

# Nurturing Talent & Fulfilling Potential



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## H.C.B Term 1 Winners for Attendance, Reading and Numeracy

**Reading/AR:** P1: Adam Mooney & Sean O'Neill, P2: Fionn Wallace & Oisín Colohan, P3: Finn McConnell & Logan Russell, P4: Cain Duffy 4M Jake Mailey, P5: Corey McCaffrey & Odhrán Carter, P6: Michael John Nugent & Jack Coogan, P7: Jude Kelly & Theo Patterson, Rainbow Rm Eoghan Finnegan & Starlight Rm Thomas Boyle. **Numeracy/FRECKLE:** P1: Cruz Murphy & Aaron O'Neill, P2: Aodhan Catney & Connaoibh Delaney, P3: Daniel Foster & Ollie Maguire, P4: Cillian Gearon & Leo Dewar, P5: Eoin Montgomery & Ollie O'Neill, P6: Justin Osborne & Ryan Flood, P7: Ciaran McCallan & Aiden Green, RR: Edward Zi Hao & SL: Stephen Marley. **Attendance:** P1: Jay Smyth & Ray Gough, P2: Harrison Conlon & Liam Eagle, P3: Conan Donnelly & Lennon Lindsay, P4: Donal Lindsay & Caiden O'Hara, P5: Oisín Largey-Reid & Jay Dilucia, P6: Josh Lyttle & Daniel Murtagh, P7: Michael Morgan & Aodhan Sloan, RR: Callum McHugh & SL: Jacob McKenna.



**Solitude Winners:** Well done to the following boys who have been selected to go to Solitude on Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 23 for a coaching session on the pitch with our two current staff members, Tony Kane (Dundela FC) and Joe Gormley (Cliftonville FC). Selected pupils must wear suitable PE gear (tracksuit bottoms/top) and coats into school. 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: Thomas Boyle, Dáire Savage, Caleb Patterson, Noah McKerverey, Shea McCaul, Eamonn Burns, Rio Cooke-Faulkner & Jamie McGonnell. P5: Kieron Muldoon, Ethan Maguire, Ryan Reilly, Harley Finnegan, Michael Millen & Ciaran Gormley. P6: Tiernan Graham, Gavin Og McKeown, Jack McCabe, Sean Og Copeland, Jack Stewart & Junior Brady. P7: Jamie Burns, Michael Morgan, Tayo Keya, Aodhan Sloan, Pearse Maguire & Aidan Travers.

**Class Posters:** Many parents have requested a Class Poster and so we will have a 2<sup>nd</sup> order at the start of Feb 2023. Please ensure that your child brings in £5.00 to the class teacher on or before Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2023.

**Accelerated Reading/FRECKLE Certificates:** Accelerated Reading/FRECKLE Certificates: Mr Connolly (AR Coordinator) and Mr Morrín (Maths Coordinator) visited the P4-7 classes and presented certificates to the boys who are doing well in both AR and Freckle! <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/freckle-awards-term-1/> and <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/accelerated-reader-certificates-p4p7/?p=1&>.

**Physical Education:** Gaelic/Hurling sessions with Gaeilfit's head coach, Oisín McVicker on Thursdays will restart for Primary 7 classes on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023, while the School Handball Team will also restart their handball training in the Ardoyne GAA Handball court. Thank you to the Ardoyne Kichkams 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) will compete in the Cyril Murray Cup final in January 2023. **Swimming:** The Primary 7 classes will commence their 8-week programme on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 at the Falls Leisure Centre.

**Christmas Show:** Thank you to all our pupils, teachers and classroom assistants for ensuring an excellent Christmas show this year. We were delighted to have had all our parents, grandparents and family members back in the hall to watch it live, after a few years of not being able to come in to see it. The boys performed superbly well and the support from our parents (over the three shows) was once again outstanding. A special mention to Mrs Martin and Mrs Reel for their efforts and expertise. <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/hcb-christmas-show---the-countdown-to-christmas/> Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day and Sant Visit: <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/christmas-dinner-jumper-day-and-sant-visit/?p=1&>

**Extended Schools (Block 3)** will start on the week beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

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**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. This will restart on Tue 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 23 for (RR R7).

**Mental Health Awareness:** Sessions will continue for P6 & 7 pupils on Thur 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023 with specialist, Joe Watson.

## Wellbeing Weekly

**Philosophy Question:** Why is it important to wear a seatbelt or sit in a booster seat?

**Weekly Challenge:** Count how many times you can say; please, thank you and excuse me. Can you beat 20?

**Motivational Quote:** Life is a succession of lessons which must be lived to be understood. Helen Keller

## Happy Birthday

Cahn Ruben Bercea, Anthony Conlon, Cohan Rafferty, Tayo Keya, John Og Robinson Taylor, Conan Magee, Braden McAllister, Oisín Moore, James Waide, Mason-Jay Bradley, Solomon Cavaciu, Caolan Kelly-McAllister, James O'Neill, Cain Duffy, Mason McGrandles & Ronan McGrath.

## Upcoming EVENTS

**Trainer Tuesday:** Pupils can wear their trainers on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Jan for 50p

**Friday Tuckshop** will take place every Friday, continuing Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023.

**Service of Commitment & Light:** Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 23

**Primary 7 Swimming:** Week Number 1 will start on Fri 20 Jan 2023 at the Falls Leisure Centre.

**P7 Confirmation:** on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 @11am

**Punctuality Monitor 2:** Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> to Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023

**Parent Teacher Interviews:** Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023

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

**Rewarding Pupils:** Awards for Reading, Maths and Attendance for Mid-Term 2 on Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023.

**St. Patrick's Day Hols:** Pupils will finish early on Tue 14<sup>th</sup> and return on Mon 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

**Accelerated Reading/FRECKLE Certificates** (in classes) Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023.

**Rewarding Pupils:** Awards for Reading, Maths and Attendance for End Term 2 on Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023.

**Easter Holidays:** Pupils will finish early on Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023 and return on Mon 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

**First Holy Communion:** Sat 20<sup>th</sup> May,



| Lunch Menu | Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan | Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan    | Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan           | Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan   | Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan    |
|------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|            | Spaghetti Bolognese        | Breaded Fish Goujons            | Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice | Roast Beef                      | Breaded Chicken Bites          |
|            | Crusty Bread               | Sweetcorn                       | Nann Bread                               | Traditional Stuffing, Gravy     | Beans                          |
|            | Tossed Salad               | Mashed Potatoes                 | Garden Peas                              | Cauliflower Cheese              | Chips                          |
|            | Melon, Cheese & Crackers   | Flakemeal Biscuit & Fresh Fruit | Chocolate Sponge & Custard               | Fresh Diced Carrots             | Baked Potato                   |
|            |                            |                                 |  | Oven Dry Roast & Mashed Potato  | Coleslaw                       |
|            |                            |                                 |  | Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt | 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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