

Holy Cross Boys' Primary School



Pupils will return to school tomorrow Monday 21st February at the normal times.

Solitude Friday Visit: Well done to the following boys who were selected to go to Solitude before the Mid-term Break for a coaching session on the pitch with our two current staff members and local football stars 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. **P4:** Pearse McCrudden, Martin Lundy, Sean McCrudden, Junior Mervyn Sharma, Finnbar Johnston & Corey Doran. **P5:** Aidan Kelly, Barra Quinn, Jayden Reid, Jack Murphy, Phoenix O'Sullivan & Christopher Gormley. **P6:** Kaiden McLaughlin, Jack Murphy, Jayden O'Shea, Aodhan Ewing, Oisín Hamilton & Callum Russell. **P7:** Ethan Cunningham, Caolan McKeown, Liam Crawford, Juniyo Keya, Finn McNally & Luke Quinn.

Mid-term Attendance Winners: **RR:** Jacob McKenna & Caleb Robinson **1B:** Jack Maguire & Lorcan Cahill **1M:** Cillian Doherty & Fintan Waide **P2F:** Leo Cosgrove & James Lennon Wallace **2J:** Jacob Campbell & Zavion Den Heijer **P3M:** Cain Duffy & Tomas Cosgrove **3L:** Conan McNeill & Conor Moyna **P4L:** Shay Braniff & Alex Cameron **4W:** Michael Burns & Mason Engelen **5J:** Daniel Murtagh & Cain Whelan **5W:** Logan Magill & Tiernan Graham **P6C:** Riley McNally & Stephen Murtagh **6M:** Ciaran Moyna & Ethan Hall **7H:** Stefan Frederick & Kailum Murphy **7B:** Sean Linden & Mark McKinney.

Mid-term Reading Winners: **RR:** John Og Robinson Taylor & Ivan Aldoshun **1B:** Maddex Neill & Eoghan Harrison **1M:** Odhran McGranaghan & Roan McFarlane Whelan **2F:** James Braniff & Caelan Murphy **2J:** Odhran Braniff & Jude Butler **3M:** Jayden Davey & Noah McKervy **3L:** Conlon Foster & Eamonn Burns **4L:** Leo Murray & Jay Taylor **4W:** Oisín Largey Reid & Sean McConnell McAuley **5J:** Alfie O'Hare & Christopher Moloney **P5W:** Riley Harper & Christopher Stitt **6C:** Ryan Owens & Callum Russell **6M:** Aidan Murphy & Jude Kelly **7H:** Jake Bowers & Conor Quinn **7B:** Connor McAllister & Ruari Larkin.

Philosophy: Mr McAreevy continues to deliver thought provoking Philosophy Enquiries. Last time, our P3 boys were philosophising on the theme of racism and discussed the question, 'Is it ok to judge someone if you know nothing about them?' Ethan picked up our Philosopher of the Week award!

Religious Events/Dates: Well done to our Primary 7 pupils who had their Service of Commitment and Light before the mid-term break on the 8th Feb in Holy Cross Church (pics below). Thank you to their teachers (Mr Hawkins and Mrs Brooks), Classroom Assistants (Tony, Steven and Maria) and to Mr Wallace (RE Coordinator) and our Music specialist, Mrs Martin for all their work in organising this. A special mention to our School Chaplain, Brian McKee for a lovely service. The P7 boys will now look forward to making the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thur 10th for P7H R20 & Friday 11th March for P7B R21 (in Holy Cross Church 11.00am). Ash Wednesday Service (P4-7) will take place on 2nd Mar @11.00am.

Parent/Teacher Interviews: These interviews/phonecalls were scheduled to take place prior to the Mid-term Break but unfortunately some of the teachers were unable to make contact with some of the parents. Teachers will provide these particular parents with a new time for the phonecall in the coming days. It is essential that these conversations take place so that parents are informed of their child's progress relating to academic and pastoral matters.

Music: Drums and Violin lessons continue on Wednesdays and Brass lessons continue on Thursdays for selected pupils.

Mental Health Awareness for Primary 6 and 7 pupils will be on Thursday 23rd February 2022 with Joe Watson.

Reminder: Year 8 post-primary applications: The online EA Post-Primary Application portal will close at 4pm on Thursday 23rd February 2022 for Year 8 post-primary applications. A promotional video for parents informing them of the online application process and outlining key messages is available. Video link <https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions/admissions-videos-and-guidance>

PE: Gaelfast Hurling/Gaelic Football Coaching for P5J R8, P5W R9 and P6M R18 will continue on Tuesdays and also for P4W R12, P4L R13 & P7H R20 on Wednesdays. Many thanks to Ardoyne Youth Club for the use of their facilities each week. **Boxing** sessions with the Irish Athletic boxing Association (IABA) will take place for P5J R8, P5W R9 and P6M R18 on Wednesdays and P7H R20, P7B R21 & P6C R19 on Fridays.



Odhran Fegan

Reece Lagan

Aodhan McCaul

Kieran-James Foster

Ryland Perry

Rhys Reilly

Aodhan Ewing Holland

Taylor McIlvenna

Diary Dates

***P7 Transition Week:** Mon 28th Feb to Thur 3rd March 2022 (inclusive).

***Ash Wednesday Service** (P4-7) 2nd Mar 11am

***St. Patrick's Holidays:** Pupils have early finish on Tue 15th and return on Mon 21st March 22.

***Confirmation:** P7H R20 Thur 10th & P7B R21 Fri 11th Mar 22 (in Holy Cross Church 11.00am)

***P4 First Confession** (2 classes) Tue 5th April at 11.00am in school.

***P3 First Confession** (2 classes) Thursday 7th April at 11.00am in school.

***P1-7 Reading Prizes** (End Term 2): 12 Apr

***P1-7 Attendance Prizes** (End Term 2): 13 April

***Easter Holidays:** Pupil finish Thur 14th & return on Mon 25th Apr 22.

Wellbeing Weekly

Philosophy Question: When you have a toothache, is the pain in your mouth or in your brain?

Weekly Challenge: Put on a blindfold and draw your favourite object.

Motivational Quote: Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself. **George Bernard Shaw**

Philosopher of the Week



Musican of the Week



Reader of the Week



Mathematician of the Week



Week 4



Breast of Chicken Curry
Boiled Rice
Naan Bread
Garden Peas



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Irish Stew
Broccoli Florets
Wheaten Bread

Roast Breast of Chicken
Oven Roast Potatoes
Mashed Potato
Baton Carrots
Diced Turnip
Herb Stuffing & Gravy

Spaghetti Bolognese
Crusty Baguette
Tossed Salad

Fishfingers
Chips
Crunchy Coleslaw
Sweetcorn



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YEAR	START Times	Finish Times	Friday Finishing Times
1	9.15	2.00	12.45
2	8.45	2.15	1.00
3	9.00	2.30	1.00
4	8.45	2.45	1.15
5	9.00	3.00	1.15
6	8.45	2.45	1.15
7	9.00	3.00	1.15

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