

St. Ronan's Primary and Nursery School November 2019 Newsletter



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Parent – Teacher Meetings – Meetings will be held on Friday 22nd November. Details of times will be sent out in the coming days. We operate an open-door policy. Should you have any concerns regarding your child's academic progression, please call the school to make an appointment with your child's teacher.

Copies of our Child Protection leaflet, Complaints Procedure and Code of Conduct for Social Media will be uploaded to the school website and a message will be sent out via the school app. On the day of the Parent-Teacher meeting, you will be asked to sign a sheet saying you have received a copy via the website or requested a hard copy.

Sacraments – First Penance will be held on Thursday 26th March at 7pm.

First Holy Communion will be held on Saturday 2nd May 2020 at 11am.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Friday 13th March at 6pm in Holy Cross Church. Celebrant will be Bishop Duffy. All children will wear full uniform with a special collar to be worn over the top of the uniform. The collar will be provided free of charge by the parish and returned at the end of the ceremony.

Indoor Football – The Cumann na Bunscol 5-a-side Indoor Football competitions takes place on Friday 29th November in Castlepark. P7 pupils participating.

Shared Education – Shared classes continue this month in both schools and some small trips to Castlepark.

Road Safety Week – Monday 18th November to Sunday 24th November. <u>www.roadsafetyweek.org.uk</u>

We will be walking to school on Thursday 21st November. We will begin at St. Ronan's Parish Hall at 8:50am. It would be good to see pupils and parents walking together and don't forget the hi-viz clothing and bright colours to ensure we are all seen.

Christmas Productions – P1 pupils will host their Nativity Play for the school on Wednesday 11th December and for parents / extended family on Thursday 12th December at 11am.

Two other year groups will host their plays on Wednesday 18th December. Details to follow.

Lisnaskea Feis – Well done to pupils who participated in the recent Feis. Congratulations to medal and certificate winners in Art and Verse Speaking. We are awaiting results in Own Poetry and Handwriting competitions.

PTFA – The first AGM of the Parent, Teacher and Friends Association took place in October. It was great to see such a big turnout of parents who are enthusiastic to support the school. At the meeting the following posts were filled:

Chairperson Ruth Hill

Secretary Jennifer Mumford

Treasurer Johnny Reilly

Many thanks to the PTFA for organising the Scarecrow Trail in conjunction with Moat PS PTA. Congratulations to Ellie McManus (P1) who was selected as the winner of the IMC Cinema Family Pass.

Nut Free Zone – We have received notification from the Education Authority that the school canteen area is now a nut-free zone. Food items and spreads which contain nuts or traces of nuts must not be consumed. As a consequence, the school will also be a nut-free zone. Please ensure that all food items brought to school do not contain nuts.

Safeguarding – The Designated Teacher for Child Protection is Mr Shannon.

The Deputy Designated Teachers are Miss Power and Mr McGrath.

The Designated Governor for Child Protection is Mrs Maria McKenna.

Flu Vaccination – The Health Authorities in conjunction with the Department of Education have decided to administer the flu vaccine through schools and we have been asked to comply with this arrangement. A recent communication to schools has indicated that the vaccination period may now be in December. We will update when we get more information.

Enrolment 2020/21 – Enrolment for Nursery and P1 will take place online this year as per instructions from the Education Authority. The period for enrolling has changed and will close at the end of January. Further details will be included in the December Newsletter.