



PARENT NEWSLETTER

May 2015



Important Dates

Communion – Saturday 16th May at 11:00 am in Holy Trinity Church.

Sports Days

P1 – Tuesday 19th May 9:45 – 10:45

P2 - Tuesday 19th May 11:00 – 12:00

P3– Wednesday 20th May 9:45 – 10:45

P4– Wednesday 20th May 11:00 – 12:00

P5 – Thursday 21st May 10:15 – 11:15

P6 - Thursday 21st May 11:15 – 12:15

P7 - Thursday 21st May 1:30 – 2:30

In the event of adverse weather conditions the reserve dates will be Tuesday 2nd June to Thursday 4th June.

P7 Leavers' Mass

Tuesday 23rd June – 1:30 pm

Mid-Term Break – The school will be closed for the week beginning Monday 25th May; reopening on Monday 1st June.

Sacrament of Communion

On Saturday 16th May our Primary Four pupils will celebrate their First Holy Communion. This is an important landmark in their young lives and they have been working very hard preparing for this ceremony. We wish them a happy and holy day and welcome their families and friends to help them celebrate this special occasion.

Minister for Education Visit

As you are aware Holy Trinity has again been awarded the prestigious 'ICT Mark' by the National Association of Advisers for Computers in Education (NAACE) for the second time. We are delighted to announce that Minister for Education, Mr John O'Dowd, will be visiting the school to present the award on Wednesday 3rd June.

Soccer Tournament

Our Primary 6 pupils took part in a 5-a-side tournament, hosted by Rosario Youth Club on the Ormeau Road. They played a series of matches against teams from Holy Rosary Primary School and Springhill Primary School. Holy Trinity emerged victorious in all their games and at the end were presented with the Patsy Owens and Eamonn Gilmore Memorial Cup. Top goal scorer and joint player of the tournament went to Zoe Mulholland from P6CH.

Holy Trinity was represented by: Zoe Mulholland, Joseph Doran, Emmett Mc Cabe, Ryan Glenholmes, Rian Brown, Lee Davis, Kielan Boyce and Cormac O'Reilly.

Cross Country

Holy Trinity Cross Country Running teams took part in the annual Belfast School Cross Country Event in association with Belfast City Council. The West Belfast heat took place in Falls Park. Eight other schools took part in the West Belfast heat including St Teresa's, St Oliver Plunkett, Bunscoil an Sleibhe Duibh, Holy Child, Gaelscoil Na Bhfal, St John the Baptist and Bunscoil Phobal Feirste.



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In the boys' race a strong Holy Trinity team took 1st place overall with three individual places in the top 10 going to Ryan Mc Menamin, Conor Scannell and Kyle Mc Greevy.

The girls' team finished in 3rd place overall against a strong field. We again clinched individual honours with Georgia Murray finishing in the top ten. Both teams represented their school excellently. Well done to all our runners this year. The Girls' Team was represented by: Aoife Mc Phillips, Niamh Maxwell, Emma Mc Conway, Rachel Kerr, Niamh Murtagh, Ellie Burns, Georgia Murray and Fiona Mc Comb. The Boys' Team was represented by: Conor Scannell, Ryan Mc Menamin, Stephen Bradley, James Lundy, Conal Keenan, Kyle Mc Greevy and Garric Mac Adhaimh.

Key Stage One Assembly

The Key Stage One Assembly was presented by Mrs Devlin's and Mrs Gallagher's P1 classes. The theme of the assembly was 'Friendship and Caring' and was based on a story the pupils enjoy called Farmer Duck. The narrators told the story while a group of children acted it out. They sang songs and said prayers about helping out and caring for each other and for our families. After the assembly Mrs Boyd presented the awards for Star of the Month. The award winners were: Matthew McGoldrick, Bobby Curran, Roise Kennedy, Katie Brammell, Megan Mc Kinney, Darragh Butler, Aaliyah McCrory, Niall Boyle, Kealan Smyth, Podraig Thompson, Sean McCabe, Aoife Murtagh, Gerard Devine, Liam Walsh, Seamus McAllister, James Kelly, Odhran Kearney, Sé Adams and Adam O'Neill. Well done to them all.

Key Stage 2 Assembly

On Thursday 30th April Mr Hackett's Primary 6 class performed their assembly. This assembly celebrated May as being the month in which we celebrate Mary. The pupils reminded us all of how we should cherish and respect our own mothers and the assembly finished with a photo roll of pupils and teachers with their mothers. After the assembly Mrs Boyd presented the awards for Star of the Month. The award winners were: Joseph Curley, Bernadette Irwin, Renise McHugh Baggley, Joshua Lavery, Libby Milligan, Declan Curran, Ciaran Dempsey, Eva Akinsehinde, Naomi Campbell, Samuel O'Hara, Leah Fisher, Domhnall Sheridan, Caomhin Fryers and Odhran Braham. Congratulations to these pupils!

Sunshine Class

The Sunshine Group and Mrs Mc Greevy's class went to 'Pets at Home' to investigate more about rabbits, lizards and guinea pigs. The friendly staff let the children pet a rabbit and a lizard. The Sunshine Group bought three goldfish, one has been named Nemo and the pupils have yet to name the two other additions to the room.

Monthly Mass

On Tuesday the pupils from P4 to P7 participated in their monthly mass. Fr Smyth celebrated the mass, while the pupils sang hymns. Fr Smyth spoke to the children about the changing seasons and the link with the Church seasons. Father Smyth spoke to the children about spring and new beginnings. It proved to be a joyful occasion and all of the pupils were



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extremely reverent. A number of Primary 5 pupils read during the mass, these children were: Grace Tolan, Bethany Lockhart, Renise McHugh Baggle, Daniel Armstrong, Stacey Davidson, Calum McCool, Aine Moran, Matthew Kerr, Sophie Dickinson and Jayne Burns Fegan. Two of our pupils also sang solo during the mass, these children were: Megan Muir and Georgia Murray.

Queen's University Campus Trip

The Primary 7 pupils have been participating in Queen's University's "Professor Fluffy" project which aims to inspire children to fulfil their potential. The project involved two stages, stage one was a School Visit by a member of the 'Widening Participation Team' who visited each of the classes involved to introduce the concept and new vocabulary of Higher Education. The pupils learned about students, lectures and university life and this helped to set the scene for stage two. Stage two was the campus visit where all the children in Primary 7 had the opportunity to have a tour of the campus and sample a few of the highlights experienced by Queen's University students. During the visit the children saw the Galileo statue, visited the C.S. Lewis reading room, sat in the Senate room, walked through the Quad, met "Eco" the bronze statue and got to walk through the "Great Hall". The children had a fantastic time and have been invited to take part in Celebration Day on Saturday 13th of June.

Right of the Month

Article 16

We have the right to personal space and privacy.

Rights Respecting Behaviour

We can respect each other's rights by considering other people's belongings and comfort. We remember to ask before we borrow things that do not belong to us and use our manners.

Hurling and Camogie News

Hurling and Camogie training continues every Thursday from 2:45 to 3:45. We are indebted to Gort na Mona who have been supplying four coaches to provide expert coaching advice to the pupils.

Training Times for Gort na Mona

Under 8 and Under 10 Hurling training sessions take place every Thursday on the grass pitch from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. If you require any further information please get your get in contact with any of the coaching officers within the club on:

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