

# Nurturing Talent & Fulfilling Potential



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## H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners for 5<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> December 2022

- ARISTOTLE** Rainbow Rm: Eoin Finnegan Starlight Rm: Dáire Savage P1F: Alfie Cunningham & James Engelen P1T: Ceejay McCafferty & Cruz Perry 2Q: Luca Maguire & Edward Og Begley P2M: Ian Silva Brito & Darragh Mackin P3M: Jude Cooke-Faulkner & Ollie Maguire P3L: Cohan Rafferty & Gerard Frame P4M: Patrick O'Neill & Rio Cooke-Faulkner P4W: Jaxson Bittles & Jack Moss P5C: Piaras Watt & Jay Taylor P5M: Odhran Leith Corbett & Harley Finnegan P6EJ: Jayden Reid & Cain Whelan 6MJ: Christopher Moloney & Josh Lyttle 7H: Odhran McEvoy & Stephen Turley
- MILL**
- PLATO**
- SOCRATES**

**Solitude Winners:** 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, 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. Starlight & P4: Dylan Og Kelly, Junior Lavery, Donal Lindsay, James McCorry, Leyton Smyth, Conor Moyna, Jake Mailey & Jack McAuley Reid. P5: Corey Doran, Lorcan Timmons, Jay Taylor, Martin Lundy, Mason Engelen & Sean McCrudden. P6: Alfie O'Hare, Aidan Kelly, Kaiden Boyle-McAllister, Michael John Nugent, Christopher Gormley & Christopher Moloney. P7: Padraig McClafferty, Cain Sproule, Jayden O'Shea, Matthew Murphy, Rhys Reilly & Kieron Turley.

**FLU Vaccine** P1 - P7 takes place this **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December** in the hall.  
**HCB Open Day** (for P1 Enrolment in September 2023) experienced a good turn out on Wednesday in the school hall and the prospective parents enjoyed our new Open Day video, which can be viewed using the link below. Thank you to Mr Morrin (Community Links Coordinator) for putting this fantastic video together alongside Bayview Media. <https://vimeo.com/bayviewmedia/download/773437133/bc6217cfe5>

**P1-3 Christmas Show:** Our annual P1-3 Christmas show will take place on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December** at 10.00am. Tickets are available at the front office for £3.00. Numbers are limited to a maximum of 2 tickets can be bought for one show. <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/christmas-show-tickets-on-sale-in-school-office/>

**Christmas Dinners, Christmas Jumpers & Santa Visit** will be on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022**. It will be a non-uniform day when P1-7 pupils and staff will be asked to wear their Christmas jumper. Santa will meet P1/2/RR/SL pupils in hall and then visit P3 classrooms.

**Rewarding Pupils:** Awards for Reading, Maths and Attendance for term 1 on **Wed 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022**.  
**Accelerated Reading/FRECKLE Certificates:** Mr Connolly (AR Coordinator) and Mr Morrin (Maths Coordinator) will visit the P4-7 classes on **Mon 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022** to present certificates to the boys who are doing well in both AR and Freckle!

**Philosophy:** Jack is our Philosopher of the week for daring to think differently on using love and care to make unpleasant tasks easier - we used Mary Poppins 'A Spoon Full of Sugar.' to frame the discussion!

**Physical Education:** P6 classes will continue their **Gaelic/Hurling** sessions with Gaelfit's head coach, Oisín McVicker on Thursdays, while the School **Handball** Team have their handball training in the Ardoyne GAA Handball court. Thank you to the Ardoyne Kickhams for the use of their excellent facilities and for their support in helping to raise the standards of Gaelic Games in the school. HCB (under the tutelage of Mr Jennings) booked a place in the 2022 Cyril Murray Cup final and also progressed in the Belfast Schools Year 7 (9 a-side) with a 2-1 victory over Our Lady Queen of Peace P.S. HCB fell a goal behind but Aidan Green equalised before half time. A hard fought game was then settled in the last minute of the second half when Aidan Murphy popped up to score the winner to send us into the 3<sup>rd</sup> round. **Sonal Sports** will have the P4 & P5 on Thursday morning in the Community Centre: P4W R12:9.30-10.00am, P5C R15: 10.00-10.30am, P5W R14: 10.30-11.11am and P4M R13: 11-11.30am. **Swimming:** The Primary 7 classes will commence their 8-week programme in January 2023.

