

Monday 11th April 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Dinner Menu for this week:



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Week 3

Savoury Mince & Onion
Mashed Potato
Baton Carrots
Broccoli Florets

Chocolate Sponge & Custard

Breast of Chicken Curry
Boiled Rice
Naan Bread
Sweetcorn
Yoghurt & Pineapple

Breaded Cod Fish Fingers
Mashed Potato
Baked Beans
Swiss Roll & Custard

No Dinners will be served this Thursday 14th April 2022. Pupils can bring in a break of choice and will have an early finish (P1-3 @11.45am and P4-7 @12.00noon).

- **Easter Holidays:** Pupils will finish early this Thursday 14th April (P1-3 @11.45am and P4-7 @12.00noon) for their Easter Holidays. There will be no dinners served on Thursday but the boys can bring in a break of choice. The pupils will return on Monday 25th April 2022 at the normal times.
- **First Confession:** Well done to our P3 and P4 classes who made their First Confession last week. The boys were a credit to the school and their parents. Thank you to the class teachers and classroom assistants as well as Mr Wallace (RE Coordinator), Mrs Martin (Music Specialist) and Brian McKee (School Chaplain) for ensuring that the boys were prepared meticulously for this special occasion. Thanks to Fr John and Fr Gareth for celebrating the sacrament with the boys.

- **Families First Education Awards:** We were delighted that HCB picked up the Best Belfast School and Best School overall (Joint with St. Kevin's PS) at the annual Families First Education Awards held at the Titanic Building on Saturday. Thank you to our wonderful parents for voting and leaving your fantastic comments. These awards are a testament to HCB being a community school and recognition of the hard work ethic from our staff, pupils, parents and Board of Governors.

- **Letter from Uachtarán na hEireann - Michael D. Higgins:** Mr McArey was honoured when the President of Ireland sent him a personal letter to congratulate him on promoting philosophy and on the Award Winning Documentary, Young Plato (Please see attached letter below).
- **Cullens Funfair** will open on the School Pitch on Friday 29th April and finish on Sunday 8th May 2022.
- **Reminder:** There is a Punctuality Monitor planned for the week we return after Easter from Monday 25th to Friday 29th April. **P1:** The New Start Time for Primary 1 on Monday 25th April will be 9.00am.
- Next Weekly Bulletin will be sent out on Sunday 24th April 2022.

Thanks for your continued support.

Mr Mc Arevey Mr Curran
(Principal) (Vice Principal)





UACHTARÁN NA hÉIREANN
PRESIDENT OF IRELAND

14 March 2022

Mr. Kevin McAreavey
Principal
Holy Cross Boy's School
Butler Walk
Belfast BT14 7NY

Dear Kevin,

I was very pleased to read that Young Plato, the documentary about your work promoting philosophy in Holy Cross Boy's school, had won the ICCL Human Rights on Film Award 2022 at the recent Dublin International Film Festival. I would like to congratulate you and the documentary makers for the excellent work that you have done in highlighting philosophy as a cornerstone of education and personal development. As you know, I have long been a champion of this approach and it is wonderful to see these ideas and ideals being promoted to a wide audience.

I was much impressed when I first heard about your work, when you kindly invited me to visit the school in 2019. Although it was not possible to visit at that time, I hope that I will have the opportunity to see your work at first hand at some point in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Michael D. Higgins
Uachtarán na hÉireann
President of Ireland

Without philosophy that touches us
we are not on the same
species of creature.
I never thought
I'd write such
a letter.
Sra. Mairéad
Higgins