



November 2017

THANKS

A huge thanks for your support at a number of events in recent weeks.

Firstly, thanks to everyone who were able to join us at the Fancy Dress Parade. The children's costumes were amazing, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the presentation by each class. Such an event wouldn't happen without the dedication and support provided by all the teachers and classroom assistants. Many thanks to all.

Thanks to everyone who supported our recent Book Fair. A magnificent £1070.10 was raised which enables us to buy books for our school. Well done to our Primary 7 pupils who managed and run the fair so efficiently.

PLANNING AHEAD

Please note the following dates:

- **Wednesday 22nd Nov:** Special Assembly led by Father Moore
- **Friday 24th Nov:** P6 & P7 pupils to Holy Trinity College for Christmas Show "Sister Act"
- **Wednesday 29th Nov:** P1 Parent Teacher Interviews
- **Thursday 30th Nov:** Closed at 1.00pm Parent Teacher Interviews
- **Tuesday 19th Dec:** Christmas Carol Service
- **Thursday 21st Dec:** School Closed at 11.00am— Christmas Holidays

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

P2-P7 Parent Teacher meetings will take place on Thursday 30th November in the school hall from 1.30pm—5.00pm. Please call into school at your convenience. School will finish at 1.00pm for our pupils with school meals and bus transport provided.

P1 Parent Teacher Meetings will take place on Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th November. Miss Carberry will provide parents with a separate letter regarding dates and times.

SCHOOL MEALS

Parents are asked to note the importance of keeping up to date with dinner money payment. We do appreciate that all accounts are regularly settled. This ensures that significant arrears do not build up. The Education Authority are being much more pro-active in managing arrears and are putting pressure on us to ensure all accounts are up-to-date. If you have any arrears outstanding, please contact Emma, otherwise we have been advised to forward your name to the Legal Department in the Education Authority.

HOMETIME ARRANGEMENT

Many thanks to everyone for your continued support in implementing the home time arrangements. The removal of traffic from the front of the school has significantly reduced congestion. We are aware however that there are still some parents collecting children from the front of the school. If collecting children by car, PLEASE continue to meet them in the back playground. We do appreciate your co-operation in this matter.

SACRAMENT DATES

Please note the dates for the celebrations of the Sacraments have been confirmed.

- **Confirmation will take place on Wednesday 28th February at 5pm**
- **First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 12th May at 11.00am**

HEADLICE

Please note head lice has once again been reported in school, it is extremely important that ALL hairs are checked regularly and if infected the proper treatment applied. All girls with long hair should come to school with hairs tied back and plaited or in a bun thus reducing the chances of being infected. Thank you for your support in this matter.

HEALTHY KIDS

On Wednesday 8th December Paul Carville and Stefan Smith will begin the Healthy Kids Programme to all our pupils. Healthy Kids is a fitness programme that aims to give physical literacy the same level of importance as academic literacy on the curriculum. Each class will have a half hour slot every Wednesday delivered by highly qualified, experienced and motivated coaches. Please see consent form attached.

PERMISSION SLIP

Please find attached our school permission slip, during the course of the school year the children will take part in a wide range of activities designed to support each area of the school curriculum. Consent needs to be sought for school outings, use of internet during class activities and pictures of children participating in activities in and out of school. These photographs will be used on the school website, notice boards, social media and local press. Please complete the form and return to the class teacher at your earliest convenience.