

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN

7 September 2018

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 – Mrs Hulme (Year 1 teacher), Miss Davies (Year 3 teacher) and Miss Evans (Year 5 teacher). We hope they will be very happy in Holy Rosary.

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.

Parish Priest.

We would like to welcome Father Philip Inch our new Parish Priest We look forward to getting to know him and working with him over the coming months and years.

School Meals

I would like to remind you that the cost of school meals remains at £2.10 per day, ie £10.50 per week. We are expecting the next increase to come into effect in April 2019.

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.

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 https://www.parishofholyrosary.co.uk/newsletters. By accessing this link you will be able to find out what is happening in the parish, the Archdiocese and the wider community.

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.

We would encourage all parents to sign up to ParentMail and to download the Holy Rosary School App. The App can be downloaded from either the <u>Apple APP store</u> or the <u>Google Play Store</u> – simply search **Holy Rosary Aintree**.

Please note, parents will need to be registered on ParentMail in order to access the App and will login with their account details.

Music Roadshow

Schools Music Service provides 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 Wednesday 12 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 19 and 20 September 2018. Details will follow.

Reception – Welcome Assembly and Meet the Teacher

The Reception Welcome Assembly will take place on Thursday 27 September 2017 at 2.45 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. Details will follow.

School Photographs

School Photographs are being taken on Monday 1 October 2018. During the day children will have the opportunity to have an individual and a family photograph taken.

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 9.00 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 4 October 2017

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

MRS C MORRIS

Headteacher

Diary for w/c 10 September 2018

Wednesday

J3 swimming

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Welcome mass

19 and 20 September – "Meet the Teacher" (Years 1 to 6)
21 September – M&M Theatre visit to school "The Hobbit"
24 to 28 September – Year 6 residential
27 September – Reception Welcome Assembly
1 October – School Photographs
4 October – J5 Class Assembly – 9.10 am in school