



Holy Cross Boys' Primary School



H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners on Friday 4th Feb 22

P1B: Caleb Donaghy & Connlaodh Delaney **P1M:** Fionn Wallace & Cillian Doherty **P2F:** Conan Magee & Logan Russell **P2J:** James Waide & James Rodgers **P3M:** Noah McKerverey & Lewis Campbell **P3L:** Conan McNeill & Connor Weatherall **P4L:** Michael Connors & Bradain Kane **4W:** Sean Murphy & Caoimhin Catney **P5J:** Josh Lyttle & Jake Patterson **P5W:** Mark McConnell & Michael-John Nugent **P6C:** Callum Russell & Ronan Vernon **6Mc:** Caodhan Lowry & Cian Sproule **7H:** Ryan McCann & Juniyo Keya **7B:** Ethan Cunningham & Caolan McKeown



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jude Kelly	Jack Moss
Jayden Reid	Joseph Cosgrove
Daniel Ferris	Christopher Gormley
Jack McAuley Reid	Noah McKeown
Pearse White	Thomas Goodall
Tiernan Graham	Padraig McClafferty
Christopher Stitt	Jay Taylor
Leo Murray	Nathan Haughey
Tighearnan Breslin	Oisín Steenson
Conor Davey	Jack Stewart

Mid-Term Break: HCB will be closed on Fri 11th Feb & pupils will return to school on Mon 21st February.

Solitude Friday Visit: Well done to the following boys who were selected to go to Solitude 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. Due to the weather on Friday, this was rescheduled for Thursday 10th Feb. **P4:** Pearse McCrudden, Martin Lundy, Junior Mervyn Sharma & Finnbar Johnston. **P5:** Aidan Kelly, Barra Quinn, Jack Murphy & Phoenix O'Sullivan. **P6:** Kaiden McLaughlin, Jack Murphy, Aodhan Ewing & Oisín Hamilton. **P7:** Ethan Cunningham, Caolan McKeown, Juniyo Keya & Finn McNally.

Mental Health Awareness for Primary 6 and 7 pupils will be on Thursday 10th February 2022 with Joe Watson.

Year 8 post-primary applications: The online EA Post-Primary Application portal will open at 12 noon last Tuesday 1st February 2022 and will 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 Tuesday and also for P4W R12, P4L R13 & P7H R20 on Wednesday of this week. 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: Mr McAreevey and Mr Curran will visit all 15 classes this Wednesday 9th February and any boy who has put in a great effort with attendance will have a chance to win a prize (football or £5.00).

Philosophy: Mr McAreevey continues to deliver thought provoking Philosophy Enquiries. This week's philosophy was based on Dreams v Reality with P5J R8.

Religious Events/Dates: Service of Commitment & Light: 8th Feb in Holy Cross Church @1.30pm. Ash Wednesday Service (P4-7) on 2 Mar @11.00am. Confirmation: P7H R20 Thur 10th & P7B R21 Fri 11th Mar 22 (in Holy Cross Church 11.00am). P4 First Confession (2 classes) Tue 5th April @11.00am in school. P3 First Confession (2 classes) Thursday 7th April @11.00am in school. First Holy Communion: P4W (Tue 24 May) & P4L (Wed 25 May) in Church @11.00am

Parent/Teacher Interviews: Teachers will provide parents with a day/time for the phonecall. It is essential that these conversations take place so that parents are informed of their child's progress relating to academic and pastoral matters.

MUSIC: Brass lessons continues on Thursdays, Violin Lessons on Wednesdays and Drums on Wednesdays for selected pupils. Singing Practice continues to take place with selected year groups on Thursdays and Fridays.

Firemen Visit: The P5 classes loved their visit from the Firemen last Wednesday when they learned about the importance of safety around fires and how they can start. They also got to take a close look at the Fire Truck.

St Brigid's Day: Some of the boys made wonderful St. Brigid's crosses to celebrate this special day last Tue 1st Feb (Pic below).

CRIS (Community Relations In Schools): More fun in Room 21 with the team from CRIS on Thursday morning! As usual Mrs Brooks' P7's thoroughly enjoyed the session (Pic below).

Diary Dates

- *Service of Commitment & Light: 8th Feb in Holy Cross Church @ 1.30pm
- *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 11.00am
- *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 (in Holy Cross Church 11.00am)
- *P4 First Confession (2 classes) Tue 5th April at 11.00am in school.
- *P3 First Confession (2 classes) Thursday 7th 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 Hols: Pupil finish Thur 14th & return on Mon 25th Apr 22.
- *First Holy Communion: P4W (Tue 24 May) & P4L (Wed 25 May) in Church @ 11.00am

Wellbeing Weekly

Philosophy Question: Do we need to fail to learn?

Weekly Challenge: Do something nice for your mum/dad or guardian.

Motivational Quote: I've not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work. Thomas A. Edison



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	Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Beef Burger & Gravy Mashed Potato Beans Tossed Salad	Rice Pudding & Peaches	Lasagne Crunchy Coleslaw Garlic Bread Garden Peas	Cod Goujons Mashed Potato Mushy Peas Tossed Salad Tartar Sauce	Roast Breast of Chicken Oven Roast Potatoes Mashed Potato Diced Carrots & Parsnip Herb Stuffing & Gravy	School closed - No Dinners Fri 11 th Feb
			Shortbread & Watermelon	Apple Crumble & Custard	Rice Krispie Square & Custard	

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