



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

### **'Friday Note'**

**Friday 12 May 2017**

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### **Looking back...**

#### **JOSEPH!**

Well....this morning we are all still recovering from the night before and what a fabulous night it was! Our 56 Primary 7 children excelled themselves with their production of 'Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.' It was a fantastic performance from start to finish; isn't it hard to believe that the children are all only 11 and not all of them are drama specialists. We are so proud of them all. Well done! Thank you, in particular, to Mrs O'Hare who has worked so hard with the children in preparation for the show last night. It was a St. Joseph's first for us to be hosting our P7 end of year show in the Island Hall and we don't think it will be our last!

### **Post-Inspection Update**

This week we welcomed Jill Garland, our district inspector into school to complete some joint lesson observations with me. Jill's feedback has been very useful to help us drive forward our on-going school improvement work. The lesson observations in Literacy are now completed. Coordinators in Literacy, Numeracy, ICT, Special Educational Needs and Quality Learning and Teaching are now completing self-evaluative reports to summarise the improvements made this year as well as identify the areas for improvement in 2017/2018.

### **Well done to...**

- Anna Broderick and Sarah Joseph who passed their Clarinet Grade 1 with flying colours.
- Meabh and Cillian Quinn who made it through to the cast of 'Oliver' in the Grand Opera House in July and
- Rihanna Lawlor who won gold in 100m backstroke, silver in 100m freestyle and bronze in 200.....at Newry Short course gala recently.

### **Parental Surveys**

Don't forget to return your survey either to your child's teacher or simply put it in the box in the front hall. Thank you. The senior leadership team will analyse the surveys and let you know the results before the end of term.

### **PTA Small Change for Change Campaign**

This campaign went very well in all classes...the PTA will count up the totals in the next few days and let us know the winning class. We'll let you know next week.

### **Looking Ahead**

#### **First Communion**

We are so looking forward to our Primary 4 First Communion day tomorrow at 10am in St. Patrick's Chapel. We are so proud of how our Primary 4 children have prepared for this sacrament. They have shown such maturity and reverence. Thank you to Mrs Connolly, Mrs Gould, Mrs Law and Mrs Braskiene for all their hard work in the last few weeks. We send all our Primary 4 children and their families our very best wishes for a happy and memorable day tomorrow.



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### **P7 Residential**

It will be a quieter week in school next week as the Primary 7 pupils go on residential to Donegal. Accompanying the children will be Mrs McCambridge, Mr Reid, Miss Manson, Miss Gray and myself. Mrs O'Hare will take Mrs McCambridge's class and Mrs Adair will take Mr Reid's class from Monday to Wednesday. Mrs O'Hare as Acting Vice-Principal will be in charge.

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

<b>Monday 15 May 2017</b>	<b>Tuesday 16 May 2017</b>	<b>Wednesday 17 May 2017</b>	<b>Thursday 18 May 2017</b>	<b>Friday 19 May 2017</b>
'Walk to School Week'  PTM and PTE Testing P3 – P7  P7 residential trip to Gartan, Donegal  P6 Mrs Gorman's class at Lisburn Library  P1 School Nurse	'Walk to School Week'  PTM and PTE Testing P3 – P7  P7 residential trip to Gartan, Donegal  School Nurse for P1  Pottery at Island Arts Centre for P1	'Walk to School Week'  <b>FOUNDATION STAGE SPORTS DAY 9.30am – 12noon</b>  PTM and PTE Testing P3 – P7  P7 residential trip to Gartan, Donegal  School Nurse for P1  <b>No Transfer Club today!</b>	'Walk to School Week'  PTM and PTE Testing P3 – P7  School Nurse for P1  ASCET with P2 Miss Beatty's class 11am – 12noon  Mrs Fleming and Mrs O'Hare at EI conference  P5 Mrs Gartland to Linen Centre: Egyptian Workshop 9.30am – 12.30  Miss Clarke and Miss McAnerney at Literacy and Numeracy Coordinator course from 1.30 onwards	'Walk to School Week'  PTM and PTE Testing P3 – P7  School Nurse for P1  P2 School trip to W5  P5 Mr Reid to Linen Centre: Egyptian Workshop 9.30am – 12.30  P7 Olympic Handball blitz 9am – 1.30pm  Return your Cool Kids Summer booking forms today

Another beautiful week weather wise....we are hoping that it continues next week for the P7 residential to Donegal. Have a lovely weekend.

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