



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

19 July 2024

Dear Parents

Attendance Matters

Here are the figures for week ending 12 July 2024.

Inf 1	93.9
Inf 2	92.0
Inf 3	94.3
Inf 4	92.0
*Inf 5	*98.0
Inf 6	91.0
*J1	*99.0
J2	95.3
J3	94.9
J4	97.0
J5	90.0
J6	93.5
J7	92.8
J8	82.9
Total for whole school	93.3%

Our whole school attendance target as set by the Department of Education is 96.7%.

*The winners of the class attendance award this week were INF 5 and J1.

Well done to all the classes in green who exceeded the target

Disco Day

The children have had a fabulous day today with the school disco. They enjoyed treats with their classmates and had a good old boogie, we have some fabulous movers and groovers! They all looked fantastic too!

Y6 Leavers

Our Y6 children shared a final school mass at church with their families on Thursday afternoon, they read clearly and sang beautifully, it was a lovely start to their leaving events. They have also had a wonderful day at Liverpool Watersports Centre today and the sun shone brightly for them all day too. They enjoyed Kayaking, Rafted Canoeing and managed to paddle all the way down to the Albert Dock! They had a fabulous day, though are feeling very tired and should sleep well tonight! Their behaviour was exemplary, and they certainly made the most of their very last trip with Holy Rosary.

They still have a Leavers' disco on Monday and an assembly on Tuesday to look forward to before they officially finish but we wish them all the love and luck in the world as they move on to secondary school!

Staff news

As you are already aware both Mrs Hulme and Mrs Mitchell are retiring this year and will therefore not be returning to Holy Rosary in September. We are really going to miss them both, not only for their teaching talents and experience but for their big personalities and the laughter and fun that they have brought to their roles. We would like to thank them both for their dedication over many years here and wish them both a happy and fulfilled retirement! God bless!

Miss Stanton, Miss Finnigan, Mrs Carr, Miss Brookes and Miss Sutton will be leaving the staff team this summer, as their temporary contracts have come to an end. We thank them for their hard work this year and wish them all much love and happiness in their futures.

Football Squad Trip to LFC

On Tuesday the Y6 boys football team were invited to Liverpool FC's new training facility in Kirkby. They took part in a multi school competition and had the opportunity to showcase their skills and ability in front of scouts. It was even hosted by an ex-Liverpool player! Well done to all the boys who took part, we even had a couple of scouts asking about a few players from Holy Rosary so you never know, we may have some future stars!

Commendation Assembly

On Wednesday we held our annual commendation assemblies. It was fantastic to see so many children celebrate success. A wide variety of trophies, medals, certificates and plaques were given out for various sporting achievements, we do have a lot of talented children here. The children also enjoyed finding out who was our overall winning house for 2024. Well done to all pupils in St. Georges who won this year!

We also presented the annual career attendance award for the Y6 pupil with the best attendance during their time here. This year the winner was Evie (J8) with a fantastic 98.6% attendance over her whole school career, what an achievement! The Mrs Dimeck Award for the most Inspirational pupil, chosen by the school staff was won by Yan (J7). Since Yan joined us, from the Ukraine, with very little English at the start of Y5 he has not only shown great resilience and a positive attitude but also managed to learn perfect scouse! Well done Yan, very well deserved, we couldn't be prouder!

Maricourt Sports Personality of the Year Awards Night

Following on from our own school awards day, on Wednesday evening, 3 children from Y6 were invited to Maricourt to collect their individual Sports Personality of the Year awards. Patrick (J7), Grace (J8) and Maisie (J7) were selected and each very deserving of their awards. They have been exemplary role models for sports, congratulations.

Winning House Trip to McDonalds

On Wednesday, the children in St. George's House enjoyed their visit to Mc Donald's as their reward for being the winning house this term. All the children thoroughly enjoyed their lunch and there was a lovely atmosphere in the restaurant. The behaviour of the children was exemplary, as always and the staff from Mc Donald's commented on their fantastic behaviour and how well they tidied up their area once they had finished. We are very proud of you all!

School Uniform

A reminder that winter uniform is required when we return to school in September. Please note trainers are not allowed. If you are unsure whether a shoe would be classed as a trainer or not, please bear in mind our uniform policy states "shoes must be polishable". This will perhaps help you to decide before paying a lot of money for unacceptable shoes.

PE Kits remain the same though next year we will request children bring a plain tracksuit, black, navy or grey during colder months for outdoor PE lessons.

Backpacks/bags in the infant are not required. The children should bring a bookbag/lunch bag/water bottle.

If you are having any difficulties financially in buying any aspect of school uniform in the current climate, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, in confidence and we will be able to offer support.

School Hours in September

When we return to school in September all classroom doors will open as soon as the school gate does at 8:45am, rather than 8:55am as has previously been the case. Registration will still officially close at 9:00am when classroom doors will close. This should help with congestion at this busy time each morning.

Fire Drill

We held a fire drill on Thursday morning. All children and staff were out of the building in 1minute 10 seconds. We are always incredibly proud of how sensible the children are and how efficient the staff are when these drills take place. Well done everyone!

Life Vac Device

We have been very fortunate this week to have been presented with a LifeVac Anti Choking Device for our school. The device has been funded by the Joe Mullin Memorial Fund in memory of Joseph Patrick Mullin but was actually won for us by our very own Mrs Packwood, at a charity fundraising event for Love Jasmine. The device has saved 2,450 lives to date worldwide and will be wall mounted between our school hall where the children eat and the EYFS department. We do hope that we never have to use it but are extremely grateful. Well done and thank you Mrs Packwood and all at the Love Jasmine charity.

School Meals

Just a reminder that we need two weeks' notice when changing from school meals to packed lunch and vice versa. If you wish to make changes to school meals for September you must notify us by Tuesday using the following email address stating your child's full name and class:

meals@holyrosaryschool.co.uk

Please do not just inform their class teacher as the message does not always reach the office and obviously orders need to be made for our return in September. Many thanks.

Dinner Money Arrears

All dinner money arrears must be paid by Tuesday. If you have not done so already, please pay via the Parentmail App or contact the School Office to discuss a repayment plan. Large debts will be passed on to Sefton Council to deal with if you ignore the amount and the reminders, as the school budget cannot fund such debts into next year. Many thanks.

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. By accessing this link holyrosarychurch.co.uk you will be able to find out what is happening in the parish, the archdiocese, and the wider community.

This is the final school bulletin of the year. It has been another fantastic year and I feel honoured to be able to lead such a wonderful school community. On behalf of myself and all the staff, thank you for your support this year and helping to keep this school such a wonderful place to be. Your children really are a credit to you, keep up the hard work of parenting, it is never easy, but it is definitely paying off! Have a wonderful Summer (when it eventually comes on Tuesday at 2:15pm) - I will see you all in September, God bless!

M STEVENSON
Headteacher

Diary for w/c 22nd July 2024

Monday	Y6 Leavers' Disco – School Hall - 5.45pm – 7.00pm
Tuesday	Y6 Leavers' Assembly – 10.00am – school hall – Parents invited
	School finishes at 2:15pm

RETURN TO SCHOOL TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER – DOORS OPEN AT 8:45AM