

## HOLY NAME CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

### NEWSLETTER: OCTOBER 2016

Please be advised that all school documentation is available in different formats, on request.

#### NON UNIFORM FOR HARVEST FESTIVAL – FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER

Children can wear their own clothes for school next Friday. In return we ask for donations of non perishable (in date) groceries which will be given to a local charity/food bank. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

#### YEAR 2 AND YEAR 6 BOOSTERS

It is vital that children attend these classes after school if parental permission has been given. Although all children have been given permission to attend, some pupils are choosing which ones they want to attend and which they do not want to go to. We therefore ask that you ensure your child attends every session on Tuesday and Thursdays.

#### CAREERS CAROUSEL

In partnership with COMPACT, the school held a careers' carousel for the children in Year 6. This was a very enjoyable and productive day for the children, where they had the opportunity to talk to employers from a range of fourteen different companies. Especially enjoyable for everyone involved was the cakes and cookies provided by a bakery. Thank you to Mr Doyle for organising the event.

#### COLOMENDY RESIDENTIAL FOR YEAR 6

Year 6 children will be going to Colomendy on Sunday 30 October until Friday 4 November. We are sure they will have a fantastic time. We have never known anyone to come back and say they did not enjoy the experience. If anyone has any outstanding payments due, please send the money in as soon as possible.

#### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to everyone who attended the coffee morning and to everyone who purchased cakes when they were sold outside. The total amount sent to the Macmillan charity was £494.86.

#### SPONSORED MILE RUN FOR WOODLANDS HOSPICE

As usual, this annual event was a great success. Thank you to Mr Morris for organising it. Up to now, we have collected £1015 and money is still coming in. We should be grateful if you could send in any money still due by Friday 21 October so we can organise a cheque to be sent to the hospice. Thank you once again, for your generosity.

#### PARENTS' EVENING = WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER

We will continue to use the Appointments System as the overall majority of people have said it works well. Please tick and return the letter as soon as possible so we can allocate time slots.

#### READING EGGS

Mr Doyle has given children their new username and password for Reading Eggs. Please note that this online resource is very useful and valuable. If your child has access to the internet, please encourage them to use it because it will help to improve their reading skills.

#### SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN

The school nurse drop in will be held after half term on Tuesday 1 November between 9.00 am and 9.30 am. If you have any concerns regarding your child's health, please do not hesitate to come and talk to the nurse. Any meetings will be confidential. Please come to the school office if you are interested and you will be directed to the nurse.

### **SENDCo DROP IN**

Our school Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-ordinator (SENDCo), Mrs Smith, will be holding a monthly drop in for parents/carers to come in and discuss any concerns they have about their child's progress or development. These meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month between 9.00 am until 10.00 am. Please come to the main office where you will be directed to Mrs Smith. The first drop in will be held on Monday 7 November.

### **LINKS WITH ST JOHN BOSCO ARTS COLLEGE**

Mrs Burns has linked up with teachers from St John Bosco (SJB) to arrange a calendar of events for some pupils in Year 6 for Maths and English and Years 3 – 6 for Dance and Science.

### **ATTENDANCE**

We need to reach 97% Attendance or it will go against us in an Inspection. Please try to keep our attendance up by only letting your child stay off school if they are really ill and need to be at home.

### **MARRIAGE & FAMILY SUPPORT TEAM (Archdiocese)**

This is offered by Jackie Brougham who can be contacted on  
Tel: 0789 179 5145 or by Email: [jackiebrougham@btinternet.com](mailto:jackiebrougham@btinternet.com).

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

17.10.16 – Young Mayor Elections at Town Hall  
21.10.16 – Harvest Festival = NON UNIFORM DAY – bring a non-perishable grocery item  
21.10.16 – Finish for half term at 3.00 pm  
30.10.16 – Year 6 to Colomendy  
31.10.16 - Hinduism Week  
31.10.16 – Reception Stay and Play 9.15 am  
1.11.16 – School Nurse Drop In at 9.00 am – 9.30 am  
8.11.16 – School Health Flu injections for Years 1, 2 and 3  
8.11.16 – Year 5 Compact am  
9.11.16 – Year 6 Compact am  
9.11.16 - Parents' Evening  
14.11.16 – Anti Bullying Week  
15/16/17.11.16 – School health Reception screenings (am)  
18.11.16 – Children in Need = NON UNIFORM DAY – 50p per pupil for CIN Charity  
21.11.16 – Road Safety Week  
25.11.16 – Non Uniform for Christmas Fayre  
30.11.16 – Action for Children Concert at Anglican Cathedral – 7.00 pm  
30.11.16 – Christmas Fairies