



St. Mary's Newsletter

April 2021

Dear Parents

We would like to thank you for your most generous contribution of £455.00 towards Trocaire especially in the current climate.

We are continuing to maintain all our class bubble arrangements and follow the protocols the school has put in place as a response to Covid 19.

Our remote learning packages of IXL, Accelerated Reader, and BIG CAT Collins continue to be in place for the children to avail of.

Please ensure all uniforms are labelled with your child's name and remind the children to bring water in their water bottles and a healthy snack/lunch.

We hope you all enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend.

Mrs McAlinden

Reminder:

School Closed Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th May - Bank Holiday

Monday 31st May – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2nd June – Staff Development Day

Important dates for the weeks ahead are:

First Communion – Primary 4 – Saturday 8th May at 3:00pm –St Mary's Church Derrytrasna

School Photographer - Thursday 20th May

Primary one applicants can check the online Citizen Portal from 28th April 2021



Congratulations to:

Our Primary 7 Children who made their Confirmation on 19th April in St Mary's Church

Our Primary 4 Children who made their First Confession on Wednesday 28th April.

Thank you to Rev.Fr Fitzpatrick, Rev. Fr Maginn, Deacon Juan and everyone involved.

We thank the FOSM for providing the treats and mementos to our Primary 7 to help make the occasion so memorable and a word of thanks to Mr Terry Mulholland for sponsoring the chips.

From our return after Easter, we have been enjoying a number of programmes with funding secured by our school partners. We thank them for supporting our children.



On Tuesdays - Relax Kids through zoom. This 5-week program is possible through funding provided by South Lough Neagh Regeneration Association.

Healthy Kidz coaches are helping to keep all our children fit. Our P.E days have moved to Tuesday and Thursday.

Lurgan Cricket Club are providing coaching for 5 weeks to P6/7 on Wednesday afternoons.

The Formative Years

Parentline NI is running FREE sessions on how parents can support their children through their formative years

Session 1: Sleep

Parentline NI is delighted to have Susan Wallace from Settled Petals deliver this session for parents. The session will explore some gentle ways to support positive sleep in young children.

When: Monday 10th May
Time: 10am - 11am, via Zoom
For more information or to book a place call free 0808 8020 400

Coming soon -
Session 2: Toileting
Session 3: Fussy Eaters
Session 4: Managing Transitions

Facebook.com/parentlineni

LET'S ALL KEEP OUR SCHOOL SAFE

We need your help! We want everyone to be safe, healthy and enjoy school. So, make sure you follow these new rules...

IF YOU ARE SICK YOU MIGHT HAVE TO STAY AT HOME
Going to school is really important but if you have a bad cough or feel very warm, tell a grown-up right away.

GIVE EACH OTHER SPACE
Keep a safe distance from your teachers and friends as much as you can. You should try to stay in your bubble.

CATCH YOUR COUGHS & SNEEZES
Cover your face with your elbow or use a tissue. Don't forget to put used tissues in the bin!

WASH YOUR HANDS
Wash your hands lots of times, during the day. Make sure you wash them as soon as you get to school too!

HOLD ONTO YOUR OWN ITEMS
You shouldn't share things like pencils, food and drinks with your friends.

IT'S OK TO HAVE QUESTIONS! YOU CAN ALWAYS ASK A PARENT, CARER OR TEACHER.

EDUCATION RESTART
WE ALL MUST GET TO GET THROUGH IT!

Many thanks to you all for your continued support.

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