## HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2013

#### **EVENTS IN FEBRUARY**

7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY- INTERNET SAFETY TRAINING FOR PARENTS- 9.15-10.30 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY- SERVICE OF LIGHT- 11.00 IN CHURCH. 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRARY-KS1 ASSEMBLY P3JS 18<sup>TH,</sup> 19<sup>TH</sup> AND 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY-MID TERM BREAK 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY- FIRST PENANCE ENROLMENT 10.45 IN CHURCH.

### **PASSPORT FORMS**

Mrs Armstrong and Mrs Boyd are happy to complete passport forms but they can only do so if the forms are signed by both parents in their presence.

#### LATENESS AND ABSENTEEISM

Parents are reminded that school starts at 9.00 for P1-P3 pupils and 9.15 for P4-P7 children. It is essential that children are in school on time as a child coming into class once lessons have started are often upset, are trying to catch up on the rest of the class, have missed valuable lessons etc. Parents are asked to ensure their children are in school each day. If your child is ill please contact the office or send in a note on their return to school. The Education Welfare Officer carefully monitors attendance and once attendance falls below 85% she will become involved. Research has shown that children who miss a lot of time in primary school are disadvantaged for the rest of their school life as they have gaps in their learning. School finishes at 2.00 for P1-P3 pupils (2.45 if they attend the after school club) and 2.45 for KS2

children. If your child attends a club it will finish at 3.30 sharp (apart from Gaelic). It is essential that your child is collected from school on time.

Frequently parents are collecting their children from school too early. It is a requirement by law that a child completes their statutory quota of time in class. Parents who frequently remove their child early from class will be contacted by Mrs Armstrong.

# NAMES ON PERSONAL BELONGINGS

Can we ask parents to please ensure that they write their child's name on their belongings- in particular coats, jumpers, ties, lunch boxes etc. Particularly after lunch and after school there is frequently confusion over who owns which coat etc. Thank you

### Holy Trinity Girls capture the Allianz Cumann na mBunscol A League trophy!

Congratulations to the Holy Trinity Girls Football team who won the Girls A League for the first time. The Holy Trinity girls have been extremely successful over the last year, winning the Belfast Indoor 5s tournament, the All County 5s and then adding the Girls Championship to their haul in June. The league trophy however, was the only one to have eluded themuntil now! The girls squad, which includes children from Primary 4 to 7 negotiated their way through some difficult league fixtures against St Anne's, St Kieran's, Bunscoil an Phobal Feirste and St Patrick's Holywood, emerging unbeaten to finally and deservedly claim the league trophy for the first time! Well done girls

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### **CAMOGIE SUCCESS**

The Girls Camogie team beat St Kevin's and St Brides on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January in the indoor 5 side tournament. It was a tough competition but the girls refused to give up. This meant Holy Trinity went through to the final on the Friday. The girls played against Holy Child and St Michaels and were pitted to the post coming second in the tournament. An absolutely brilliant achievement. Well done girls!!

### SAFER INTERNET DAY TUESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY.

Safer Internet Day (SID) is organized by Insafe in February of each year to promote safer and more responsible use of online technology and mobile phones, especially amongst children and young people across the **world**. Safer Internet Day 2013 will be the tenth edition of the event, and will take place on Tuesday 5 February 2013. The theme for the day is 'Online rights and responsibilities.' Teachers in Holy Trinity will be discussing internet safety with all our year groups. We also use

www.thinkuknow.co.uk to promote online safety. (The link is on our school website Homepage) Please look at the 5-7 section and the 8-10 section relevant for your child. There are some lovely wee animated films, games and quizzes to get the message across

For more information on SID please go to:

http://www.saferinternetday. org/web/guest;jsessionid=38F CE1CE9AB5D79653F4F2E467A BC78B

# STARS OF THE MONTH FOR JANUARY



Eva Cusack	Sophie Magee
Filip Hofman	Chloe Marley
Clodagh Mc	Ciaran Keely
Erlean	
Tiarnan Gaskin	Sophie Mc
	Donald
Michaela Tierney	Rhianna Murphy
Kieran Stewart	Ethan Mc Cusker
Chloe Fullerton	Erinn Nolan
Lee Davis	Stephen Henry
	Lundy
Taylor O	Amiee O Brien
Loughlin	
Shauna Mc Shane	Curtis Mc Ilroy
Harry Costelloe	Caitlin Mc Cabe
Billy Mc Corry	Megan Mc Crea
Jamie Lea Walsh	Alisha Wisdom
Lara Dahunsi	Lauren Mc
	Farlane
Joshua Reid	Chelsea O Neill

#### **REMINDER**

If there is a heavy snowfall or icy conditions please listen to the local radio stations, check BBC Teletext and check the school website to see if the school is closed.



Congratulations to staff and pupils on the fantastic transfer results.

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