



Holy Cross Boys' Primary School



H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners on Friday 28th Jan 22

Rainbow Room: Edward Zhao **P1B:** Noah Prenter & Maddex Neill **P1M:** Luca Maguire & Lochlann **P3M:** Tomas Cosgrove & Charlie Armstrong **P3L:** Jake Rossborough Barnes & Jack McAuley Reid **P4L:** Nathan Haughey & Lorcan Timmons **P5J:** Tyler O'Hallaron & Conor Davey **P5W:** Cormac Magee & Jack Murphy **P6C:** Kieron Turley & Aidan Green **6Mc:** Cian Sproule & Jude Kelly **7H:** Leon Maguire & Logan McGarry **7B:** Ruari Larkin & Caolan McKeown

- ☛ 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 efforts with their behaviour and thanks so much to Cliftonville FC and especially Imelda Pettigrew for the use of their superb facilities every Friday. **P4:** Leo Murray, Aodhan McCaul, Caoimhin McGarry & Jay Taylor **P5:** Caoimhin McBride, Oisín Steenson, Logan Magill & Cael Mullan **P6:** Aidan Murphy, Tayo Keya, Kaiden McLaughlin, Aodhan Sloan & Fionn Kavanagh **P7:** Kailum Murphy, Conor Quinn & Luke Quinn.
- ☛ Accelerated Reader:** **Top Readers** on Fri 28th Jan 2022: **P4L:** Caleb McCann **P4W:** Eoghan Cromie **P5J:** Jayden Reid **P5W:** Cael Mullen **P6C:** Anthony O'Hara **P6M:** Jay McKeown **P7B:** Liam Crawford **P7H:** Patrick McCullough **Total Word Count: 27,662,270 words read.**
- ☛ Mental Health Awareness** for Primary 6 and 7 pupils will be on Thursday 3rd February 2022 with Joe Watson.
- ☛ MUSIC:** **Drums** continue on Wednesdays from 11.00am to 12.00noon for selected Primary 5 and 6 pupils. Singing Practice continues to take place with selected year groups on Thursdays and Fridays.
- ☛ PPTC (GL Assessment)** results will arrive at children's homes on Saturday 5th Feb 2022
- ☛ Year 8 post-primary applications:** The online EA Post-Primary Application portal will open at 12 noon this Tuesday 1st February 2022 and close at 4pm on 23rd February 2022 for Year 8 post-primary applications. A promotional video for parents informing them of the online application process and outlining key messages is available. Video link <https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions/admissions-videos-and-guidance>
- ☛ Physical Education:** **Gaelfast Hurling/Gaelic Football Coaching** for P5J R8, P5W R9 and P6M R18 will continue on Tue 25th and also for P4W R12, P4L R13 & P7H R20 on Wed 26th Jan 2022. Many thanks to Ardoyne Youth Club for the use of their facilities each week. **Boxing** sessions with the Irish Athletic boxing Association (IABA) are scheduled for P5J R8, P5W R9 and P6M R18 on Wednesdays and P7H R20, P7B R21 and P6C R19 on Fridays.
- ☛ Attendance:** Well done to those boys who had 100% attendance for last week and will now receive their Written Homework Passes for this Thur 3rd Feb 2022. Mr McArey and Mr Curran will visit all 15 classes at mid-term and any boy who has put in a great effort with attendance from 10th Jan to Wed 9th Feb will have a chance to win a prize (football or £5.00).
- ☛ Philosophy:** Mr McArey continues to deliver thought provoking Philosophy Enquiries. This week's philosophy was based upon a story from past pupil, Corey Maguire. The boys listened to his story, 'The Boy's Friend Who Lied' and reasoned on the question, Is it ok to lie?
- ☛ AWARD for HCB:** We were thrilled to be honoured with Distinction, the Spirit of Catholic Education Award 2022. This is in recognition of our school's outstanding commitment to partnership and community outreach. A real team effort from our pupils, parents, governors and staff in helping to achieve this reward. We received this certificate at the Awards Ceremony in St Mary's University College.
- ☛ Catholic Schools Week:** The boys were delighted to have a classroom visit on Friday from our recently installed School Chaplain (for a second period), Brian McKee, who talked to the boys about the reasons why HCB would be selected for the Spirit of Catholic Education Award 2022. He received some great answers, and this brought our activities for Catholic Schools Week to an excellent conclusion.

Michael Gormley
Odhran McEvoy Rock
Mark McConnell
Kieran Muldoon
Tiernan Ferrin
Junio Keya
Caiden O'Hara

***PPTC (GL Assessment)** results arrive at children's homes on Saturday 5th Feb 2022
***Service of Commitment & Light:** 8th Feb 2022
***Mid-term P1-7 Attendance Prizes** 9th Feb
***Mid-term P1-7 Reading Prizes** 10 Feb
***Parent Teacher Interviews:** Fri 11th Feb 2022 (phone calls)
***Mid term:** Pupil finish Thur 10th Feb & return on Mon 21st Feb 2022
***Ash Wednesday Service (P4-7)** on 2 Mar 2022
***St. Patrick's Hols:** Pupils have early finish on Tue 15th and return on Mon 21st March 2022.
***Confirmation:** P7H R20 Thur 10th & P7B R21 Fri 11th Mar 22.
***P1-7 Reading Prizes (End Term 2):** 12 Apr
***P1-7 Attendance Prizes (End Term 2):** 13 April
***Easter Hols:** Pupil finish Thur 14th & return on Mon 25th Apr 22.
***First Holy Communion:** P4W (Tue 24 May) & P4L (Wed 25 May).



Philosophy Question: Do you know what love is?
Weekly Challenge: Be aware of your senses. What do you feel, see, hear, taste and smell?
Motivational Quote: The only way to do great work is to love what you do.
Steve Jobs

Philosopher of the Week

Musician of the Week

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

School Dinners

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spaghetti Bolognese Garlic Bread Tossed Salad Sweetcorn	Chicken Goujons Mashed Potato Garden Peas Tossed Salad	Roast Loin of Pork Apple Sauce Oven Roast Potatoes Mashed Potato Baton Carrots Broccoli Florets Herb Stuffing & Gravy	Cottage Pie Sliced Carrots Green Beans Wheaten Bread	Fish Fingers Chips Beans Tossed Salad

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