



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

22 September 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 15 September 2017:-

Inf 1	95.3%
Inf 2	96%
Inf 3	96.1%
Inf 4	100%
Inf 5	92.6%
Inf 6	97.9%
J1	98.6%
J2	93.9%
J3	99.3%
J4	93.3%
J5	100%
J6	98.3%
J7	94.2%
J8	94.5%
Total for whole school	96.42%

We almost met our target last week.

Well done to Infant 4 and J5 for achieving 100% attendance last week.

Meet the Teacher for children in Years 1 to 6

Thanks to everyone who came to meet the teacher this week. I hope the sessions provided all the information that you need. Please don't hesitate to contact the class teacher if there is anything else you need to know.

Reception – Welcome Assembly and Meet the Teacher – reminder

The Reception Welcome Assembly will take place next Wednesday 27 September 2017 at 2.50 pm in the school hall. Following the assembly, the teachers will have their "Meet the Teacher" session in the hall. The Teaching Assistants will take the children back to their classrooms whilst the Meet the Teacher session takes place.

Music Roadshow

I was thrilled by the amount of children and parents who came along to try the instruments. Clearly music is very popular in the school. Music lessons will begin next week – Tuesday – Guitars, Wednesday – Woodwind and Thursday – Keyboard. Please contact the Music Service directly if your child still wishes to sign up.

Parking

Last week we received a complaint from a parent of a child in our school regarding parking on double yellow lines in the area, not just along Oriel Drive but around the corners of Haileybury and Denstone Avenue. The

parent also mentioned that cars are parked completely on the pavement and over the crossing points for pedestrians, so that parents with prams have to walk on the road.

Once again, I am appealing to you all to park with due care and attention when bringing children to school and picking them up. I am very concerned that this inconsiderate parking is going to result in an accident!

Also, we have received a complaint from a resident regarding the inconsiderate parking around the school. Parents continue to park across driveways blocking residents' access to their own homes. I am sure you can appreciate the inconvenience this presents residents with. How would you feel if people blocked the access to your home?

ParentMail & SIMS – reminder

This week we sent out the Data Collection Sheets. Please check the details, make any necessary amendments and return the form to school. Once we have updated the School Information Management System (SIMS), any changes of telephone numbers or e mail addresses, will automatically be transferred over to ParentMail. If changes are made to your ParentMail account you will receive a notification from them asking you to confirm the changes. Please make sure we have your up-to-date details as this helps ensure good communication between school and home.

Flu vaccination – reminder

The parents of children in Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 have received a letter regarding the annual flu vaccination programme. Thanks to those of you who have returned your form. We still have 47 forms outstanding. May I ask that you complete and return your form to school as soon as possible as the School Nurses will be calling into school next week to pick up the completed forms. Even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination, you still need to complete the form. Thank you.

Young Voices Concert

Monday is the deadline for signing up to attend the Young Voices concert.

Practical Maths Kits – reminder

When children move into Year 1 they are given a Practical Maths Kit Activity Pack to take home to help with their maths skills. At the end of Year 2 we ask for the kits to be returned to school. Could we please ask all parents of children who are now in Year 3 to return their kits to school as soon as possible so that we can give them to the children in Year 1. Thank you.

Football

There will be no Football training next Tuesday as Mr King is accompanying the Year 6 pupils to Kingswood. Training will re-commence the following week.

Admission to Reception and Nursery – September 2018

The governors of Holy Rosary School will meet in the New Year to consider applications for places in Reception and Nursery for September 2018. If you have a child who is due to start in either Nursery or Reception, please ensure you have completed the appropriate forms.

Please note that if you are applying for a place in Reception you must apply for a place for your child by completing your Local Authority's Common Admission Form – **the closing date for receipt of applications is 15 January 2018**. We have sent letters to parents of children of Nursery age, advising them of the process to follow in respect of admission to Reception. **Baptisms must have taken place prior to the closing date of 15 January 2018**.

I must remind you that it cannot be assumed younger siblings have an automatic right of admission, and parents should be aware that admission to Nursery does not guarantee a place in school. The Nursery and the School admission criteria are available on the school website.

Admission to Secondary School – September 2018 – reminder

Last week all the children in Year 6 were given a letter regarding how to apply for a place in Secondary School for September 2018. Please note that all applications must be submitted, on-line, by the national deadline which is **31 October 2017**.

If you live in Knowsley or Liverpool, you may need to contact your local authority for further advice on the correct procedure to follow.

Please note that if you are applying for a place for your child in a Voluntary Aided School, ie Maricourt, you will need to contact the school directly to complete one of their Supplementary Information Forms.

School Photographs – reminder

School Photographs are being taken on Monday 2 October 2017. During the day children will have the opportunity to have an individual and a family photograph taken.

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 5 October 2017

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

MRS C MORRIS

Headteacher

Diary for w/c 25 September 2016

Monday	J4 swimming Computer Code Club – Years 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.00 pm
Tuesday	No Football Training this week Cross Country Club – Years 4, 5 & 6 – 3.15 to 4.15 pm
Wednesday	Judo After School Club – 3.15 to 4.15 pm (for 5 weeks) Reception Welcome Assembly – 2.50 pm in the school hall Reception Meet the Teacher session – follows the assembly

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 25 to 29 September – Year 6 residential
- 27 September – Reception Welcome Assembly
- 2 October – School Photographs
- 4 October – J8 class mass (in school)
- 10 October – J6 class assembly at 2.50 pm in school hall
- 13 October – school disco (during the school day)
- w/c 16 October – DT week
- 17 October – Sacramental Programme meeting (Session 2) for Year 4 children and parents
- 20 October – INSET day
- 23 to 27 October – half term
- 30 October – return to school