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H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners

4W: Daniel McCluskey & Fiachra McComb 4M: Anthony Teggart & ARISTOTLE Finn Murphy 5W: Jack Moss & Jaxson Bittles 5C: James Corr & Jake Mailey 6M: Manuel cirpaci & Pearse Strain

& Sean Murphy 7L: Christopher Moloney & Josh Lyttle 7H: Oisin Brennan & Mark McConne

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. Hollie Mailey 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: Thomas Boyle, Junior Lavery, Logan Russell, Reilly Cole, Conan Magee, Odhran McGibbon, Tiarnan Murphy, Gerard Frame, Caolan Doherty & Padraig Mallon. P5: Kai Baker, Conan McNeill, Haiden Toner, Aidan Toal, Giovanni Tchuda, Rafael Excano, Lewis Campbell & Alfie Hillick. P6: (At Swimming – Week 4). P7: Michael John Nugent, Muiz Ojo, Junior Brady Evans, Mason Jay Bradley, Faelan McGuckian, Oisin Brennan, Mason McGrandles & Tiernan Scullion. This group will go on Friday 3rd November.

veen Break from Thur 26th Oct to Wed 1st Nov (inclusive). Halloween Hooley will take place this Wed 25th Oct. There will be a prize for the best costume in each class. No dinners will be served and the pupils will finish earlier on 25th October at the following times: P1, RR & SL finish @11.30am, P2, 4 & 6 finish @11.45am & P3, 5

HCB Annual Bookfair: A huge thank you to all the boys and their parents for the amazing support this year, which brought in a record amount of £3500. Once again, the job of the judges for the bookmark competition was extremely challenging, as the standard was really high. Details of all the winners and photos to follow this week.

Poster Competition Winners for Mental Health Awareness: 10: Callum Magill 1T: Conan Anderson 2F: Thomas Lean 2M: Cillian Robinson 3Mc: Keaton Grogan 3Mo:

Fionn Wallace 4W: Logan Russell 4M: 5W: 5C: Connor Weatherall 6M: 6EJ: 7L: Oisin Steenson 7H: Alfie O'Hare Starlight: Daire Savage RR: James Engelen. Cliftonville legend Joe 'The Goal' fundraises for Cancer Lifeline: The staff of HCB were proud to support their colleague and Cliftonville legend Joe Gormley with his fundraising for Cancer Lifeline as part of his testimonial year. We wish you all the best Joe & if anybody else wishes to donate then please follow the link below https://www.justgiving.com/page/joe-gormley-1696795205187

elling Service: With the help of ES funding, we are now offering a specialist counselling service for selected pupils on Wednesdays.

Breakfast Club opens at 8:00am in the school canteen and costs of £1 per morning (includes cereal, toast and a drink). Wednesdays are always FREE for all pupils, and we give out Tuckshop and Breakfast Club vouchers every Wednesday.

Mindfulness and Aromatherapy: P7H R20 will have the first of their 3 sessions from Donna Hawkins on Wed 8th Nov 2023.

Philosophy: Cathal óg is our philosopher of the week for daring to think differently on What Makes Me a Me?

c. Singing Practice for P1-3 on Fridays @11.00 to 11.30am and P4-7 on Thursdays @11.10 to 11.40am. Classes & Peripatetic lessons on flute, violin, brass, cello &

Mental Health Awareness: The 4th session for P6 & 7 pupils will be on **Thursday 2nd November** with specialist, Joe Watson.

