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Thanks Carina!

After more than 22 years of dedicated service to the families and staff in Holy Cross School, our beloved school secretary, Carina, is going to retire over the summer months. Carina has been at the heart of everything in Holy Cross School throughout her time here, supporting staff, students and families with kindness, efficiency, patience, warmth and good cheer. It is impossible to sum up in one small paragraph what Carina means to us all in Holy Cross but more than her incredible professionalism, experience and skillset, we will miss her most as a person. We will of course be marking this special milestone for Carina later in the year and will share more info closer to the time. The work of Holy Cross School continues and so we will also be advertising the school secretary position in the coming weeks on educationposts.ie.



For now, on behalf of all of the students, families, staff members and Boards of Management that Carina has worked alongside, I would like to offer our heartfelt thanks for all that you have contributed to Holy Cross School!

Reminder that the school will be closed for pupils on Wednesday of this week (21st) to facilitate staff training.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Huge congratulations to our First Holy Communicants! More on the next page!



First Holy Communion

On behalf of us all here in Holy Cross School, we wanted to say a huge CONGRATULATIONS to all of our Rang 2 pupils in Mr. Jackson's class who celebrated their First Holy Communion on Saturday last in Holy Cross Church. The children have been working so hard with their parents, the sacramental team in the parish and Mr. Jackson in preparation. All that hard work certainly paid off and the children were fantastic as they and their families enjoyed a lovely ceremony led by Fr. Paul. There is no doubt that they made their families and their school very proud!



GAA this week



We have received great news that both our Senior Boys Hurling Team and Senior Girls Camogie Team have progressed to the next round of their respective competitions.

The fixtures are due to be played this week however with the school closure on Wednesday of this week and Santry Athletics taking place on Thursday, there are some logistical headaches to consider! Mr. Fitz and Mr. Jackson are on the case and communicating with our opposing schools to work out a solution. Both matches will take place next week with further details in next week's Nuachtlitir.

Santry Athletics 2025

As mentioned above, it is also a busy week on the athletics front for our Rang 5 and Rang 6 students who will be competing on Thursday in Morton Stadium in Santry. The teams will travel by bus to the games and return to the school for collection afterwards at roughly 2:45pm. We wish all taking part the very best of luck - Holy Cross Abú!

Lionel Munn Primary Schools Golf



Congratulations to two of our Rang 5 pupils, Adam and Ben, who represented our school so well in the Lionel Munn primary schools golf tournament last Friday afternoon in Kilmashogue Golf Club. The boys battled well throughout and came in third when the scores had been counted - a remarkable achievement in only our second time entering the competition.

Parents Association Uniform Sale



On Friday 13th June, our Parents Association will be holding a second hand uniform sale in the school. This is a great opportunity to pick up some items that will come in useful for the remainder of the year or, more likely, next year. If any family has some pre-loved uniform items in good condition they can be dropped into the office at any stage. If possible, please remove any name tags or labels before dropping them in!

Openings in the Friday Chess Club



Chess teacher Alex has informed us that there are a small number of places available for Friday chess for the remainder of the school year. Please use the following link if you would like to register your child.

<https://forms.gle/f3XVcBUom78egnD88>



Summer Camps in Holy Cross

This Summer there will be the following camps running in Holy Cross. You can sign up for the various camps by following the below links. If you need further information on any of the summer camps, please get in contact with the organisers rather than contacting the office.

Holy Cross Art and Sport Camp

Open to current Holy Cross pupils

When: June 30th to July 4th 10am to 2pm.

Cost: €90 per child, €170 for 2 children, €250 for 3 children

To book, please use the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeA_aIX-QRzAKOxE6PVRLcPKxZdRnv64hyPOXISPaCUFaEKlg/viewform?usp=header

Stretch n Grow Summer Camp

Open to Montessori to Senior Infant aged children (3-6yrs)

When: July 7-11th. 10am-1pm

Cost: €120.

To book, use the following link: <https://stretchngrow.ie/camps/>

Multi Activity Camp (Drama, Art, Football, Sports and Games)

Open to incoming Junior infants to 6th class children

When: July 14th-18th, 10am to 2pm. Free early drop off from 9.30

Cost: €90/€170 for two.

To book call or text Sandra O Hanlon 087 3318948 or email

dundrumcamp@gmail.com

Dance Summer Camp

Join us for Dance, Fun, Sport and lots of activities for age 4+ (no dance experience required)

When: 21st - 25th July 10.00 am - 2.30 pm

Cost: €120 per dancer (€20 booking deposit per dancer required to guarantee place). 10% sibling discount available. Day Rate €25. Places are restricted. Please email to register your interest

dohertykendrickbutleracademy@gmail.com

Student Council - TALENT SHOW

The Student Council is planning a Talent Show for the end of June for the children in the school. The aim of this Talent Show is to give children the opportunity to show off a special talent in a fun and positive setting. The focus will very much be on the event being a **SHOW** and not a **COMPETITION**. The main show will take place on Thursday, 19th June during school hours. Children from 3rd - 6th class can enter.

Because of time constraints, only 4 acts per class will get to perform for the main show. Auditions will be held by the Student Council and will take place the week before.

Acts can include 1 - 4 people and they should be no longer than 4 minutes long.

The days for the auditions are:

6th class: 9th June

5th class: 10th June

4th class: 11th June

3rd class: 12th June



We look forward to witnessing the wide variety of talents that the Holy Cross children possess!