

Merry Christmas!

Holy Cross Boys' Primary School

H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners

Rainbow Room: Caleb Robinson **P1B**; Sean Carmichael & Darragh Mackin **P1M**; Theo Hughes & Harrison Conlon **2F**; Leo Hall & Liam Robinson **P2J**; Kieran Og Kearns & Daniel Foster **P3M**; Cain Duffy & Jake Smyth **P3L**; Conlon Clarke-Foster & Conan McNeill **P4W**; Caiden McKinney & Kaelem Madden **P4L**; Caoimhin McGarry & Logan Smith Kennedy **P5J**; Josh Lyttle & Tyler O'Halloran **P5W**; Danny McGonigle & Cael Mullan **P6C**; Riley McNally & Ronan Vernon **6Mc**; Jack Murphy & Jay McKeown **7H**; Kyle Wylie & Jack Bradley-Kearns **7B**; Conor Mailey & Antonio Brown

Term 1 Attendance Award Winners: Congratulations to all our Primary 1 to 7 pupils for having outstanding attendance this term. Well done to all our prize winners who won a football or £5.00 for their efforts. **Rainbow Room:** Sebastian Burns & John Og Robinson-Taylor **P1M** Lorcan Sproule & Aodhan Catney **P1B** Caleb Donaghy & Liam Eagle **P2F** Lucas Saunders & Daniel McCluskey **P2J** Jude Butler & Conan Donnelly **P3M** Rafael Escano & Leyton Smith **P3L** Ronan Gillespie & Haiden Toner **P4L** Ethan Maguire & Leo Murray **P4W** Ciaran Gormley & Sean McCrudden **P5J** Josh Lyttle & Justin Osborne **P5W** Daniel McGonigle & Christopher Gormley **P6M** Kaiden McLaughlin & Cian Sproule **P6C** Jack Gouldie & Kieron Turley **P7H** Daire McGibbon & Conor Quinn **P7B** Tiernan Ferrin & Riley Doran (pics below).

Solitude Friday Visit: This will restart on Fri 14th Jan 2022. We are very fortunate to have this for our pupils on a weekly basis as it really motivates the boys in many ways. Thanks so much to Cliftonville FC and especially Imelda Pettigrew for the use of their superb facilities every Friday.

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

Mental Health Awareness will restart on for P6 and 7 pupils on Thursday 13th January 2022 with Joe Watson.

Accelerated Reader: Top Readers on Fri 17th Dec 2021: **P4L:** Alex Cameron **P4W:** Eoghan Cromie **P5J:** Ryan Flood **P5W:** Danny McGonigle **P6C:** Callum Russell **P6M:** Jack Murphy **P7B:** Sean Linden **P7H:** Ethan Mullan **Total Word Count: 23,061,762**

Seasonal Day of Celebration: The boys thoroughly enjoyed our Seasonal Day of Celebration last Thursday when they wore their Christmas jumpers and the younger pupils had an exciting visit from Santa.

Christmas Show (P1-3) Enjoy our superb P1 to 3 Christmas Show class performances using the following link. Thank you so much to all our teachers and Classroom Assistants who put in a huge effort to prepare the boys meticulously and a special mention to our music specialist, Mrs Martin and I.C.T Coordinator, Mrs Mohan. Well done boys! <https://youtu.be/HRICywoGCC4>

The Christmas Draw also took place live on Facebook (Link: <https://www.facebook.com/kevin.avevey/videos/331673028509365/?d=n>)

Christmas Ballot Prize Winners: 1st (Jewellery) Paul Quinn and £5 Seller Winner Riley Harper. 2nd (Nintendo Cars) Barry McKervey and £5 Seller Winner Noah McKervey. 3rd (Signed Cliftonville Ball) D McAllister and £5 Seller Winner Braden McAllister. Trolley Ballot Winners were 1st Jamie Burns - P6 Room 18 (Robot Toys) and 2nd Fionn Kavanagh - P6 Room 19 (Fire Station Toy).

The Joy of Christmas Carols: Please watch our talented boys sing and play some well known Christmas Carols using the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v3JUEQ-nlIA>

P7 Carol Service scheduled for Mon 20th Dec IN THE CHURCH has been CANCELLED.

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

Buddy Up Programme P1B, P3L and P7B sent Christmas cards to Glenwood Primary School this week and Louise Irvine (CRIS) delivered the cards from Glenwood (pic below).

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

Philosophy: Mr McAreevy continues to deliver thought provoking Philosophy Enquiries - This week, the boys discussed perception and points of view from The Chair Story!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tiernan Smith **Tyler O'Halloran**
Kai Baker **Aidan Clarke**
Theo Hughes **Oisín Colohan**
Finn McNally **Noah Kelly**
Riley Doran **Caleb Patterson**

FLASHBACK FRIDAYS



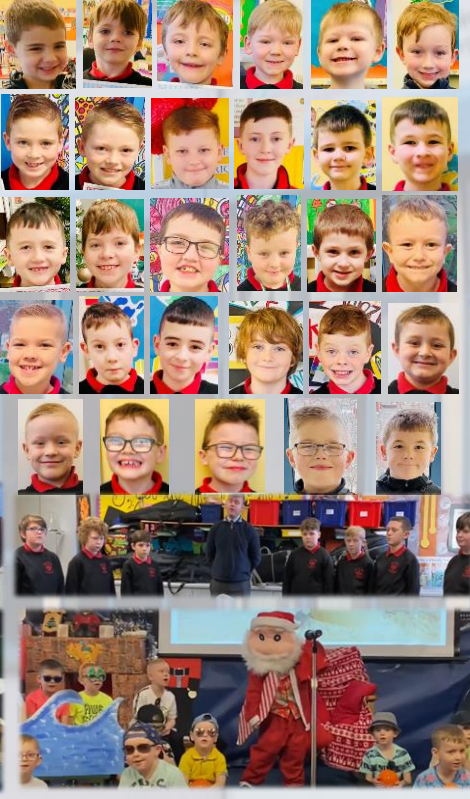
Diary Dates

- *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.

Primary 1-7 Term 1 Attendance Prize Winners



House System Winners



Wellbeing Weekly

Philosophy Question: Is there a reason for life and what is it?
Weekly Challenge: Call a friend that you haven't played with in a while.
Motivational Quote: A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new. Albert Einstein

Philosopher of the Week



Musician of the Week



School Dinners

Week 4
 Breast of Chicken Curry
 Boiled Rice
 Naan Bread
 Garden Peas
 Jam & Coconut Sponge & Custard

No Dinners served on Wed 22nd Dec. Early Finish **P1-3@11.45** and **P4-7@12.00**
Pupils return on Mon 10th Jan 2022.

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