



# HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

24 February 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 week commencing 6 February 2017:-

<b>Inf 1</b>	<b>96.7%</b>
<b>Inf 2</b>	<b>91.9%</b>
<b>Inf 3</b>	<b>96.6%</b>
<b>Inf 4</b>	<b>98.1%</b>
<b>Inf 5</b>	<b>96.4%</b>
<b>Inf 6</b>	<b>93.8%</b>
<b>J1</b>	<b>95.9%</b>
<b>J2</b>	<b>96%</b>
<b>J3</b>	<b>93.7%</b>
<b>J4</b>	<b>95%</b>
<b>J5</b>	<b>94.2%</b>
<b>J6</b>	<b>96.2%</b>
<b>J7</b>	<b>97.2%</b>
<b>J8</b>	<b>95%</b>
<b>Total for whole school</b>	<b>95.47%</b>

Our target was not met last week.

### Parking and traffic concerns

We received another complaint from a neighbour this week. On Wednesday, the neighbour was trying to drive onto their own driveway when a parent from our school would not back up to allow them to do this. The parent was rude and abusive towards the neighbour. Could I please ask that when bringing children to school by car that you park considerately and safely and are courteous to our neighbours.

This week both the Police and Traffic Wardens were in attendance at the beginning and end of the school day. We understand they spoke to a number of parents and issued some parking tickets. We welcomed their presence and they will be continuing to monitor the situation.

### Young Voices

As expected, we had a fantastic time at young voices. The children were a credit to their families and to school, and I have received many lovely messages and comments from people who went to watch. I thought the best way to let you know about the evening was to ask the children themselves. This is what Phoebe, Matilda and Harrison wrote!!

“2 weeks ago a lot of people from our school went to Young Voices 2017 concert in Manchester Arena. The rehearsals were very exciting but the concert was even more breath-taking. The coach ride home was really

long but it was worth it because we got to sing in a choir with 8 and a half thousand people there. We want to thank all of the staff that gave up their evening to make sure we had a fun and safe trip ”.

#### **World Book Day – reminder**

We will be celebrating World Book Day next Thursday 2 March 2017. We are asking that the children come into school that day dressed up as their favourite book character. Please do not feel obliged to go to great expense – no football kits please.

#### **Year 6 Residential – September 2017**

All the children in Year 5 have been sent a letter this week regarding the payment details for the Residential this September. Places have now been booked. We would be grateful if you could please send in your non-refundable deposit by next Tuesday 28 February 2017. Thank you.

#### **JoJo Bows – reminder**

Currently many of the girls in school are wearing increasingly large bows in their hair, in all manner of colours. Although these bows are beautiful, they are really not suitable for school wear. Please ensure that hair accessories are in school colours and of a reasonable size thank you.

#### **Vomiting – reminder**

If your child has been off school with vomiting, it is important that they stay at home for at least 24 hours after the last bout, as otherwise bugs spread very quickly through the school environment. Thank you for your support in this matter.

#### **Parish Newsletter**

Please find attached this week's Parish Newsletter.

#### **Science Under the Stars – Our Fragile Earth**

We have been asked to let you know about a Festival of Primary Science that is being held at Edge Hill University on Friday 24 March 2017 from 4.00 to 7.00 pm. There will be exciting interactive stalls, activities and lectures all focused on helping children to understand our planet, its place in the solar system and how to take care of it. There is no need to book and all activities are free.

#### **School Levy**

We send out the Archdiocesan Levy letter this week. Many thanks to all of you who have already sent in your donation.

#### **Nearly New Sale – Pop-Up Market**

Please see attached flyer advertising nearly new sales of “pre-loved baby and kids goods” which has been organised by “mum2mum market”. They take place on 1 April and 15 July 2017 at Litherland High School.

#### **Sacramental Programme for Year 4 pupils and their parents - reminder**

Father McShane has asked us to let you know about the dates of the forthcoming Sacramental programme meetings:-

Session 6 – Tuesday 14 March 2017

Session 7 – Tuesday 25 April 2017

#### **Fit for Life Group – Change of Venue for coffee and a chat**

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. With effect from January 2017 the Hope Centre on Aintree Lane is opening on a Thursday morning for tea/coffee and snacks so the group will go there, after mass, rather than McDonald's. The group next meet on:-

Thursday 2 March 2017

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

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

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

Wednesday 15 March 2017 from 8.45 to 9.30 am

Wednesday 17 May 2017 from 8.45 to 9.30 am

Tuesday 13 June 2017 from 8.45 to 9.30 am

The clinic will be held in school – 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.

### **MRS C MORRIS**

Headteacher

### **Diary for w/c 27 February 2017**

Monday	J1 swimming (last session for J1) Computer Code Club – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm
Tuesday	Netball – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 and 4.15 pm
Wednesday	Spanish after school club – Years 4, 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm
Thursday	Spanish after school club – Years 3 and 4 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm IDL Club – 3.15 to 4.00 pm Boys Football training – 3.15 to 4.15 pm

### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

- 1 March – Ash Wednesday
- 1 March – Year 5 visit to Aintree Davenhill (WW1 activity)
- 7 March – J3 – Class Assembly – 2.50 pm
- 14 March – Sacramental Programme – Session 6
- 17 March – Review Day (further details to follow)
- 22 March – J5 class mass (during the school day)
- 30 March – Easter Assembly
- 31 March – end of term (early finish at 2.15 pm)
- 17 April – Easter Monday
- 18 April – return to school