DATES FOR THE DIARY

w/c 3 July – Arts Week

5 July – J1 class mass (during the school day) 5 July – Year 6 trip to Crosby Lakeside

6 July – Year 3 trip to Ribchester Roman Museum – letter to follow

11 July – Year 4 visit to the Carmelite Monastery and the Metropolitan Cathedral – letter to follow

11 July – J5 visit to Aintree Equestrian Centre – letter to follow

13 July – J6 visit to Aintree Equestrian Centre – letter to follow

13 July – Leaver's mass – 6.00 pm in church 14 July – Commendation Assembly

18 July - School disco

18 July - Winning House visit to McDonald's

20 July – Leaver's assembly

20 July - end of term - early finish at 2.15 pm