



'Being the best that we can be'

'Friday Note'

Friday 31 March 2017

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Looking back...

First Confession

Many of our Primary 3 pupils made their First Confession on Thursday of this week. We were so proud of their maturity and reverence during the service. Their singing and participation was excellent as well. Well done! Thank you to Miss Clarke, Ms Kitt, Mrs Allen and Ms Brown for preparing the children so well. Thank you to our choir and folk group who enhanced the ceremony and thank you parents for being with us on this special occasion.

Maths Development

This week Miss Clarke delivered staff training in the use of our newly purchased maths resource 'IZAK 9'. Staff have already begun using this exciting resource in class. Watch out for photos on Twitter as well as videos on our school website.

Next week Miss Clarke will be talking to pupil representatives from each class about how maths has improved in school this year. This is known as 'Pupil Voice' monitoring. Pupils will be able to express their opinions about the maths development completed so far this year. As with all of our monitoring the results will be shared with you and further action will be taken to help improve and develop maths here in school.

Trocaire Fundraising

Every year we encourage pupils to raise money for the annual Trocaire Lenten appeal. Next **Friday 7 April** we will have a non-uniform treat day in aid of Trocaire. Children can come to school in their ordinary clothes and will be able to buy a treat from the cake sale in the assembly hall. Donations of £2 will help support this worthy cause. Well done to our P6 pupils who are organising this day.

Transfer Club

Transfer Club for Primary 6 pupils who hope to take GL/AQE test in November of this year is going very well. The pupils are finding this a very fun and engaging afternoon and are all participating fully in both numeracy and literacy sessions. We are aware that other schools charge for this type of after school activity but we don't feel that this would be appropriate at this stage. I would like to thank Mrs McCambridge for giving up her planning and preparation time on a Wednesday afternoon to facilitate transfer club.

Linen Museum Science Workshops

Over the last 2 weeks many of our classes have visited Lisburn's Linen Museum to celebrate British Science Week 2017. They were able to participate in experiments connected the theme 'Tremendous Transformations', investigating acids, bases, chemical reactions as well as making slime! All in all an exciting experience for all involved.



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Looking ahead...

Donegal Residential for P7

We are so excited about our upcoming P7 residential trip to Gartan Adventure centre in Donegal. We would like to remind parents that we will have an information sharing meeting for parents next **Wednesday 5 April at 8.15am**. It is vital that at least 1 parent attends this meeting as we will be delivering important information as well as sharing necessary paperwork with you.

Monday 3 April 2017	Tuesday 4 April 2017	Wednesday 5 April 2017	Thursday 6 April 2017	Friday 7 April 2017
<p>April Newssheet out today</p> <p>Miss Clarke carrying out pupil voice interviews with a range of pupils in relation to Mathematics</p> <p>Anna Foster on work experience in P2 Miss McAnerney's class</p> <p>3pm: Maths Problem Solving workshop for staff</p>	<p>Miss Clarke carrying out pupil voice interviews with a range of pupils in relation to Mathematics</p> <p>Anna Foster on work experience in P2 Miss McAnerney's class</p> <p>P4 Mrs Gould's class at Lisburn Library</p> <p>P2 Miss Beatty's class at pottery in Island Arts Centre</p> <p>P6 Mrs McCambridge's class at pottery in Island Arts Centre</p> <p>3pm QLT: Planning for all teachers</p> <p>Colette Brownlee – Museum Research with P7 Mrs O'Hare's class</p>	<p>8.15am Donegal residential meeting for P7 parents in assembly hall</p> <p>Anna Foster on work experience in P2 Miss McAnerney's class</p> <p>4 Primary 7 pupils representing Lisburn and Castlereagh at Northern Ireland Athletics Finals</p> <p>CPD Art session 5 for fellow teachers</p> <p>Transfer Club for P6 3pm – 4.15pm</p>	<p>Safeguarding Team Meeting at 8.30am</p> <p>Awards assembly</p> <p>Mrs Gould: ICT development day: ICT tracker Analysis and Evaluation with year groups SUB: Rebecca Leonard</p> <p>Mrs Fleming at CCMS meeting from 12.30pm</p>	<p>Non-Uniform Fun Day for whole school in aid of Trocaire : donations of £2 includes a treat!</p> <p>Mrs Adair's P7 parent Assembly at 9.30am</p> <p>After school activities end today</p>

Have a lovely weekend and see you all on Monday!

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