18th September 2018

WELL DONE

Congratulations to: Freya (P2K) – trophy for most improved on the bars in gymnastics; and Mikey (P4K/B) – big trophy for winning the Summer Cup 2018 with Shankill Juniors Football team. Well done to everyone!

SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT

The School Fund account is used for a variety of purposes, including purchasing additional books/resources, repairing iPads, paying for transport for events, supplementing entrance fees/transport/workshops for school trips, purchasing lunchtime resources etc. We are very grateful for your help with this and would ask that all contributions are sent to school by Friday 28th September.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

We are required to produce a new School Development Plan every 3 years and part of this process involves an input from our parents. Please complete a special online Parents' Survey by using the following link from your computer, phone or other electronic device:

https://sdp.wholeschool.ie/cavehillps_1010831/questionnaire/68e309f5-0a76-475b-8621-047bcf9265f4

The *One Time* password to access this survey is: **cavehill2018**

Closing date: **28 Sept 2018. (It will not be possible to submit a response after this date.)**

We really ask that you take a few minutes to complete this survey as the results will enable us to factor your views into our planning for the next few years. This is the first time that we are trying to use a new online means of gathering parents' responses and we are unfortunately unable to offer a paper version of this survey, as the results have to be entered electronically in order for this software to analyse results. **Only one response per family is required.**

SACRAMENTAL PROGRESSION

Holy Family Parish has requested that we ask parents to contact the Parish Office on 90743119, if your child is in P3, P4 or P7 and wishing to make their First Communion, First Holy Communion or Confirmation in 2019.

P1 FULL DAY

Please note that our P1 pupils will be staying for the full day from Tuesday 2nd October.

WELCOME
We are pleased to welcome Mr McKeever to Cavehill as our new temporary Building Supervisor.

SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING
Please note that school will be closed for staff training on Monday 1st October.

ULSTER SCHOOL SWIMMING GALA
The Ulster Schools swimming gala will be hosted by Swim Ulster at the Aurora Complex in Bangor on 20th October 2018. Cavehill PS is interested in entering a team. The events to be swum are 50m backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle, and 100m individual medley. Swimmers can swim a maximum of two events, and must have been born before 1/9/2010. If your child has experience of competitive swimming and would be interested in taking part, please contact the School Office by Friday 21st September.

MARKETING FROM OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS
There are a number of leaflets from outside organisations in a display stand in the entrance hall. Please feel free to take any of these that are of interest to you.

PTA
At the PTA AGM, Meghan Hoyt was elected as Chair and Jill Wharry was elected as Secretary.

Please note that the PTA has a Facebook page (Cavehill Primary School Parent Teacher Association) which provides details for parents on up-coming events and other relevant information.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING GRANDPARENTS' DAY
This year the PTA MacMillan Coffee Morning and Grandparents' Day will be held on **Friday 28th September**. Doors open at 9.15 am and the event will finish at 10.30am, with **classroom visits from 9.45 -10.20am**.
While the focus is on welcoming grandparents to the school, this is a community event and any relative is welcome to join us for coffee. If you cannot attend, but would like to donate to MacMillan, please leave donations in an envelope at the office.

We would appreciate any donations of buns/tray bakes etc. to help with this event and ask that they are left on the table in the foyer on Thursday 27th September.