

Holy Rosary Primary School

October 2018 - Newsletter No. 3

Dates for Your Diary

- Wednesday 17th October – ‘Enrolment Ceremony’ for P3 pupils at Good Shepherd Church at 1:30pm
- Thursday 25th October – H.S.A. ‘Halloween Movie Night’ – more details to follow
- Friday 26th October – Friday 2nd November (inclusive) - SCHOOL CLOSED to pupils for mid-term break.
- Monday 19th November – SCHOOL CLOSED to pupils for Parent-Teacher meetings

Home-School Association (H.S.A.)

Thank you to everyone involved with the Home-School Association for your continuous hard work to raise funds for our school. This week the pupils were able to attend a pantomime in school and this was funded by a donation made to the school by the H.S.A. Let us know if you can help with H.S.A. in any way. Their next meeting is on Monday 15th October at 7-8pm in school and all parents are welcome.

Parking on Sunnyside Crescent

Thank you to all those members of our school community who put the safety of our children first and co-operate with our request to NOT park in Sunnyside Crescent before and after school.

Maths Ireland ‘Numeracy Week’ 2018

Maths Week 2018 will run from 13th – 21st October. It is an Ireland wide celebration of all things mathematical and during this time, teachers will focus on planning fun, interesting and challenging activities to be completed in school and at home. As part of this celebration we also look forward to hosting a theatre company whose curriculum based performances bring Numeracy to life!

Nut Free School

As you are aware there are a number of children in the school who suffer from nut allergies. This requires all members of the school community to be vigilant particularly when food is brought into school. Whilst it is a lovely thought to share birthday treats with your son or daughter’s class, in the interests of the health and safety of all children in our school, we remind you of our request that parents **do not send in food** to celebrate a child’s birthday. Thank-you for your co-operation.

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Eco-Schools

This week arc21 visited Key Stage 2 pupils with their bespoke Education Vehicle and Waste Promotions Officer. The pupils enjoyed this resource as a way of finding out more about the 'Reduce, Re-use, Recycle' message.

Extended Schools

We are fortunate, this year again, to be able to offer a range of activities such as Dance, Jumping Clay, Ready for Anything etc. Some of these activities are free or ask for a minimal fee and this is due to 'Extended Schools' funding. We will send notes out as soon as places become available for an activity. Places for these activities are often limited so if your child is interested in joining a club, please return the note promptly and encourage your child to attend all sessions.

Additional Literacy and Numeracy classes

P4 classes for Literacy & Numeracy will start on Tuesday 6th November from 3-4pm. All P4 pupils will soon receive a note home with full details of the classes (times/dates.) We would appreciate if all notes could be returned by Thursday 25th October to indicate which classes your child will be attending. We would encourage all pupils to avail of this fantastic opportunity to improve their Literacy and Numeracy skills. Thank you to P7 pupils and parents who have supported this half-term's extra classes in Literacy and Numeracy. We have been able to deliver these additional classes due to 'Extended Schools' funding.

Boys & Girls Gaelic teams update

- *Congratulations to the Boys' Gaelic team who progressed to the semi-final stage after winning two matches in the group stage of the Cumann na Bunscoil league.
- *Further congratulations to the Girls' Gaelic team who played their first match of the school year on Wednesday 10th October in Cherryvale.
- *Finally; well done to P4/5 Girls and Boys who participated in the Opening Games of the Cherryvale 4G pitch. They were excellent ambassadors for their school and showed great skill in their performance.

Parents' English Classes

Free English Classes for *adults* run in school every Friday from 15:30 - 17:00. A crèche for children age 0-4 is available at this time.

Twitter

We now have 850+ followers on our school Twitter account. It is a great way to keep updated about school events and achievements. You can follow us directly if you have a Twitter account (@holyroaryps) or, if not, view our Twitter feed on the school's website homepage: www.holyrosarypsbelfast.com

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