

Holy Cross Boys' Primary School

H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners

Rainbow Room: Ivan Aldoshun **P1B:** Sean Michael Neeson O'Neill & Ian Silva Brito **P1M:** Jordan McMullan & Odhran McGranaghan **2F:** Conn Curran & Shay Gilvary **P2J:** Caolan Doherty & Ryan Og Longman **P3M:** Caolan McAllister & Shea McCaul **P3L:** Rio Faulkner & Nathan Ewing **P4W:** Pearse and Sean McCrudden **P4L:** Piaras Watt & Lorcan Timmons **P5J:** Daniel Murtagh & Alfie O'Hare **P5W:** Sean Og Copeland & Tiernan Scullion **P6C:** Oisín Hamilton & Fionn Kavanagh **6Mc:** Alex Hamilton & Padraig McClafferty **7H:** Odhran Fegan & Braedan Finnegan **7B:** Cillian Reid & Sean Linden

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Patrick Llewellyn, Kaiden McLaughlin, Maddex Neill, Pearse Osbourne, Caoimhim Catney, Fionn Morgan, Jack Hamilton, Daniel McGonigle, Adam Cluskey, James McCorry, Odhran McGranaghan, Kaeden Morgan, Ryan Owens & Fionn McCabe.

Term 1 Reading Prize Winners: Congratulations to all our Primary 1 to 3 pupils for trying really hard with their reading in school and to our Primary 4-7 pupils for reading the most words in their respective classes for Accelerated Reader from Halloween to present. Well done to all our prize winners who won a football or a voucher from Freak Treats for their efforts. **Rainbow Room:** Bruno Chodkowski & Edward Zi Hao **P1M:** Caleb Davidson & Caolan Moore **P1B:** Lorcan Cahill & Patrick Llewellyn **P2F:** Kaelan Gilvary & Logan Russell **P2J:** Zavion Den Heijer & Gerard Frame **P3M:** Calvin McGeough & Shea McCaul **P3L:** Haiden Toner & Patrick O'Neill **P4L:** Nathan Haughey & Bradain Kane **P4W:** Eoghan Cromie & Noah McKeown **P5J:** Jayden Reid & Aidan Kelly **P5W:** Tiernan Graham & Jack Coogan **P6M:** Jack Murphy & Michael Morgan **P6C:** Aidan Travers & Anthony O'Hara **P7H:** Daire McGibbon & Ethan Mullan **P7B:** Caleb McCartan & Antonio Brown (pics below)

Christmas Dinner: The boys really got into the festive spirit last Wednesday as they dressed in their Christmas jumpers and thoroughly enjoyed their delicious Christmas dinner. Thanks to Maria at Mercy and our canteen staff for doing a great job (pic below).

Solitude Friday Visit: Well done to the following boys who were selected to go to Solitude on Friday for a coaching session on the pitch with our two current staff members and local football stars Tony Kane (Dundela FC) and Joe Gormley (Cliftonville FC). The boys were selected for their outstanding attitude and behaviour. Thanks so much to Cliftonville FC and especially Imelda Pettigrew for the use of their superb facilities every Friday. **P4:** Noah McKeown, Rio Lawlor Alex Cameron & Caleb McCann **P5:** Christopher Moloney, Junior Brady-Evans, Tiernan Graham & Daniel Ferris **P6:** Ethan Hall, Jamie Burns, Tayo Keya & Riley Loughlin **P7:** Antonio Brown, Dylan Murphy, Gerard Mailey & Fionn McCabe.

Boxing: P4, 6 & 7 boys thoroughly enjoyed their 3rd boxing session in the Ardoyne Youth Club last Wednesday with the Irish Athletic boxing Association (IABA).

Mental Health Awareness: continues for P6 and 7 pupils on Thursday 16th December with Joe Watson.

Accelerated Reader: Top Readers on Fri 10th Dec 2021: **P4L:** Nathan Haughey **P4W:** Sean McConnell McAuley **P5J:** Aidan Kelly **P5W:** Tiernan Graham **P6C:** Stephen Murtagh **P6M:** Aidan Murphy **P7B:** Mason McGuinness **P7H:** Daire McGibbon **Total Word Count:** 21,190,756

Uberheroes: P7H had a very insightful and thought provoking session with Dee and Nadia, from Uberheroes NI. They looked at the dangers of self harm and how to help each other when they're feeling sad and anxious. Well done everyone.

