



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

27 January 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 16 January 2017:-

Inf 1	96.7%
Inf 2	94.2%
Inf 3	95.2%
Inf 4	98.7%
Inf 5	98.6%
Inf 6	99.3%
J1	98.3%
J2	99.3%
J3	98.3%
J4	92.7%
J5	98.4%
J6	93.4%
J7	100%
J8	99.3%
Total for whole school	97.3%

Well done for exceeding our target and a special well done to J7 for achieving 100% attendance.

Parking

Once again, we have had complaints from local residents regarding inconsiderate parking.

The first complaint is in regard to parents parking across residents' driveways blocking people from driving off and on their own driveways. Some cars are also being parked on double yellow lines – to quote Rule 238 of the Highway Code:-

“You **MUST NOT** wait or park on yellow lines during the times of operation shown on nearby time plates (or zone entry signs if in a Controlled Parking Zone) – see [‘Traffic signs’](#) and [‘Road markings’](#). Double yellow lines indicate a prohibition of waiting at any time even if there are no upright signs. You **MUST NOT** wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings (see [‘Road markings’](#)) when upright signs indicate a prohibition of stopping.”

The second complaint was in regard to a silver car that was parked on the corner of Tonbridge Drive and Denstone Avenue on Wednesday afternoon. The car was parked so far on the pavement that a resident could not walk on the pavement with her baby in the pram and had to walk on the road. The car registration number has been passed on to the police.

Could we please again ask that when dropping your children off at school or picking them up at the end of the school day, you park considerately and legally. If residents report any Car Registration numbers to us we always inform the police. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Quantum Theatre Visit

Shape, Space and Desperate Measures!! What an exciting day the children had on Wednesday when their maths learning was brought to life by this theatre group. They focused on topics that many children find challenging and really enhanced their learning.

Young Voices

The parents' tickets have now arrived and we are starting to get very excited. On Tuesday the children will come home with a letter detailing all the final arrangements and how to pick up the tickets.

School Menu

Some slight alterations have been made to the school meals menu. Please see attached.

Parish Newsletter

Please find attached this week's Parish Newsletter.

School Disco – reminder

Because of a clash with the Young Voices Concert we are moving the school disco day to Thursday 9 February.

Year 6 Residential – reminder

There is a meeting for parents of children who are currently in Year 5, regarding the Year 6 Residential Trip which takes place in September 2017. The meeting is on Monday 30 January 2017 at 3.15 pm in the school hall – the children may also attend the meeting if accompanied by an adult. A letter was sent home this week.

Reception Topic – “People who help us”

On Thursday 2 February 2017, the children in reception have been asked to come into school dressed in clothes suitable for a profession they would like to have when they grow up. If any parents of children in Reception would like to come into school to talk to the children about their profession they are most welcome – if you are interested, please see your child's class teacher. A letter has been sent this week.

Chinese New Year – Nursery

The children in Nursery are celebrating the Chinese New Year on Friday 3 February 2017 when they are being asked to come into school dressed in Chinese themed clothes or in Chinese colours, such as bright reds and yellows. A note has been sent to the Nursery parents.

Social Communication Coffee Events

Please see attached flyer giving details of “coffee events” for parents/carers of children with Social Communication Difficulties.

Sefton Active

Sefton Active have once again organised a number of events over the half-term holidays. A leaflet was sent out this week. For further information or to book your place please call 0151 288 6286 or visit sefton.gov.uk/beactive.

Lost Property

The amount of lost property in school continues to grow! Please call into school to see if any of these belong to your child. If they are not collected by the end of the school year then we will have no option but to dispose of them. Please remember to label all items of uniform. Thank you.

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 5 – Tuesday 21 February 2017

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 February 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 30 January 2017

Monday	J1 swimming Computer Code Club – Years 5 and 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm
Tuesday	Young Voices Choir – 3.15 to 4.15 pm 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 Reception classes – “People who help us” day

DATES FOR THE DIARY

30 January – Residential trip meeting for Year 5 parents

31 January – J4 Class Assembly – 2.50 pm

1 February – J6 Class Mass – during the school day
w/c 6 February – DT week

9 February – School Disco – please note change of date

10 February – Young Voices concert

10 February – finish for half-term (normal time of 3.15 pm)

w/c 13 February – half term
20 February – return to school
21 February – Sacramental programme – Session 5
24 February – School Mass – 11.00 am in Holy Rosary Church
29 February – Ash Wednesday
7 March – J3 – Class Assembly – 2.50 pm
14 March – Sacramental Programme – Session 6
17 March – Review Day (further details to follow)