

# Holy Cross Boys' Primary School



## H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners

**Rainbow Room:** Ivan Aldoshun **P1B:** Keaton Grogan & Lorcan Cahill **P1M:** Roan McFarlane & Aodhan Catney **2F:** Odhran McGibbon 7 Conan Magee **P2J:** Martin Shortt & Tiarnan Murphy **P3M:** James O'Neill & Donal Lindsay **P3L:** Patrick O'Neill & James Corr **P4W:** Darragh Whelan & Martin Lundy **P4L:** Jay Dilucia & Shay Braniff **P5J:** Conor Davey & Jayden Reid **P5W:** Gavin Og McKeown & Jack Murphy **P6C:** Riley Laughlin & Aodhan Ewing **6Mc:** Eoin Norney & Kaiden McLaughlin **7H:** Zach Perry & Ethan Mullan **7B:** Sean Linden & Ruari Larkin.

**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 attitude. Thanks so much to Cliftonville FC and especially Imelda Pettigrew for the use of their superb facilities every week. **P4:** Michael Burns, Caiden McKinney, Shay Braniff & Ryan Reilly. **P5:** Tyler O'Halloran, Faelan McGuckian, Kaiden Boyle-McAllister & Mark McConnell. **P6:** Kaiden McLaughlin, Tayo Keya, Christian Smyth & Odhran McEvoy. **P7:** Tiernan Ferrin, Mason McGuinness, Juniyo Keya & Finn McNally.

**HCB Anti-Bullying Ambassadors:** Our new HCB Anti-Bullying Ambassadors (pics below) started last week in the Primary 1 to 3 Play Zones to assist the staff member on duty. This excellent new initiative was one of many new ideas which came from our Student Council. The boys will wear a special badge and a high vis jacket so that their presence is clearly visible. The boys introduced themselves to their respective P1-3 classes and assured the younger boys that they are there to help in any way. Our pupils continue to display role modelling behaviour which has a positive impact on their peers.

**P7 Transition Week:** The Primary 7 Transition Week will start tomorrow, Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Feb for 4 days where the P7 pupils will get a taste of the experience that they will get in their next schools this September 2022. We will be welcoming teachers from many schools, including Mercy College, Hazelwood, Edmund Rice, Blessed Trinity and St. Mary's to provide the boys with specific lessons. Thanks to Mr Morrin (Community Links Coordinator) for liaising and organising this excellent week in the HCB Calendar.

**Philosophy:** Mr McArevey continues to deliver thought provoking Philosophy Enquiries. Last week, the philosophy was based on If we believe it to be true - is it? On the question of does, Good always triumph over Evil? Cain said, 'whatever you put out, whether it's good or bad, will always come back - so send out good!'

**Music:** Drums and Violin lessons continue on Wednesdays and Brass lessons continue on Thursdays for selected pupils.

**Mental Health Awareness** for Primary 6 and 7 pupils will be on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 with Joe Watson. **TAMHI Group in AYC:** P5 ad P6 have been booked into AYC with the TAMHI Group on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 for an interactive session on promoting mental health & well being through sport and games. **P5J** 9-10am, **P5W** 10-11am, **P6C** 11-12pm & **P6McS** 1:30-2:30pm.

**PE: Gaelfast Hurling/Gaelic Football Coaching** for P5J R8, P5W R9 and P6M R18 will continue on Tuesdays and also for P4W R12, P4L R13 & P7H R20 on Wednesdays. Many thanks to Ardoyne Youth Club for the use of their facilities each week. **Boxing** sessions with the Irish Athletic Boxing Association (IABA) will take place for P5J R8, P5W R9 and P6M R18 on Wednesdays and P7H R20, P7B R21 & P6C R19 on Fridays.

**P7 Retreat:** Organised for Monday 21 (P7H) and Monday 28 March (P7B) in the Houben Centre with Margaret from the Pastoral Centre - 9-2-30pm.

**FRECKLE:** Top Boys this week on Freckle on Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Feb: **P4L:** Ronan Burns, **P4W** Eoghan Cromie, **P5J** Ryan Flood, **P5W** Danny McGonigl, **P6M** Aidan Murphy, **P7B** Caleb McCartan and **P7H** Ciaran Lee. Total Minutes this week: Count: 7,745.

**Accelerated Reader:** Top Readers on Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Feb: **P4L:** Nathan Haughey, **P4W** Noah McKeown, **P5J** Cain Whelan, **P5W** Jack Murphy, **P6C** Aidan Travers, **P6M** Michael Morgan, **P7B** Mason McGuinness and **P7H** Ethan Mullan. Total Word Count: 32,299,903.

**RTE Radio Interview:** Mr McArevey was invited on to the The Ryan Tubridy RTE Radio 1 Show on Thur 24<sup>th</sup> Feb, to talk about the film, Young Plato. You can hear the full interview using the following link: <https://www.rte.ie/radio/radio1/clips/22066698/>

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Thomas Casey, Stefan Frederick, Lindsay Lennon, Conleth McGuinness, James Braniff, Ruairi Devlin, Corey McCaffrey, Ronan Vernon, Conan Milligan & Braedan Finnegan.

**Diary Dates**

- \*P7 Transition Week: Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Feb to Thur 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 (inclusive).
- \*Ash Wednesday Service (P4-7) 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar 11am
- \*St. Patrick's Holidays: Pupils have early finish on Tue 15<sup>th</sup> and return on Mon 21<sup>st</sup> March 22.
- \*Confirmation: P7H R20 Thur 10<sup>th</sup> & P7B R21 Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Mar 22 (in Holy Cross Church 11.00am)
- \*P4 First Confession (2 classes) Tue 5<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am in school.
- \*P3 First Confession (2 classes) Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am in school.
- \*P1-7 Reading Prizes (End Term 2): 12 Apr
- \*P1-7 Attendance Prizes (End Term 2): 13 April
- \*Easter Holidays: Pupil finish Thur 14<sup>th</sup> & return on Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Apr 22.

**Wellbeing Weekly**

**Philosophy Question:** What is friendship and why do we need it?

**Weekly Challenge:** Stand on one leg and close your eyes – can you beat 30 seconds without losing your balance?

**Motivational Quote:** You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us and the world will live as one. John Lennon.



**Philosopher of the Week**

**Musican of the Week**

**Reader of the Week**

**Mathematician of the Week**

Week 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breast of Chicken Curry Boiled Rice Naan Bread Garden Peas	Irish Stew Broccoli Florets Wheaten Bread	Roast Breast of Chicken Oven Roast Potatoes Mashed Potato Baton Carrots Diced Turnip Herb Stuffing & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese Crusty Baguette Tossed Salad	Fishfingers Chips Crunchy Coleslaw Sweetcorn	

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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