

Nurturing Talent & Fulfilling Potential



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H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners

1F: Cole Beale & Rossa Donnelly **1T:** Ray Gough & Jaymie Stitt **2Q:** Lorcan Lavery & Theo Hughes **2M:** Charlie McNally & Eoghan Harrison **3L:** Charlie McDonald & Zavion den Heijer **3M:** Ollie Maguire & Kaelann Gilvary **4W:** Calvin McGeough & James O'Neill **4M:** James Corr & Jake Rosborough Barnes **5M:** Reece Lagan & Darragh Whelan **5C:** Ethan Maguire & Ryan Reilly **6MJ:** Kai Lyttle McMurtry & Josh Lyttle **6H:** TJ Smith & Mason McGrandles **7M:** Aidan Murphy & Ethan Hall **7J:** Fionn Kavanagh & Pearse Maguire **Starlight:** Stephen Marley **Rainbow:** Callum McHugh

Solitude Winners: Well done to the following boys who were selected to go to Solitude on Friday 24th March 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 Rm/P4:** John Óg Robinson Taylor, Junior Lavery, Leyton Smyth, Christy Engelen, Patrick McManus, Jaxson Bittles, Jake Mailey, Leo Dewar, Conan McNeill & Jayden Rodgers Neill. **P5:** Jay Dilucia, Jay Taylor, Olly O'Neill, Piaras Watt, Noah McKeown, Sean McCrudden, Ethan Rowles & Darragh Whelan. **P6:** Riley Harper, Tiernan Scullion, Rhys Ewing, Aidan Kelly, M.J Nugent, M.J Bradley, Phoenix O'Sullivan & Joe Thompson.

Music Morning: Our Primary 7 boys had a wonderful morning at the Belfast School of Music on Wednesday alongside St. Michael's P.S, St. Oliver Plunkett P.S, Finaghy P.S and Blythefield P.S. The boys behaved and performed superbly under the guidance of Mr Johnston and our music specialist, Mrs Martin. Well done boys! <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/hcb-hit-the-right-note-at-music-morning/>

Ulster Orchestra Treat: Congratulations to Mrs Martin and her bassoon students, who were treated by the Ulster Orchestra bassoon players, Greg and Vahan, at the Waterfront Hall yesterday, as a reward for their progress to date. They were able to meet the players and hear the Ulster Orchestra rehearse for their concert yesterday evening – Worlds of Fantasy, featuring music from The Game of Thrones, Lord of the Rings, Halo Avengers and anime hits. Well done to the boys and Mrs Martin!

School Pollinator Project: With funding secured from the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Development (DAERA) to support our ongoing School Pollinator Project, we purchased wildflower seeds & plugs, shrubs and fruiting bushes. The boys are loving their work in the Nature Garden. Thank you to Lorraine (Caretaker) and Mr Johnston (Eco -Schools Coordinator) for their superb work. <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/school-pollinator-project-going-great/>

Philosopher of the week: 4 Philosophers of the Week who were outstanding at the EA Symposium Conference - we are so proud of these young men! **Hazelwood College** continue to deliver lessons for our P6 & 7 classes: P6 Spanish: Tuesdays 25th April, 9th, 16th & 23rd May @11.30am-12.15pm. P6 Home Economics on 31st March and 21st April @9.50am to 11.05am & P7 Home Economics: Fridays 28th April & 5th, 12th May @9.50-11.05am.

Physical Education: HCB football team, under the guidance of Mr Jennings will be eager to continue their unbeaten run in all school competitions this year, when they contest the Belfast Cup Under 11 final this week. They collected the Indoor 5-A-Side Belfast Competition in early March with victory over St Teresa's in the final, after securing the Cyril Murray Cup title back in February. They are now preparing for the final showdown with Orangefield Primary School at Anoviel Leisure Centre at 2.00pm this Wednesday 29th March for the treble. The Primary 6 team, also unbeaten, meet St. Peter's Primary School in the semi-final of the Belfast Cup in the coming weeks. <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/hcb-football-team-in-pursuit-of-the-treble/> Gaelic/Hurling sessions continue with Gaeilfit's head coach, Oisín McVicker on Thursdays. Year 7 will have their next session on Thursday 30th March 2023 while the School Handball Team will also have their handball training in the Ardoyne GAA Handball court. **Swimming:** The Primary 7 classes will have their next session on Friday 31st March 2023. **Sonal Sportz** continues in The Community Centre on Thursdays (P4- Mrs Mohan 9:30, Mr Wallace 10:00, P6 - Mr Jennings 10:30 & Mr Hawkins 11:00).

Mental Health Awareness: Sessions will continue for P6 & 7 pupils this Thursday 30th March 2023 with specialist, Joe Watson.

NEW Dinner Menu: https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetswd/684/docletter/20230313120835_41_HCB_Dinner_Menu_Update_March_2023.pdf

School Holidays 22/23 https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetswd/684/docletter/20230306105621_62_HCB_Holidays_2022-2023_for_Parents.pdf

Wellbeing Weekly

Philosophy Question: Is the music in the air or in your ears?
Weekly Challenge: Close your eyes, put on your headphones and listen to a song that you have never listened to before.
Motivational Quote: Without music, life would be a mistake. Friedrich

Happy Birthday

Jake Frame-Donaghy, Martin Lundy, Darragh Whelan, Noah Prenter, Jamie McGonnell, Theo Patterson & Ollie McGuire.

Upcoming EVENTS

Trainer Tuesday: Pupils can wear their trainers on Tuesday 28th March for 50p.
Friday Tuckshop will take place every Friday, continuing Friday 31st March 2023.
Primary 7 Swimming: Friday 31st March 2023 at the Falls Leisure Centre.
Accelerated Reading/FRECKLE Certificates (in classes) Thursday 29th Mar 2023.
Term 2 Awards for Reading, Maths and Attendance Term 2 Mon 3rd Apr 23.
Cullens Funfair will arrive on pitch 17th April, opens 21st April and closes 30th April and leaves pitch on Monday 1st May 2023.
Easter Holidays: Pupils finish early (RR, Starlight/ P1 finish @11.30am, P2, 4 and 6 finish @11.45am & P3, 5 and 7 finish @12.00pm) Thurs 6th & return Mon 17th Apr.
Careers Week: Mon 24th to Fri 28th Apr 2023
School Closures in May 2023: Mon 1st, Tue 2nd, Mon 8th, Mon 29th and Tue 30th May 23.
First Holy Communion: Sat 20th May@11am
Summer Holidays: P7 finish on Fri 23rd June & P1-6 finish on Fri 30th June 2023.



<p>Reader of the Week</p>	<p>Sports Star of the Week</p>	<p>Mathematician of the Week</p>	<p>Philosophers of the Week</p>	<p>Musicians of the Week</p>
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	Monday 27 th March	Tuesday 28 th March	Wednesday 29 th March	Thursday 30 th March	Friday 31 st March
Lunch Menu	Oven Baked Pork Sausages Chips Baked Beans Ice-Cream & Pears Chocolate Sauce	Oven Baked Breaded Fish Fingers Mashed Potatoes Tossed Salad & Coleslaw Jam and coconut Sponge & Custard	mild Chicken Curry Naan Bread Or Chicken gravy mash Steamed Rice Garden Peas Caramel Tart Fruit	Roast Gammon with Stuffing & Gravy Mash & Roast Potatoes Carrot & Turnip Strawberry Milkshake & Flake meal Biscuit	Pepperoni Pizza Slice Chips Spaghetti Hoops Iced Sponge with Sprinkles & Custard

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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