



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

28 April 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 for week ending 21 March 2017:-

Inf 1	99.2%
Inf 2	98.4%
Inf 3	99.1%
Inf 4	96%
Inf 5	98.2%
Inf 6	99.1%
J1	100%
J2	96.7%
J3	97.5%
J4	95%
J5	91.1%
J6	95.7%
J7	100%
J8	96.7%
Total for whole school	97.3%

Well done to J1 and J7 who achieved 100% attendance last week.

We are very pleased to say that we exceeding our target last week – a great achievement.

ParentMail

As you know we have been using ParentMail for some time for communicating with parents. As well as sending the weekly Bulletin, we also use it for sending letters, texts etc and we use the Parents Evening Manager. We have always received positive feedback from parents regarding ParentMail – parents have told us they like receiving the weekly Bulletin as it keeps them in touch with what is going on in school and they particularly like the ease with which they can make Parents Evening appointments.

As a next step, we have asked ParentMail to develop a new “Holy Rosary School Branded App” for us. They are currently in the process of designing and testing this and it should be ready in the next few weeks. The new Holy Rosary App will be easy for you to download, FREE, to your iPhone or Android phone from either the App Store or Google Play Store.

We will keep you informed of progress with the development of our App.

‘Smiggle’ Friday

The winners for last week were Sophie in J4 and William in Inf 5.

Chick Watch – Update

Today we said goodbye to our baby chicks. Mrs Gilbertson (morning nursery teacher) has taken two of the chicks home, to keep as pets. The other 9 have gone back to the farm.

The children in Reception have loved looking after the chicks and have learned a lot.

We have recorded some of the children talking about the chicks and we will be uploading the video to the school website shortly www.holyrosaryschool.co.uk.

Parish Newsletter

Please find attached this week's parish newsletter.

Football

There will be no further football training sessions for this academic year. The team are due to play some football matches over the next few weeks – we will inform you of the dates nearer the time.

Friends of Holy Rosary – Mr Stix event

The Friends of Holy Rosary are holding an evening of family entertainment at Holy Rosary Parish Centre. This takes place during the half-term on Wednesday 31 May 2017 between 4.00 and 6.00 pm. A letter was sent out recently – the Friends need replies to be sent back to school no later than next Friday 5 May 2017. Thank you.

Craze of the Week

Craze of the Week is proving to be a great success. This week the children chose diabolos and had a great time.

Social Communication Coffee Events

Please see attached flyer giving details of Social Communication Coffee Events. These events will provide parents/carers of children with Social Communication Difficulties an introduction to the service available via the Sefton Council SEN and Inclusion Service. These take place on Thursday 4 May and Friday 30 June 2017.

Breakfast Club – reminder

Please note that the breakfast club does not open till 8.00 am. Some children have been dropped off at school before 8.00 am when no supervision is available. If you arrive early, please wait with your child until the club opens. Many thanks.

Lent and the Good Shepherd Collection

Thanks for your donations for this year's Good Shepherd collection. We collected a total of £679.75. This money will be sent to the Nugent Care Society in Liverpool to support people in the Merseyside area.

Kingswood – reminder

Could we please remind all parents who are paying by monthly instalments, and who have not already sent in their cash/cheque, that the 1st payment of £65 was due at the end of March. Reminders have been sent home.

The 2nd instalment is now due. Thank you.

Levy – reminder

Thanks to everyone who has already sent in their Levy contribution. Reminder letters will be sent out next week.

CBBC Fantasy Game Show

CBBC are looking for applicants to take part in a Fantasy Game Show for children aged between 9 and 13 years. Please see attached flyer for further details.

Booster Seats – changes to the law

You may be aware of the new law on backless booster seats which has come into force from this month. Changes are being made to the weight and height at which a child will be allowed to use a backless booster seat. Further information on child seats can be found at www.goodeggcarsafety.com.

Sacramental Programme for Year 4 pupils

The last session for this year's Sacramental programme took place this week. We now look forward to the celebrations which take place in June.

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 group next meet on:-

Thursday 4 May 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 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.

Cleaners Required – reminder

We have been asked by Sefton Building Cleaning to let you know that they are still recruiting for cleaners – both permanent and casual jobs. The jobs require you to work 10 hours per week (3.30 pm to 5.30 pm) and the pay is £7.99 per hour. If you are interested, or know of a friend or relative who may be interested, please contact Mrs Pat Meadows on 07734 499708. Thank you.

MRS C MORRIS

Headteacher

Diary for w/c 1 May 2017

Monday	Bank Holiday – school closed
Tuesday	Dance Club – Year 2 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm
Wednesday	Spanish after school club – Years 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

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 1 May – May Day Bank Holiday
- w/c 8 May – KS2 SATs week
- 16 May – J2 class mass (during the school day)
- 26 May – end of term
- 29 May to 2 June – Half term
- 5 June – INSET day
- 6 June – return to school
- w/c 6 June – DT week
- 13 June – Reception New parents meeting
- 13 June – J2 class assembly – 2.50 pm in school
- w/c 19 June – Other Faiths week
- 20 June – J1 class assembly – 2.50 pm in school
- 21 June – Nursery New parents meeting
- 23 June – Sports Day for Years 1 to 6
- 27 June – School Holy Communion celebration mass
- 30 June – Sports Day for Nursery and Reception