



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday 15th

March 2018

- As detailed on the holiday list sent home at the start of the school year, **the school will close at 12pm on Friday 16th March** for St Patrick's Day. Dinner will be at 11.30am. Unfortunately there will be no buses available so parents will have to arrange for the collection of their children from the school. It is also a **Non Uniform/Green Day**. We would ask pupils to bring £1 per child/£2 per family. All proceeds to Trocaire/Sr. Patricia.
- **The Service of Light and Commitment** will take place tonight at 7pm. All P7 pupils are to wear full school uniform.
- **First Confession** will take place on Wednesday 21st March at 7pm. All P3 pupils are to wear full school uniform.
- **Confirmation** will be on Friday 20th April at 11am. All pupils are to wear full school uniform.
- **After School Sports** will continue every Thursday until Easter. Children should bring their PE gear to school with them.
- **Con Magees Glenravel** are holding their Spring League from 17th March–14th April. Please see the attached flyer for more details.
- **School Absences** must be reported in writing to your child's teacher as soon as possible, usually on your child's return to school. This ensures the correct absence code can be entered to the official attendance register.
- **EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS**

Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning.

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| 100% Attendance | 0 Days Missed |
| 95% Attendance | 9 Days of Absence |
| 90% Attendance | 19 Days of Absence |
| 85% Attendance | 28 Days of Absence |
| 80% Attendance | 38 Days of Absence |
| 75% Attendance | 46 Days of Absence |

90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% attendance means that your child will miss half a school day each week or 19 days of school during the school year - that's nearly 4 school weeks!



Remember:

- The **Thursday Note and Dinner Menu** are available on the school website: www.stannespscorkey.com
- Lots of other news and information is also available to view

School Dinners

- The price of a **school meal** has increased to £2.60 per day or £13.00 per week. Dinners for the week (paid and free) should be ordered on a Monday morning by returning the correct money and slip attached.

Collection of Children

- Class Teachers should be informed of any changes to arrangements for collecting children.

Please turn over

- Mr Pat Black, Conor and Catriona from CPC, Ballycastle very kindly hosted our **St Patrick's Day Ceilidh**. This was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Photos and videos are available to view on our website.

- **Trocaire Fundraising—**

Tuesday Toast for Trocaire—began on Tuesday 6th March and will continue every Tuesday until Easter. Toast will be served at break-time in the Dinner Hall. The cost is 20p per slice.

P4 & P5 will have a **Bun Sale** on **Friday 16th March**.

P6 & P7 will have a **Bun Sale** on **Friday 23rd March**.

Children wishing to bring buns home with them can bring an extra lunchbox to school with them. All buns cost 20p—max purchase of 5.

10P Trail—Bring in as many 10ps as possible throughout Lent.

All proceeds from these events will be divided 50/50 between Sr. Patricia and Trocaire.

- **P1-P7 PE Lessons** are held every **Monday**. Please ensure all pupils bring their PE gear to school with them.
- **Curricular Rugby with Ulster Rugby coach Tommy Van Wyk** will continue every Monday for P4-P7 pupils. These classes will run until Easter. Please ensure that all pupils have their PE kit and suitable footwear with them. As a conclusion to these lessons, a Fun Day will be held on Monday 26th March at Armoy RFC. Any outstanding permission slips should be returned to the school as soon as possible.
- **P6 After Schools Brain Gym** will continue as usual every Tuesday from 3pm-4pm
- **Swimming** - P6/7 will continue as usual on Wednesday. The cost is £3 per child per week.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—Remember to send in your child's savings (max £2) on a Wednesday in the folder provided. **Any child who lodges to their account through the school on Wednesday 20th March will be entered into a draw to win an Easter Egg. Good luck to everyone!**
- **Shared Education Hurling & Hockey Lessons** for P6 & P7 Pupils will continue every Friday in Dunloy Sports Academy, concluding on the 16th March.
- **Loughgiel Early Years** — Newsletter for March is available to view on our website.



- Please remember that St Anne's Primary School is a **"NUT FREE ZONE"**
- When paying **dinner and milk money** cheques should be made payable to: **The Education Authority—NE Region**. Everything else (After Schools, Breakfast Club etc) should be made payable to St Anne's PS.
- Our new **Text Parents Service** has been set up. One message will be sent to the parent who is listed as Priority 1 on the Pupil Data Sheet. If any details change, please inform the school as soon as possible.