



St. Ronan's Primary and Nursery School

December 2019 Newsletter

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Focus – Our themes for December are Christmas and generosity.

Christmas Holidays – School will close on Friday 20th December at 11:00am and re-open on Monday 6th January 2020 for the Spring Term. There will be no buses home on Fri 20th and there will be no school dinner.

Open Mornings – Any parent who would like to come and see the facilities for Nursery and Primary School before enrolling is very welcome to visit. Please call 028 67721511 to arrange an appointment.

Admissions 2020 – Admissions to Nursery and P1 for September 2020 open on Tuesday 7th January at noon. The process will close at noon on 30th January. Applications after that will be considered as late applications. The process will take place online on the Education Authority website (www.eani.org.uk). To facilitate parents in making an application, the school can offer assistance in this process. Please call the school Office to make an appointment.

Staff – We welcome back Mrs McGirr to work on Monday 9th December. We express our thanks to Mrs Torney for her hard work with P5 since September. Her last day is Friday 6th December.

Do This In Memory – Next Mass is Sunday 15th December at 11:30am in Holy Cross Church.

Children's Liturgy – The Children's Liturgy Team invites children and families to a Children's Mass on Sunday 8th December at 11:30am in Holy Cross Church.

PTFA – The pupils, staff and PTFA did a wonderful job decorating the inside and outside of the school for Christmas. A number of activities are taking place before Christmas:

13th – Christmas Party and Disco for P3 – P7

13th – Santa visits Nursery, P1 and P2

16th – Party Bees for Nursery, P1 and P2

16th – Santa visits P3 – P7

Christmas Draw will take place on Wednesday 19th. Draw sheets to be returned by 18th. Lots of great prizes which were detailed in the PTFA Newsletter which was sent out last week. Lines are £1 per line. Thank you for your continued support.

Choir – The school choir will be singing at 10:30am on Wednesday 18th in Bank of Ireland, Lisnaskea.

Performances – P1s will perform the Nativity on Thursday 12th December at 11am. P1 parents and extended family are welcome to come along.

P3 and P6 will be performing their plays for families and friends on Wednesday 18th December at 7pm in the school hall. P3 are performing 'Stable Story' while P6 are busy preparing for 'C-H-R-I-S-T-M-A-S spells Christmas'. There will be a matinee performance at 11am for other family members and the wider community who cannot attend the evening show.

Pupils will get a chance to see the plays on Tuesday 17th and are not encouraged to come to the evening show as seats are very limited. Tickets for plays on 18th December are available from the School Office from Tuesday 10th December at a cost of £3.00. Proceeds will be donated to Neo-natal Unit, South-West Acute Hospital, Enniskillen.

Christmas Dinner – Tuesday 10th December. Cost is £2.60. Children may wear their Christmas jumper that day.

Sacraments – First Penance will take place on Thursday 26th March 2020 at 7pm.

First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 2nd May 2020 at 11am.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Friday 13th March at 6pm in Holy Cross Church, Lisnaskea. Celebrant will be Bishop Duffy.

Enrolment for Confirmation takes place on Sunday 9th February at 11:30am Mass in Holy Cross Church.

Children who are taking the Confirmation Pledge can do so on Sunday 1st March at 11:30am Mass in Holy Cross Church.

A Service of Light for Confirmation pupils will take place on Wednesday 12th February at 7:30pm in Holy Cross Church, Lisnaskea.

Parent Meetings – Thanks to all parents who came along for meetings in late November. They are an important part of the school calendar and are an opportunity to discuss what is going well for children in school and areas for improvement. As mentioned before, we have an open-door policy. Should you have any concerns in the future, please call the school to make an appointment with your child's teacher.

Hair – Please continue to check your child's hair on a regular basis to avoid the spread of head lice.

Collection from school – When pupils are brought out at 2pm or 3pm, they will not be allowed to move unaccompanied through the car park as this is a serious Health and Safety issue. An adult must come to the steps at the playground area before a child is allowed to leave. Adults must take children by the hand when walking across the carpark. Please do not let them run on independently.

The pupils, staff and Board of Governors take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy and holy Christmas and best wishes for 2020. Thank you to everyone for your support of the school over the past year. This support is vital and very much appreciated as we continue the important work of education for all our children.

Nollaig Shona daoibh

