

HOLY NAME CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER: NOVEMBER 2016

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

STAFFING

We are pleased to announce that Mrs Hurst will return from maternity leave on Monday 21 November. Ms Smith will be staying with us until Friday 16 December to ensure a smooth handover and to cover classes when teachers go on courses.

COLOMENDY RESIDENTIAL FOR YEAR 6

As usual, the Year 6 residential to Colomendy was a great success. Everyone had a fantastic time and once again, the teachers received glowing comments from the staff at Colomendy about our children's behaviour. We are very proud of our children.

SPONSORED MILE RUN FOR WOODLANDS HOSPICE

The annual event was a great success again. Thank you to Mr Morris for organising it. A representative from the Woodlands Hospice came to school to collect a cheque for £1545.30. She talked to the children about the importance of raising money because the Hospice does not receive any funding so relies totally on charitable donations. She thanked the children for their efforts and generosity. Well done, everyone and thank you for your continued support in these events.

CHILDREN IN NEED – FRIDAY 18 NOVEMBER

We will be holding a non uniform day to raise money for Children in Need. We ask that children bring in 50p for the charity. We have also been given some pens and key rings to sell. The pens are £1 each and the key rings are £1.50.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS/CONFESSIONS (RECONCILIATION)

Children in Year 4 will be making their first confession (reconciliation) at Holy Name Church on Tuesday 29 November at 6.30 pm OR Wednesday 30 November at 3.30 pm. There will be two First Holy Communion Masses on 17 and 24 June 2017 at 10.30 am. The First Holy Communion Registration Mass will be held on Sunday 27 November at 11.00 am.

THE WHITECHAPEL CENTRE – HOMELESS CENTRE

Representatives from the Whitechapel Centre will be coming into school on Monday 28 November to talk to the children about the work they do. The Whitechapel Centre is the leading homeless and housing charity for the Liverpool region. They work with people who are sleeping rough, living in hostels or struggling to manage their accommodation. They are committed to helping people find and maintain a home and learn the life skills essential for independent living. We believe it is important for children to realise the struggles that some people have to face on a daily basis.

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES WITH PARENTS/CARERS AFTERNOON – FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER

Parents/carers are invited into school to work with their children in the classroom on Christmas activities from 1.30 pm. Please be prepared to go home covered in glitter, paint or glue!

CAROL SINGING AT LIVERPOOL ONE – SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER

The choir have been asked to take part in carol singing at Liverpool One on Saturday 3 December at 2.00 pm. Why not come and join us?

YEAR 5 DEBATING COMPETITION – THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER

Six children from Year 5 have been chosen to enter a debating competition at Archbishop Beck High School. They will be taken by minibus to and from the school and be accompanied by a member of staff. We all wish them good luck.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE AND GROTTTO

School will be holding a Christmas Fayre on Friday 9 December. The grotto will be open on this day and on Tuesday 13 December for younger children not in our school should they wish to visit Santa. We will sell tickets for this event. Further details will follow.

YEAR 2 AND YEAR 6 BOOSTERS

It is vital that children attend these classes after school if parental permission has been given. Please ensure your child attends every session on Mondays (KS1) and Tuesdays and Thursdays (KS2).

SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN

The next school nurse drop in will be held on Tuesday 6 December 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 her next drop in session for parents/carers to come in and discuss any concerns they have about their child's progress or development on Monday 5 December between 9.00 am until 10.00 am. Please come to the main office where you will be directed to Mrs Smith.

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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 14.11.16 – Anti Bullying Week
- 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 day for Christmas Fayre – details to follow
- 27.11.16 – First Sunday of Advent
- 28.11.16 – Edible Playgrounds
- 30.11.16 – Action for Children Concert at Anglican Cathedral – 7.00 pm
- 1.12.16 – Non uniform day for Christmas Fayre – details to follow
- 2.12.16 – Christmas Activity with parents/carers afternoon
- 5.12.16 – Mad Scientists' Assembly
- 6.12.16 – School Nurse Drop In between 9.00 am and 9.30 am
- 6.12.16 – Reception Stay and Play (9.00 am)
- 6.12.16 – Feast of St Nicholas (he may pay a visit to school)
- 7.12.16 – Pantomime visit – further details to follow
- 8.12.16 – Choir to Neuro for Blessing of the Crib
- 8.12.16 – Fairtrade Christmas Bingo for pupils (pm)
- 8.12.16 – Parish Golden Celebration Mass at Holy Name Church 7.30 pm (Choir will be performing)
- 9.12.16 – Christmas Fayre pm
- 13.12.16 – Nativity Play at 6.00 pm
- 14.12.16 – Children's Christmas Dinner
- 14.12.16 – Nativity Play at 2.00 pm
- 15.12.16 – Christmas Disco – 3.00 – 4.30 pm (infants), 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm (juniors) – details to follow
- 16.12.16 – Non uniform day – Christmas jumper/top – bring in £1 for Save the Children Fund
- 16.12.16 – Pop Charts Project
- 16.12.16 – UK Military School passing Out Parade for Year 5 – further details to follow
- 16.12.16 – Dummy Fairy to visit Nursery
- 20.12.16 – Carol Service at Holy Name at 2.00 pm
- 21.12.16 – Non uniform day – 50p for school fund
- 21.12.16 – Finish for Christmas at 1.15 pm