



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

15 June 2018

Dear Parents

Attendance Matters

Here are the figures for week ending 8 June 2018:-

Inf 1	96.3%
Inf 2	84.2%
Inf 3	93.8%
Inf 4	93.3%
Inf 5	83.1%
Inf 6	94.4%
J1	89.2%
J2	97.3%
J3	95%
J4	75%
J5	97.5%
J6	92.5%
J7	88.7%
J8	87.5%
Total for whole school	90.56%

Last week was the lowest attendance of this academic year, mainly due to the amount of holidays taken. Holidays in term time are not authorised and should be avoided at all costs.

'Smiggle' Friday

This week's winners were Michael in Infant 6 and Ricky in J7.

Infant 6 trip to Pizza Express

This week on Tuesday Infant 6 attended Pizza Express in Formby. They had the chance to knead their own dough and the 'Pizzolo' (Pizza chef) showed them how to spin their own pizza bases. This was a fantastic opportunity for an insight into year 2's next science topic on healthy eating. They came back to school with smiles on their faces with their own handmade margarita pizzas. Thank you to Mr Torgal Rodrigues and his staff for a fantastic experience.

Year 4 trip

The children in Year 4 went on a trip today to the Mersey Boat Club in Lydiate. They had a great time, taking part in a range of maritime activities and they represented our school excellently with their exemplary behaviour.

As explained in the letter to the Year 4 parents, we were in the fortunate position of not having to charge for this trip as we received a grant. The grant was received from Aintree Village Parish Council and this is being used to support the pupils from Holy Rosary and Aintree Davenhill for this trip – we have sent an e mail to the Parish Council to thank them for their generous donation.

Reception Theme Day

The children in Reception were inspired by their topic 'People who help us' to dress up as what they want to be when they grow up. Their costumes were fantastic and they had all put in lots of effort gathering props

and making badges. They had a lovely day immersed in lots of role play and thinking about the characteristics they need to be good at each job!

Sports Day

We have sent separate e mails this afternoon regarding the Year 1-6 Sports Day which takes place next Friday 22 June and the Foundation Stage Sports Day which takes place on Friday 29 June.

20% off School Uniform at Marks and Spencer

Many parents will be thinking about buying new school uniform for September. The Marks and Spencer store in Aintree have been in touch with the school to let us know that from 5 June they have 20% off school uniforms.

They have also mentioned their uniform Shwopping scheme. Parents can take their old school uniform into the store, where they can place items in one of their Shwop boxes. The old uniform will be resold, reused or recycled, to help with funding projects around the world helping put an end to poverty. Sparks members can also collect 50 sparks points when they show their Shwopping at the till.

Funky Feet for SWACA

As you all know, we raised £330 for SWACA at our Funky Feet day. We sent the cheque to SWACA and received the following e mail this week:-

"I am e-mailing to say a huge thank you to you and your colleagues, parents and children at Holy Rosary Catholic Primary School for the amazing donation of £330 from your "Funky Feet" fundraiser day for SWACA!! That is an amazing amount for one Primary School, and we are absolutely delighted and extremely grateful for your fantastic support towards our work with women and children/young people, in Sefton, experiencing domestic abuse.

It is great to hear you were able to organise a fun way to manage the fundraiser day. We will be issuing formal thank you certificates to all participating schools, but I just wanted to thank you informally in the meantime. I am also very grateful for your staff's time and effort in collecting, counting, banking and passing on the donation, which is a huge help to us.

This e-mail seems unsatisfactory for such a fantastic donation. We are truly grateful for the donation".

Musical Instruments – reminder

If your child has music lessons in school please ensure that they bring their instruments into school. Recently many of the children in Year 5, who have violin lessons on a Friday, have been forgetting to bring their instrument into school. Thank you.

Year 5 trip to Bridgewater Hall – reminder

The children in Year 5 are visiting Bridgewater Hall on Thursday 21 June 2018 for an afternoon with the Halle orchestra. A letter was sent out this week stating that parents may attend if they wish. If you would like to purchase tickets please visit <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/edsential>.

Minnie Vinnies – Shoe Appeal - reminder

After the success of last year's Shoe Appeal, we are once again asking for donations of old shoes. Please send any old shoes into school – these are passed on to the St Vincent de Paul Society who either sell or recycle the shoes. The money they receive for the shoes goes towards providing holidays for children in need in our local area. Thank you.

Levy (School Building Fund) – reminder

Thanks to all the families who have sent in their payment for this year's levy. To date, 75 families still have not yet paid the levy which means we are £750 short of our contribution towards the Archdiocesan School Building Fund. Second reminders will be sent out shortly.

You may wish to be aware that our school roof will shortly need to be repaired/replaced. As a Voluntary Aided school we will have to ask the Archdiocese for financial help with this – so it is very important that we collect this money to help with the provision of a safe environment for our children. Thank you.

Music concert – reminder

The Schools Music Services have arranged an informal concert for parents of children who have music tuition in school, ie guitar, keyboard and woodwind, to showcase what the children have been learning. This will take place on Wednesday 27 June 2018 at 3.15 pm in the school hall. We understand that the Music Services will be e mailing parents with the details.

There will be a practice in school on Wednesday 20 June – please ensure your child brings their instrument into school on that day.

Kingswood - reminder

Everyone who is attending the Kingswood residential has paid the initial £40 deposit. The next instalment of £80 was due at the end of March – we are still awaiting 1 of these instalments.

Subsequent instalments were due at the end of April and the end of May. To date, there are a total of 12 outstanding balances. Please contact the office to discuss this if you are experiencing any difficulties.

As mentioned in the original payment letter, the school are invoiced on a monthly basis, so we have had to pay the invoices from the school budget. We would be grateful for all outstanding balances to be paid by the end of June at the latest.

If for any reason you decide that your child will not be attending the Residential, then you must inform the school office staff straight away or you will be liable to pay the full amount.

Thank you to all of those who have paid.

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.

School Nurse Drop-In Sessions

The last School Nurse Drop-In Clinic for this academic year is on:-

Wednesday 20 June 2018

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 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 will take place on:-

Thursday 5 July 2018

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

MRS C MORRIS
Headteacher

Diary for w/c 18 June 2018

Monday	Swimming – Infant 5 Computer Club – Years 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm Prayer Club – Years 3 & 4 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm
Tuesday	Netball – Years 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm
Wednesday	Dance Club – Year 2 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm
Thursday	IDL Club – Years 2 to 5 only – 3.15 to 4.00 pm Spanish club – Year 3 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 19 June – Infant 5 visit to Pizza Express
- 19 June – J1 Class Assembly – 2.50 pm
- 20 June – Nursery New Parents meeting
- 21 June – Year 5 trip to Bridgewater Hall
- 22 June – Sports Day for Years 1 to 6
- w/c 25 June – Other Faiths week – Islam
- 27 June – Schools Music Services concert – 3.15 pm
- 29 June – Sports Day for Nursery and Reception
- 29 June – School Mass in church – 10.00 am
- w/c 2 July – Art Week
- 19 July – Leaver's mass
- 17 July – Commendation Assembly
- 24 July – School Disco and Leaver's Disco
- 25 July – Leaver's assembly
- 25 July – end of term – early finish at 2.15 pm