

ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing 14th October 2019

The Big Me Day

On Thursday 24th October 2019, all children are invited to dress up as someone who inspires them or someone who they would like to be.

Please do not feel the need to go to any great expense for a costume. Often, the homemade costumes are the best! We cannot wait to see all of your wonderful ideas and who inspires you.



Birthday Cakes

Unfortunately, too much teaching time is being effected by staff having to cut and wrap birthday cakes. Therefore, if your child wishes to bring cake into school on their birthday, please ensure that the cake is pre cut and the pieces are wrapped individually. Alternatively, your child may wish to bring in cupcakes or donuts. Thank you for your cooperation.



Exciting Events

Last week was action packed with exciting events.

All of the junior classes were invited to attend an assembly based on Internet Safety, presented by Google and Parent Zone.

The assembly was a great success and we hope all junior children enjoyed the event and learned a lot from it.

As a special treat from the School Attendance Team, all children were able to watch an amazing Jungle Book Pantomime which was held in the school hall.

This special treat was given to the children due to school achieving its best attendance in 20 years, last year (2018/2019). Well done and thank you to all families who have made this achievement possible.



Be Internet Legends.

Parent App

All parents/carers should now have received a text message invitation for the NEW Parent App. The app has a number of useful features, such as: access to term dates, after school clubs, upcoming events and much more! School are also able to directly message parents on the new app rather than sending a text. Please download the app as soon as possible to ensure you do not miss out. The first class whose parents/carers have all downloaded the app will receive a certificate and special treat. Parents/carers who have downloaded the app will also be entered into an exciting prize draw.



Breakfast Club Volunteers

We would like to say a huge thank you to the parents/carers who have volunteered at our breakfast club recently. We sincerely appreciate your help! We are still looking for more volunteers as the number of children attending breakfast club is rising. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the school office.

ATTENDANCE

Above 97%	96% - 97%	Under 96%
Exceeding Target	On Target	Below Target
Class	Graded	%
Nursery		85.9
Reception		96.7
Class 1		97.9
Class 2		98.8
Class 3		97
Class 4		94.8
Class 5		97.4
Class 6		93.3
WHOLE SCHOOL		96.5

Winners

The award for the best class goes to Class 2 with an amazing 98.8%.

WELL DONE to all children and parents/carers!!



This Weeks Maths Challenge

My favourite show starts at 6.45pm. It is 55 minutes long. What time does it finish?



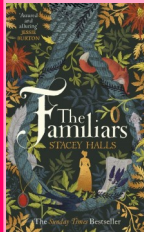
Recommended Reads

The Perfect Sofa by Fifi Kuo
Panda and Penguin go shopping for a new sofa. But there are so many to choose from and they are either too big, too small, too hard, too squishy and even too colourful. Will they ever find the perfect one? This book is super fun and perfect for reading aloud.



The Familiars by Stacey Halls

Strikingly evoking the heartland of seventeenth-century industrial Lancashire, Stacey Halls' accomplished debut is a haunting novel of two women struggling to fight against the expectation and superstition of their age. Told with an infectious passion for the period, Halls' blend of compelling plot and vividly drawn landscape crafts an unforgettable story of bewitching power.



Weekly Attendance Information

Well done to all children who are still in the running to be invited to the Mystery Movie Event, which will take place during the first week back after the half term. There are only 9 more school days to go for the initiative, so let's work together and achieve the best attendance possible!

Good luck.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

TUESDAY	WORSHIP WARRIORS	YEAR 3/4/5	3:15—4:15
TUESDAY	FOOTBALL	YEAR 5/6	3:15—4:15
WEDNESDAY	CHOIR	YEAR 3/4/5/6	3:15—4:00
WEDNESDAY	GYMNASTICS	YEAR 3/4/5/6	3:15—4:15
THURSDAY	MULTI SPORTS	YEAR 3/4/5/6	3:15—4:15
THURSDAY	ART CLUB	YEAR 5/6	3:15-4:15



IMPORTANT DATES



THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2019	THE BIG ME DAY
THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2019	CHILDREN BREAK FOR OCTOBER HALF TERM
FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2019	INSET DAY
MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2019	CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL