

# May 2016 Newsletter

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### Dear Parent/Guardian

It is time once again to let you know what is happening in our busy school!

#### Disco

Thanks to all who attended and were able to support our first ever school disco. The excitement and atmosphere was electric. Thank you to our brilliant DJs Gerry C and Darren who entertained us with their dance tunes.

The children were so well behaved and the whole event was a roaring success. We raised a total of £402.83 which will go towards the cost of marking out the school hall for team games.

### Lost Jewellery

An item of jewellery was found in the school library following the Non-uniform Day at Easter. This silver piece of jewellery is still sitting here to be reclaimed. Please contact me if it belongs to your child.

# Whole School Sport's Day-1<sup>st</sup> June (weather permitting)

Races begin at 9.30 am

Tuck shop will be available

Lunch for all pupils- 12.30 pm

All pupils home after lunch- 1.00pm

All families and friends welcome to join us. Please come along and enjoy what should be a fun day for everyone.

Please note in the interest of safety and safeguarding, your child will remain with their class and under the supervision of the class teacher for the duration of the races.

If the weather is too wet or has been wet before the 1st we will not go ahead.

We will keep you informed.

### Reminder-May/June Holidays

- We are closed on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May and return to school on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May.
- > School closes on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon for the Summer holidays.

### First Communion Arrangements-Saturday 28th May at 11.30am

All children and parents should be seated in the chapel by 11.15am. Children are not allowed any accessories with them during the mass so if your child has a bag, prayer book or gloves etc you will need to hold onto these until the end of mass. The children will be well prepared and know exactly where they are sitting and what they have to do.

### **Group Photo**

When mass is over the children will proceed out by the back of the chapel where Miss Kerr will organise a class group photo on the steps. This will mean a slight delay in the congregation getting out unless you use the side exit. We will put this photo up on our website for you to access. This photo will be weather permitting so hopefully the sun will shine!

### Refreshments

The staff in the school will provide refreshments in the parish hall following the ceremony. Please come along and enjoy the hospitality. I would like to thank the staff in advance for their time and efforts in organising this annual tradition. It is another example of their generosity, commitment and dedication. Enjoy your day boys and girls!!

### So what's happening and when?

### P1,P2 & P3 trip to Waterside Theatre

The Curious Adventures of Pinocchio-cost of trip is £3 Tuesday  $24^{th}$  May 2016-10.00 am-11.45 am

### First Communion

28<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am-refreshments afterwards in Parish Hall

### Annual Mary's Day

 $31^{\rm st}$  May 2016 starting with a Coffee Morning/Cake Sale at 10.00 am Followed by Mary's Day Service at 11.00 am

### Annual Sport's Day

Whole school and playgroup

Wednesday 1st June weather permitting-9.30am-1pm

### Sport's Day Prize-giving

Thursday 16th June at 1.30pm-all welcome to join us

### P7 Trip to Carrowmena Activity Centre

8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> June

#### Annual Reports to Parents

13<sup>th</sup> June 2016

### Mary's Day

This is an annual event in school and one which I am really looking forward to. The children who have made their First Communion will come to school dressed in their special outfits.

# The arrangements will remain the same as in previous years.

- Coffee Morning & Cake Sale will take place in the school hall at 10.00 am. Please tell family and friends to come along. Proceeds will go to school funds with a donation going to a local charity that attended the school last week. This charity is called 'Something Special' and helps young adults with learning disabilities.
- Mary's Day Celebration will take place in the inner courtyard at 11.00 am.

# Please send in all donations of buns etc for the Cake Sale to Miss Kerr by Friday $27^{th}$ May.

Flowers for Mary's Altar can be sent on the morning of  $31^{\text{st}}$  May.

We hope to see you all there.

### Free School Meals for 2016-2017

The application process for assessment of eligibility to the above entitlements has commenced. Even if you have received Free School Meals this year, you must re-apply to:

Meals & Uniform Section

### **Education Authority**

1 Hospital Road

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### <u>Please Note:</u>

Until the school has received notification of your successful application you will not be entitled to Free School Meals and will be asked to pay for school dinners or to bring a packed lunch.

I would urge you to apply immediately if you are or think you might be eligible.

## Holidays September 2016/17

All dates are inclusive

### TERM 1

30<sup>th</sup> September

### Halloween Holidays

27<sup>th</sup> October-1<sup>st</sup> November Pupils return to school on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016

28th November 2016

### Christmas Holidays

23<sup>rd</sup> December 2016-4<sup>th</sup> January 2017 Pupils return to school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017

### TERM 2

### Half-term

13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> February

Pupils return to school on Monday 20th February 2017

### St Patrick's

16<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Pupils return to school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017

### Easter Holidays

14<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> April 2016

Pupils return to school on Monday 24th April 2017

### TERM 3

## <u>May Day</u>

1<sup>st</sup> May 2017

26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Pupils return to school on Wednesday 31st May 2017

# School finishes on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 12 noon

## <u>Sponsors for our Sport's Day Trophies and</u> <u>Shields</u>

Thank you to the businesses who have already pledged their support to help us with the awards for the children. Mrs. Mc Guckin will contact you to make further arrangements for this. If anyone else would like to support us please contact myself or Mrs Mc Guckin. Thank you once again.

Thank you

Mrs. Bacheta