**Counselling Service:** With the support of Happy Healthy Minds, we offer a specialist counselling service for selected pupils, every week (individually and/or in small groups). A different class will also receive a session each week to highlight the importance of dealing with emotions and mental health strategies (4W R12 **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December**).

**Mental Health Awareness:** Sessions will continue for P6 & 7 pupils on **Thur 8<sup>th</sup> Dec** with specialist, Joe Watson.

**Extended Schools:** This is the last week for Block 2. Block 3 will start on week beginning **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023**.  
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**Accelerated Reader:** The P4-7 boys added an extra million words to the overall total in the last week and the new school total is now 13,536,453 words with P4: 783,392, P5: 2,730,417, P6: 2,480,815 and P7: 7,541,829. TOP Readers of the week: Haiden toner, Christopher Engelen, Ethan Maguire, Junior Mervyn Sharma, Oisín Moore, Ethan Rowles, Alfie O'Hare, Ruairi Devlin, Odhran McEvoy and Jack Murphy. Well done boys!

## Wellbeing Weekly

**Philosophy Question:** Are the mind and the brain the same thing?

**Weekly Challenge:** Find a space and listen to your favourite song.

**Motivational Quote:** Where so ever you go, go with all your hearty. Confucius

## Happy Birthday

- Rio Cooke-Faulkner
- Tomas Cosgrove
- Joseph Thompson
- Rio Lawlor
- & Jamie Burns.

## Upcoming EVENTS

**Trainer Tuesday:** Pupils can wear their trainers on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec for 50p

**Friday Tuckshop** will take place every Friday, continuing Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022.

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**Accelerated Reading/FRECKLE Certificates** (in classes) Mon 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022

**P1-3 Christmas Show:** £3.00 per ticket on sale now (Max of 2 per family) for Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec (Parents Day 1) & Thur 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: (Parents Day 2) in school hall.

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**Advent Penitential Service** on Tue 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022.

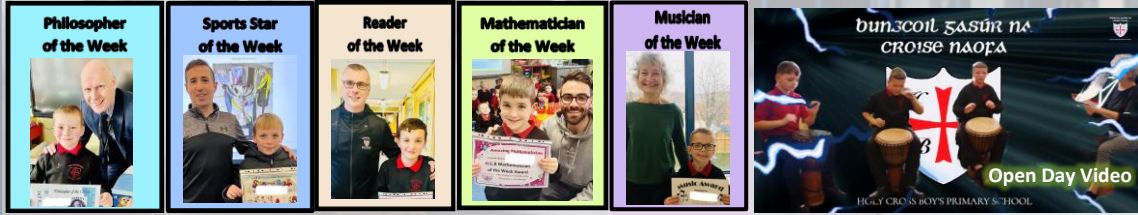
**Christmas Holidays:** Pupils will finish earlier on Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Dec and return for Term 2 on Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 at the normal times.

**Primary 7 Swimming:** Week Number 1 will start after Christmas at the Falls Leisure Centre.

**P7 Confirmation:** on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 at 11.00am

**The NSPCC PANTS programme** Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 22.

**First Holy Communion:** Sat 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 at 11am.



	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec
<b>Lunch Menu</b>	Spaghetti Bolognese Crusty Bread Tossed Salad Melon, Cheese & Crackers	Breaded Fish Goujons Sweetcorn Mashed Potatoes Flakemeal Biscuit & Fresh Fruit	Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice Nann Bread Garden Peas Chocolate Sponge & Custard	Roast Beef Traditional Stuffing, Gravy Cauliflower Cheese Fresh Diced Carrots Oven Dry Roast & Mashed Potato Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Breaded Chicken Bites Beans Chips Baked Potato Coleslaw Jelly, Ice Cream & Fresh Fruit

YEAR	START	Finish	Friday Finish
1	9.00	2.00	12.45
2	8.45	2.15	1.00
3	9.00	2.30	1.00
4	8.45	2.45	1.20
5	9.00	3.00	1.20
6	8.45	2.45	1.20
7	9.00	3.00	1.20

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