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H.C.B Reading, Numeracy and Attendance Winners at Midterm 1

1Q R2: Killian McClenaghan, Conal O'Hanlon & Bobby Mackin. **1T R3:** Jay Quigley, Shea McKee & Connolly Johnston. **2F R4:** Ethan Trainor, Mason Madden & Harley Rea McMullan. **2M R5:** Fionn Harrison, Jordan McClafferty & Jacob Cooke-Faulkner. **3Mc R10:** Liam Eagle, Lawrence McAfee & Ian Silva. **3Mo R13:** Fionn Wallace, Leighton Brady & Caolan Moore. **4W R12:** Shay Gilvary, Ollie Maguire & Conleth McGuinness. **4M R11:** Tiarnan Murphy, James Waide & Odhran Braniff. **5W R14:** Cain Duffy, Colm Oglavery & Cillian Gearon Maguire. **5C R15:** Ronan Gillespie, Jack Stitt 7 Rhys Mulhern Corrigan. **6M R19:** Oisín Moore, Sean Ferguson & Ryan Reilly. **6EJ R21:** Sean Murphy, Danny Og McDonald-Mullan & Oisín Largey Reid. **7L R18:** Mason Jay Bradley, Josh Lyttle & Muiz Ojo. **7H R20:** Aidan Kelly, Tiarnan Graham & Tyler O'Halloran. **RR:** Eoghan Finnegan, Edward Zhao & Sebastian Burns. **SR:** Conor Davey, Dylan Óg Kelly & Stephen Marley.

<https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/hcb-mid-term-1-winners-for-attendance-reading-and-numeracy/?p=1&tags=1081>

Solitude Winners: Well done to the following boys who were selected to go to Solitude for a coaching session on the pitch on **Friday 3rd November** with our two current staff members, Tony Kane 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). **P7:** Michael John Nugent, Muiz Ojo, Junior Brady Evans, Mason Jay Bradley, Faelan McGuckian, Oisín Brennan, Mason McGrandles & Tiarnan Scullion.

<https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/solitude-weekly-winners-a-a/>

HCB Annual Bookfair: Thank you to all parents, grandparents and family members who attended our Bookfair last week. We really appreciate your support and with the record breaking **£3700 raised**, we will be able to purchase much needed reading resources for the boys to use in school.

<https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/hcb-bookmark-competition-winners/?p=1&tags=1081>

Poster Competition Winners for Mental Health Awareness: 1Q: 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: Oisín Steenson 7H: Alfie O'Hare Starlight: Daire Savage RR: James Engelen. <https://www.holycrossboys.com/latest-news/news/hcb-celebrate-world-mental-health-day-with-donna-hawkins-ardoyne-shankill-health-partnership/?p=3&tags=1081>

Counselling Service: With the help of ES funding & , we are now offering a specialist counselling service for selected pupils on Mondays (Mental Health Movement) and on Wednesdays with Anne.

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: Philosopher of the week goes to Luca for daring to think differently about Good Luck, Bad Luck Who Knows!

Music: 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 & bassoon continue weekly.

Mental Health Awareness: The 4th session for P6 & 7 pupils will be on **Thursday 9th November** with specialist, Joe Watson.

Physical Education: Swimming for Primary 6 (Week 7) takes place on **Friday 10th November 2023** at the Falls Leisure Centre and the focus for the first Physical Education theme for September/October is dance. Thanks to Oisín @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.

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 next session of the 8-week programme is on tomorrow, **Monday 6th November** for P7L R18 and P7H R20.

Extended Schools Block 1 (5 weeks) ended last week and Block 2/Week 1 will start tomorrow, **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 & Gaelic Football), Languages (Irish, French and Spanish) and Musical instruments (drums and guitar).

School Holidays 23/24 https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetsswd/684/docletter/20230309120136_15_HCB_School_Holidays_for_Parents_2023-2024.pdf

HCB Healthy Eating Policy: https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetsswd/684/docletter/20220705104703_11_Healthy_Eating_Policy.pdf



Monday 6th Nov

Tuesday 7th Nov

Wednesday 8th Nov

Thursday 9th Nov

Friday 10th Nov

Fish Fingers,
Beans & Chips.
Jelly & Fruit.

Savory Mince,
Baton Carrots
& Mashed Potato.
Sponge & Custard.

Chicken Curry,
Naan Bread,
Sweetcorn &
Steamed Rice.
Ice Cream & Fruit

Roast of the Day,
Stuffing, Rich Gravy,
Carrots, Peas &
Mashed Potato/Oven
Roast Potato. Flake
meal Biscuit.

Hot Dog,
Sweetcorn &
Chips.
Frozen Yoghurt

Dinner Menu 2023-24 https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetsswd/684/docletter/20230831013823_74_Dinner_Menu_September_2023.pptx

Wellbeing Weekly

Philosophy Question: If you believe it to be true, is it?

Weekly Challenge: No screen time until after 6.00pm all this week.

Motivational Quote: The best way to predict the future is to create it.

Abraham Lincoln



Carter McIlvenna, Olagunju Ebunoluwa, Fiachra McComb, Colm Og Lavery, Giovanni Tchuda, Aidan Toal, Ronan Gillespie, Brooklyn O'Neill-Hale & Jack McCabe.

Upcoming EVENTS

Trainer Tuesday: Pupils can wear their trainers on **Tuesday 7th Nov** for 50p, starting.

Breakfast Club FREE entry on **Wed 8th Nov** for P2-7 pupils from 8am.

Tuckshop: will take place this **Friday 10th Nov**.

Solitude Friday Visits on **Friday 10th Nov**

Rewarding Pupils: Awards for Reading, Maths and Attendance at end of term 1 on **Monday 18th December 2023**.

TRIPS! Year 4 to Waterfront Hall (Ulster Orchestra) on **Mon 27 Nov**.

NSPCC Speak Out/Stay Safe programme: **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 & 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 13th to Fri 17th Nov**.

Industrial Action (UNISON): Early finish at 12.00noon for all pupils on **Thur 16th Nov 2023**

OPEN DAY for prospective P1 pupils in September 2024 on **Tuesday 28th Nov**.

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 17May 24@11am**.

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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