Physical Education: Swimming for Primary 6 (Week 6) takes place on Friday 3rd November 2023 at the Falls Leisure Centre and the focus for the first Physical Education theme for September/October is dance. Thanks to Oisin @gaelfit for our hurling training for P3 & 4. GaelFit coaching (6 weeks) continues Wed 8th November for P3 & 4 classes (Week 5) and Multisport Games at the Ardoyne Community Centre with Community Sports Network on Thursdays for 6J (10.10-10.30), 6M (10.30-11.00), 7H (11.00-11.30) and 7L (11.30-12.00). P5 classes will have Gaelfast lessons on Tuesdays 5W R14 @1.10-1.50pm and 5C R14 @1.50-2.30pm.

hool Teams: Well done to the HCB football team and coach. Mr Mullan, who continued their unbeaten run in all competitions this year when they defeated Cairnshill P.S 2-0 in the first round of the Cyril Murray Cup. After a scoreless draw, thanks to the brilliance of Bradain Kane (GK), the boys stepped it up in extra time with fantastic goals from Faelan McGuckian and Ronan Burns to advance

Sport Changes Life - Honour Roll Programme with Aaron at AYC. The programme will be 8 weeks based around the transition from Primary 7 to first year. The 5th of the

Extended Schools Block 1 (5 weeks) ended last week and Block 2/Week 1 will start on Week beginning Monday 6th to Friday 10th November and end on Week beginning Monday 4th to Friday 8th December 2023. Notes and reply slips will be sent home with the boys, detailing out extensive list of activities, including Sports (Multi-Sports, Soccer, Handball, Table tennis and Gaelic Football), Languages (Irish, French and Spanish) and Musical instruments (drums and guitar).

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Monday 23rd Oct

Tuesday 24th Oct

Wednesday 25th Oct

Thursday 26th Oct

Friday 27th Oct

Spaghetti Hoops Chips, Ice cream

Beef Meatballs with Italian Tomato & Basil Sauce, Garden Jelly And Fruit

Early Finish No Dinners

School Closed for Halloween

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Dinner Menu 2023-24 https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetsswd/684/docletter/20230831013823_74_Dinner_Menu_September_

Wellbeing Weekly

Philosophy Question: Are we free to do whatever we want?

Weekly Challenge: Have a nice

bubble bath.

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Motivational Quote: Positive anything is better than negative

thinking. A Elbert Hubbard.



Caolan McCaul, Leon Watson Neill, Brandon Fegan, Neil Murphy, Cruz Murphy, Patrick McManus, Jack Stitt, Jayden Rodgers Neill, Finnbarr Johnston, Sean McConnell-McAuley, Lewis Faulkner, & Ciaran Gormley.



Trainer Tuesday: Pupils can wear their trainers or Tuesdays for 50p, starting Tue 24 Oct.

Breakfast Club FREE entry on Wed 25 Oct for P2-7 pupils from 8am.

Tuckshop: will take place this TUESDAY 24th

Solitude Friday Visits on Friday 3rd Nov 23 Rewarding Pupils: Awards for Reading, Maths and Attendance at Mid-term will be given out tomorrow Monday 23rd October.

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TRIPS: 4W R12 on Mon 23 Oct and 4MR11 on Tue 24th Oct (WW2 Trip). Year 4 to Waterfront Hall (Ulster Orchestra) on Mon 27Nov.

NSPCC Speak Out/Stav Safe progran

6/11/23: KS1 & KS2 Virtual Assemblies & 20/11/23: P6 & P7 (60 min workshops for P6 (9.30am-10.30am) & P7 (11am-12pm).

P7H Relaxation and Therapy sessions with Donna Hawkins on Wed 8, Wed 15, & Fri 24 Nov. P7 Transfer Mock Day 1 Tue 7th Nov and Day 2 Tue 21st Nov 2023.

Anti-Bullying Week: Mon 13 to Fri 17

World Philosophy Day is on Thur 16th Nov 2023 (Focus on Aristotle).

for prospective P1 pupils in September 2024 on Tuesday 28th Nov 2023.

Christmas Holidays: Pupils will finish earlier on Thur 21st Dec and return for Term 2 on Mon 8th Jan 2024 at the normal times

Holy Communion on Fri 17 May 24 @11am.

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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
RR	8.45	2.00	12.30
SL	8.45	2.30	12.30

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