Christmas events coming up: **Thur 16th Dec: Seasonal day of celebration** - P1-3 pupils finish at 11:45 and P4-7 pupils will finish at 12:00. Each class will host a movie morning and the pupils may bring a break of their choice. Burgers and chips will be served in the classrooms for the free school meal boys. The Rainbow Room, Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils will be brought to the assembly hall to visit Santa. Santa will then visit the Primary 3 classrooms with a small gift for each child. The boys may wear their Christmas jumper to school. The Big Christmas Draw will be drawn on this date and winners will be notified. **Fri 17th December: Christmas Show (P1-3)** - A video link of the P1 to 3 class performances will be sent out on the School Jotter app. The P7 Carol Service will be on Mon 20th Dec 2021 at 1pm in the church (pupils only attending). Parents and P1-6 pupils can watch online on the church website.

Primary 1 Admissions for September 2022: The application procedure opens on 10th January 2022 at noon and closes on 28 Jan 2022 at noon.

Attendance: Well done to those boys **310/397 (78 %)**, who had 100% attendance for last week and will now receive their Written Homework Passes for this Thursday 9th December 2021. Whole School average attendance for last week was **92 %**.

St Anne's Trust project: 5W recorded their beautiful carols for the St Anne's Trust project. We would like to extend our thanks to our Music Co-ordinator, Mrs Martin, and to the wonderful Mrs Harper from the St Anne's Trust for sharing their expertise with us during Term 1.

Punctuality: A specific Punctuality Monitor (scheduled from Mon 17th to Fri 28th Jan 2022) will be kept to help target pupils with difficulties in this regard.



Diary Dates

- *Christmas Celebration: Thurs 16th Dec 2021 (Early Finish)
- *Christmas Show (P1-3): Video link sent out to parents on 17/12/21
- *Christmas Hols: Early finish on Wed 22nd Dec. Pupils return on Mon 10th Jan 2022.
- *P1 Admissions for Sept 2022: Opens 10th Jan 22 at noon.
- *Punctuality Monitor: 2 weeks 17-28 Jan 2022
- *Parent Teacher Interviews: Fri 11th Feb 2022 (phone calls)
- *Mid term: Pupil finish Thur 10th Feb & return Mon 21st Feb 2022
- *St. Patrick's Hols: Pupils have early finish on Tue 15th and return on Mon 21st March 2022.
- *Easter Hols: Pupil finish Thur 14th & return on Mon 25th Apr 22
- *Confirmation: P7H R20 Thur 10th & P7B R21 Fri 11th Mar 22.
- *First Holy Communion: P4W (Tue 24 May) & P4L (Wed 25 May).

Primary 1-7 Term 1 Reading Prize Winners



House System Winners



Wellbeing Weekly

Philosophy Question: Is it ok to do something wrong if no one sees it or knows about it?
Weekly Challenge: Say a prayer for a family member or a friend every night this week.
Motivational Quote: To change the world we must be good to those who cannot repay us.
 Pope Francis

Philosopher of the Week

Musician of the Week

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
Savoury Mince & Onion Mashed Potato Baton Carrots Broccoli Florets	Chocolate Sponge & Custard	Breast of Chicken Curry Boiled Rice Nanon Carrots Bread Sweetcorn	Yoghurt & Pineapple	Breaded Cod Fish Fingers Mashed Potato Baked Beans	Swiss Roll & Custard	Roast Loins of Pork Oven Roast Potatoes Mashed Potato Savoy Cabbage Herb Stuffing & Gravy	Popcorn Cookie & Watermelon	Hotdog Chips Peas Sauté Onions	Ice-cream and Fruit Salad

YEAR	START Times	Finish Times	Friday Finishing Times
1	9.15	2.00	12.45
2	8.45	2.15	1.00
3	9.00	2.30	1.00
4	8.45	2.45	1.15
5	9.00	3.00	1.15
6	8.45	2.45	1.15
7	9.00	3.00	1.15

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