



Holy Rosary Primary School

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Dates for Your Diary

- Thursday 21st December -School closes for Christmas holidays at 12pm **no dinners or after-schools**. Non-Uniform Day.
- Thursday 21st December – Remembrance Service in Good Shepherd Church at 7.30pm
- Monday 8th January – School re-opens for Term II

Christmas Bazaar

Thank-you for your very generous support for our recent Christmas Bazaar. The Bazaar raised over **£1,500** which will go towards the HSA's fundraising targets for this year. A special thank-you to all the local businesses and organisations listed below who donated prizes for the raffle.

The Learning Tree, Michel's Fresh Fruit and Veg, Tesco, Dunnes Stores, Co-op, Grainne Timlin, Boots the Chemist at Forestside, Cowzers Pharmacy, Oriol Pharmacy, Harlow and Gold, Riah, Beauty by Danielle, Aurora Centre Bangor, Belfast Giants - SSE Arena, Ozone, Titanic Visitor's Centre, We are Vertigo, W5, Queens PEC, Movie House Cinemas, Pavilion, Errigle Inn, Macau Restaurant, McCulloughs, Nicos, Kaffe O, Bread & Banjo, Truly Fare, Sunray Home Bakery, Root and Branch, Paul McAtamney, Tartine – Distillers Arms, Cutting Edge, Nicky Clarke Frizz, Streaks Ahead, Sainsburys, Mace, Tesco, Corries Butchers, Ormeau Pharmacy, Molton Brown, The Parador, The Hatfield, L'Etoile du Nord, The First Floor Bistro, Shed, Yarn Café, Soul Food Café, Al Gelato, Graffitti, Thai Licious, Hungry Hound, Pizza Hut, Bredagh GAA Club.

Thank-You

We would like to say a big thank-you to all those parents who helped us out by sending in costumes for the P1-2 Nativity play and the P3-4 Concert. Thank-you also to everyone who helped us to support the Saint Vincent de Paul Society by buying tickets for these events. Our school community were so generous last week and we were able to deliver over 200kg of donated food to the South Belfast Food Bank.

*Just a reminder that any photos taken by family and friends at school events should not be posted online.

TRULY FARE CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS

December: Monday 18th **CLOSED**, Tuesday 19th 10am - 5pm, WEDNESDAY 20th - FRIDAY 29th **CLOSED**
Saturday 30th 10am - 5pm, **January:** Tuesday 2nd 10am - 5pm

New Basketball Nets

The new permanent fixed Basketball and Netball nets have now been installed in our playground. A big thank-you to Aidan McManus and Miss Monahan who have worked so hard to ensure this happened.



After-Schools Clubs

Term 1 P4 Literacy and Numeracy clubs

This Term over 100 Primary 4 children have attended Literacy and Numeracy after school classes for a period of 6 weeks. The children had a great time taking part in Literacy and Numeracy games, interactive activities and challenges using a wide range of resources to develop their skills and receive valuable support in key areas of Literacy and Numeracy.

Term 1 P5 Literacy and Numeracy classes 2018

Next up is the P5 classes which will begin in January, (notes will be given out after the Christmas holidays to all pupils) followed by the P6 classes in March.

Term 1 Jumping Clay

Jumping Clay this term ran for Primary 2 pupils for a total of 8 weeks with 15 pupils attending weekly. Next up it is the turn of Primary 1 pupils who will start Jumping Clay in January - notes will be given out after the Christmas holidays.

Term 1 Dance

Dance this term ran for Primary 3 pupils for a total of 8 weeks with 15 pupils attending weekly. The pupils had the chance to develop their skills through the guidance of coach Jade. The next session of Dance to start will be in January for P3 pupils - notes will be given out after the Christmas holidays.

Gaelic after school

Well done to the 50 P4-P7 boys and girls who have enjoyed taking part in after school Gaelic on a weekly basis with Miss Murray and Mr Sinclair. Despite the bad weather there has been excellent attendance on a weekly basis and we look forward to seeing this continue when Gaelic re-starts in January. It is great to see the skills of our young Gaels developing on a weekly basis and we are delighted to see that both our boys' and girls' teams have been doing very well this year.

Girls Gaelic

Well done to our Girls Gaelic team who took part in the Cumann na Bunscol Indoor 5-aside tournament on Thursday 14th December. Up against strong opposition, the girls lost one and drew two of their matches but played really well in all 3 games and were unlucky not to get a win. The girls represented the school impeccably and would surely have won all four games if points counted (due to indoor it was goals only!). **Next up for the girls is the Cumann na Bunscol Championship in February.**

Boys Gaelic

Well done to the Boys Gaelic team for their excellent display in the Cumann na mBunscol indoor tournament on Wednesday 6th December. The boys played some fantastic football at times and defended well as a team, winning the first game, showing great character to come from behind twice to draw in their second and third games before narrowly losing the last game. Overall it was another positive development opportunity for the boys who are coming on leaps and bounds this year. Their coach Mr Sinclair was delighted with the outstanding attitude and skill shown by the team. Next up for the boys is the Cumann na Bunscol Championship in February.

Choir

The choir recently visited Haypark, Annadale and Greenvale Nursing Homes. A big thank-you to the children who sang and played their instruments beautifully and to Miss McGurk for organising this.

Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas!



Reminders

For all the latest school news follow us on twitter @holysaryps
Remember no nuts or food made in an environment where nuts are present should be brought into school. Many thanks.

