

January Newsletter, 2020

Happy New Year!!

Main Dates and Events for your Diary Term 2!!

- Friday 31st January at 12:00
midnight

Closing date & time for all on-line and
paper applications for admission into
Primary 1 for September 2019.

- Monday 17th - Friday 21st
February 2020 (inclusive)

Mid-Term Break

SCHOOL CLOSED.

(Re-opens Monday 24th February.)

- Sunday 23rd February 2020
Confirmation

In St. Patrick's Church Clonoe
At 3:00pm

Thursday 12th March 2020

First Confessions

for P4 Pupils

7:00pm

St. Patrick's Church, Clonoe

School Closed:-

Monday 16th March

(Staff Development Day)

&

Tuesday 17th March 2020

for St Patrick's Day;

Thursday 9th April - Friday 17th

April 2020 (Inclusive)

Easter Holidays

Early closure for 11:00 am:

Thursday 9th April 2020

School re-opens Monday 20th April 2020
for Term 3.

Catholic Schools Week.

Grandparent Day at St Patrick's PS

Once again, we will celebrate the wonderful
contribution that Grandparents make to
both the lives of our children, their
families and their community.

This is always a very special morning at St
Patrick's PS and this year we celebrate the
legacy of these special people in all our
lives on

Thursday 30th January 2020.

**Grandparents are invited to attend
anytime from 10:00am - 11:30am.**

We look forward to having you as our
special guests.

Dinner Monies.

*All dinner money MUST be paid in full on
the Monday of each week that dinners
are to be taken.*

*It costs £2:60 per child per day or
£13:00 per child per week.*

The school acts only as an agent for the
Education Authority who has full
responsibility for dinners. So please
ensure your child's dinner bill is paid in
full at the start of each week if you
wish them to receive paid dinners in
school.

Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices.

Please note that it is against school policy for any child to bring in a mobile phone, i-pad, DS or any electronic device to school. They are too expensive and precious a gift to run the risk of them being broken or going missing.

The school will not accept any responsibility for such item if brought in.

Policy available on school website

www.stpatricksannaghmore.com

If discovered, they will be taken to the office for safe keeping and sent home at the end of the school day.

All visitors, Parents & Guardians to the school are respectfully requested to switch off or silence phones while inside the school building and while on school grounds.

Please do not take offence if asked to do so.

Traffic outside the school

Please ensure that when parking, that residents are not blocked into or out of their drive ways in the mornings or at pick-up times in the afternoon.

A sincere 'Thank You' to all parents who are supporting the appeal to **leave clear access at the school gate at all times when parking.**

Thank you for all your support during road works before Christmas!

We are now back to normal collection arrangements and accordingly, ***no one is allowed to drive onto the school yard to leave off or to collect children.***

Morning Club

begins at 7:45am.

All children arriving at the school before 9:00am must attend the Morning Club and should go directly to the Hall and not to classrooms.

Teachers have preparation work and/or meetings before class begins daily. Supervision for children is provided in the Hall, and, weather permitting, they will be supervised outside by designated staff from 9:00am.

Many thanks to all parents who contribute the £2:50 per child per week.

Nut Free Zone.

Please ensure that all food sent into school has been carefully checked for nut content. We have a number of children with various Nut Allergies and it is essential that the school environment is a **NUT FREE ZONE** to protect their health and welfare.

We require your support to help achieve this.

To this end,

NO Cakes should be sent into school for sharing with classes as the contents cannot be guaranteed and please ensure no peanut butter is used as filling in any snack or sandwich.

Family and Friends Assemblies.

P2 - Thursday 13th February 2020

P5 - Thursday 26th March 2020

All assemblies begin at 9:15am and light refreshments are available for all adults only, in Hall afterwards.

Admissions to Primary 1 in September 2020.

If your child was born between 2 July 2015 and 1 July 2016, they will be due to start primary one in September 2020, and as they will be of compulsory school age, you must apply for a place in a primary school.

The Citizen Portal is available to make an online application for admission to pre-schools in September 2020.

www.eani.org.uk

Places are not allocated on a First Come, First Served basis.

You will be able to apply online between:

12.00 noon (GMT) on Tuesday 7 January 2020

and

12.00 noon (GMT) on Thursday 30 January 2020

If you are unable to apply online, paper applications will be available on request from schools or the Education Authority.

Before you submit your application it is important that you read the admissions criteria of the schools you are interested in sending your child to. When completing the application, you will need to make sure you include all the relevant information about how your child meets the criteria, as this is what schools will use when applying criteria and making decisions on which children will be offered places.

If you apply after the closing date/time for punctual applications i.e. 12 noon on Thursday 30 January 2020, you will need to complete a paper form as the Citizen Portal will not be accessible after this date, and your application will be treated as a late application.

For more information, please view the Primary school admissions User Guide available on Education Authority website and also copied to parent information page on our school website.