



ST PATRICK'S NEWS

Friday 10th January 2014



Welcome back! Best wishes for a happy and successful 2014!

The new year brings a sense of hope and optimism and it is important that even when things seem difficult we remain optimistic, especially with our children.

KEEPING THE MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS IN OUR HEARTS

is very important. Last Sunday we had a beautiful **Epiphany service** at Our Lady Help of Christians to celebrate the visit of the wise men to the baby Jesus.



The children said Happy Christmas in the different languages spoken by our families, sang hymns and remembered that Jesus came for all of us all over the world.

It was wonderful to see so many families who are parishoners as well as those who are not. Many thanks to the parents who changed their routines and made a special effort to come.

Thanks also to Father Tom and the parish for hosting us.

Class Teacher Meetings

Please see over for details of the meetings which will be held over the next two weeks.

Open ICT Session

for Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2 parents on Tues 14th Jan at 9am. The focus of the session will be using Fronter to support your children's learning.

CHOIR, CLUBS, ASSEMBLY

MONDAY Homework Club 3.30 - 4.45 Yrs 5 & 6

Sports Club Yrs 3 & 4

TUESDAY PRAYER GROUP 9am

WEDNESDAY Girls Sports Club Yrs 5&6

THURSDAY ANDY'S FOOTBALL until 4.45 pm

FRIDAY Assembly - Poetry

Homework Club

3.30- 4.45 Yrs 3 & 4

Running Club until 4.45pm

Sports Club Yrs 1 & 2

Sports Clubs

All after school sports restart next week. Please see separate letter regarding places in Sports Club which will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Building Work

Before Christmas we notified you that due to works being carried out to the hostel at 41 Holmes Road scaffolding will be erected in the Nursery and KS1 playgrounds. This has been delayed due to the bad weather but it will go up in the next week or two. Both the Diocese and the School are determined that disruption to the normal life of the school will be kept to a minimum.

Bad Weather

As parents are aware, should there be snow we do not close the school and children should be brought to school as normal.

If, due to any unforeseen circumstances, we do need to close parents will be informed as early as possible via text message.

The Police have requested that parents do not park across their green gates on Holmes Road as they are in constant use.

Class Teacher Meetings

In the next two weeks, we will have Class Teacher meetings. Parents will have the chance to hear from each class teacher about the topics and the learning which the children will be studying this term.

It is very important that one person from the families of each of the children in the class attends the meeting.

For children to make progress, they need to be encouraged at school and at home. We take the lead in providing the learning. That's our job. Come along to your child's class meeting and find out how you can support us to help your child!

The meeting for Nursery will be on
Tuesday 14th January at 9am

Please inform us if for any reason you will not be able to attend.

Bi Lingual Volunteers Wanted

We are going to start some occasional lunchtime clubs for children who have languages other than English spoke at home. So if you speak another language (Spanish, Portuguese, Mandarin, Tigrinya, Amharic, French, Lingala, Polish etc....) and could help out occasionally, please contact Mr Cranitch.

Uniform

Please ensure that all uniform is labelled with your child's name and that coats have hooks to hang coats that are not broken.

If children wear wellingtons / boots to school please ensure that they have school shoes to change in to.