



## *'Being the best that we can be'*

**'Friday Note'**

**Friday 23 June 2017**

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### **Class Allocation for 2017/2018**

The Governors have held interviews this week for a number of appointments so we will be in a position to inform you about classes for 2017/2018 next week in the June extra Newsheet. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

### **'At Arms Length' Project in Primary One**

Earlier this Month, Mrs McManus' Primary One class were involved in a number of drama, interactive story-telling and visual arts workshops, exploring difference, diversity and the promotion of good relations and acceptance. The children worked alongside highly experienced arts and drama facilitators to create their very own story, characters and puppets that formed the foundations of a showcase event that they attended on Tuesday of this week. It was just amazing to see their story and character "Gingerbread the Clown" come to life, what amazing imaginations they have! We certainly have plenty of future writers, designers and directors in our midst!

### **PTA News**

#### **Fun Run**

What a beautiful evening it was for Lisburn's Fun Run on Wednesday. All in all we had over 140 participants in the race which is amazing. Some were running the 10k, some the fun run and some just meandering along. Warm up was very ably provided by Mr Brian Magee and got us all in the mood for fun. The Just Giving page has been very busy with over £800 raised so far and we will let you know the full amount next week. Please leave in any other sponsorship money into the office as soon as you can. Well done and thank you to everyone involved!

### **Sal's Shoes**

Mrs Kennedy (Darragh and Kian's Mummy) has had the lovely idea of our school collecting old and unwanted shoes for an organisation called Sal's Shoes! We will collect all old shoes on **Tuesday ONLY** of next week and Mrs Kennedy has kindly agreed to deliver the shoes to the collection point. You can donate all sorts of shoes especially school shoes and on this occasion we will allow children to donate their old school shoes and wear trainers into school for the rest of next week. Please pair them using an elastic band and label the shoe size and boy/girl on the front. Find out more at: <http://www.salsshoes.com>

### **More Sporting Success!**

#### **Eamonn O'Faoigain Tournament**

On Tuesday, 17 hurlers and camogie players were invited to St. Colman's to take part in a hurling tournament in memory of our friend Eamonn O'Faoigain who sadly passed away last year RIP. Eamonn worked in St. Colman's P.S. for 31 years, primarily in the Special Needs Unit. A true gentleman and a true Gael, Eamonn throughout his short but full life, inspired many young children to treasure and live out their Irish Culture through music, the Irish language and the sport he loved so much, hurling. The sun was shining as the children learned skills from former pupils of Eamonn's, now currently Antrim stars. All the children then competed in a friendly match and were presented with medals by Eamonn's mum and brother in law. Anna Broderick was selected as player of the tournament from St. Joseph's for her excellent defence skills and determination. Eamonn would definitely have agreed with this choice. It was such a lovely occasion and the children really enjoyed it. Eamonn, who was always very fond of our school would have been proud. A special thanks to our coach Michael Stewart and his daughter Niamh who came along to help. Michael and Niamh are also past pupils of St. Colman's who were inspired by Eamonn to play Hurling.

#### **Belfast/Dublin Games**

Out of 6 children who attended trials to play in the Belfast/Dublin games, 3 were chosen to represent Antrim in Gaelic football, Enya Daye, Conor Broderick, and Ruairi Gallagher. Hannah Gartland represented Antrim in four wall



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handball. This was a remarkable achievement as children from many Belfast school attended these trials. Enya's team won the girls Gaelic but the boys unfortunately lost out by a goal to the Dublin team. In the handball, Hannah Gartland defeated a boy in her age category to secure a win for Antrim. Congratulations to all the children who competed.

### **St. Patrick's GAA Success**

Congratulations to the young St. Patrick's GAA players of St. Joseph's who won the 'McAuley Tournament' in Pdraig Sarsfields on Saturday. We had seven players from St. Joseph's which made up most of the team, EoghanRua Rowlands, Darragh Kennedy, Tomas Fay, Finn Lappin, Euan Lappin, Dylan O'Hare and Conor Dowds. The boys were slow to start but once they got warmed up there was no stopping them. They went on to win the cup - a lot of very excited young, promising GAA footballers coming through. We look forward to seeing the sporting success continue as these players move up the school.

### **What's happening next week?**

#### **June Extra Newsheet**

On Wednesday 28 June we will issue the last newsheet of the year. Look out for this in your child's schoolbag.

#### **Friday 30 June Pick Up arrangements**

In order to ensure the safe pick up of pupils from the school on Friday 30 June we will implement the previous arrangements as follows:

- All P1 – p3 children with no siblings in P4- P6 must be picked up at 11.30am at their normal pick up point
- P4 – P6 pupils with siblings must be picked up at 11.45am at their normal pick up points

### **Lisburn Foodbank Holiday Club**

Lisburn Foodbank are running a Holiday Club which is free to families eligible for free school meals. The Holiday club will take place on Wednesdays and Thursdays in late July and August in Lisburn City Church in Graham Gardens. The holiday club will involve arts, crafts, hip hop dancing, samba drumming and more all followed by a hot meal. Please contact [team@lisburnfoodbank.org](mailto:team@lisburnfoodbank.org) for a registration form or you can pick one up at the school office. Registration closes on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

<b>Monday 26 June 2017</b>	<b>Tuesday 27 June 2017</b>	<b>Wednesday 28 June 2017</b>	<b>Thursday 29 June 2017</b>	<b>Friday 30 June 2017</b>
Daniel Gartland and Aoife Keenan (Past pupils) on work experience  P4 Mathematics Development Day with Robert Thompson (EA)	11.30am Anaphylactic Shock training for classroom assistants and lunchtime supervisors  Sal's Shoes day: bring your old shoes to school for collection	Mrs Gould ICT Development Day  P1 Teddy Bear's picnic (weather permitting)  June Extra Newsheet out today!	Transition day: meet your new teacher  P4 Trip to cinema and Pizza Hut	School closes at 12noon. Please see early pick up arrangements

Don't forget to leave your email address into the school office if you haven't already done so.

Only one more week to go!

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