











St. Joseph's Primary School 42 Castle Street Lisburn BT274XE

## 'Being the best that we can be'

**Friday Note** 

### Friday 7th February 2020

No. 19

#### **P7 Sacrament of Confirmation**

Confirmation for P7 pupils will take this Wednesday 12th February at 11am in St. Patrick's Church. We ask you to remember all of the children in your prayers as they prepare for their special day.

We are appealing for volunteers to help serve refreshments after Confirmation on Wednesday 12th February from 11am-1pm. If you can help, even for a short time, please leave your name with Ms Gibson in the school office.

#### Four Wall Handball

Congratulations to the four P7 boys chosen to represent the school in the Belfast School GAA Four wall Irish Handball on Wednesday. These boys are all talented one wall players, but Mrs Gartland wanted them to experience four wall. Conor Dowds and Patrick Hooks played in the singles event while Eoghan Rua Rowlands teamed up the Dylan O'Hare in the doubles. Patrick won his first match comfortably, meeting Conor in the next round which then went to a decider. After an amazing effort from both boys, Conor won by just a point, 11,10. Conor won his next round also and proceeded to final where he met a talented handballer from Good Shepherd. Sure determination and will saw Conor win in the final as the scores were (11,4), (5,11). Huge congratulations to Conor who was crowned Belfast Schools Handball Champion. In the doubles, Eoghan Rua and Dylan O'Hare also progressed to the final where they also met boys from Good Shepherd. The boys lost the first game (3, 11) but clinched the second game (11,5), however due to the rules the Good Shepherd boys just pipped them to the gold medal on points. An amazing day for these talented boys and a wonderful achievement for St. Joseph's. Conor will now go on to represent Antrim in the Ulster Schools competition. We now look forward after midterm the one wall competition.

## **Cool Kids Club**

Just a reminder you need to book this service in advance. That way it gives the Cool Kids managers time to ensure staffing levels are appropriate. In the interests of our Cool Kids staff we would encourage all parents to collect their children at their allocated times and before 5.30pm in the evening. Any child not picked up on or before 5.30pm will incur a late fee of £10. This will be added to your bill. If you have any additional queries please do not hesitate in contacting Mrs Noblett or Miss Gray, Cool Kids managers, on 07856781285. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

#### Celebrate Valentine's Day in Primary One

We would like to extend an invitation to the parents of our Primary One children to celebrate Valentine's Day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February from 1 – 2pm. A range of activities will take place in your child's classroom, including lots of **LOVE**ly treats for you to take home! We look forward to seeing you all there.



## Safer Internet Day 2020



Safer Internet Day takes place on Tuesday 11th February and this year's theme is "Free to be me". As a school we will be looking at identity online and using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively. Each class will be participating in various lessons and activities around this theme and Digital leaders will be delivering assemblies on Thursday 13th and Friday 14th February.

## **Transplant Games**

On Friday 14th February we are asking the children to wear 'red clothing' (non-uniform day) to support Lucy Ellen's transplant games fundraising drive. Lucy Ellen is a pupil in Miss Mc Anerney's Primary 2 class. We are asking the children to bring in at least £1 each to support Lucy Ellen and her quest to attend the transplant games.





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#### Class Assemblies for Term 2

Please note that parents/guardians are invited to class assemblies. Assemblies will begin promptly at 9.15am.

| Class             | Date                          |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| P6 – Mrs Fleming  | Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March |
| P6 – Mrs Gartland | Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April  |

## Term 2 Holidays

February Midterm Break Next Meeting of the PTA PTA Wear Green for St Patrick's Day Reporting to parents Staff Development Day St. Patrick's Day Easter Holidays

Monday 17th to Friday 21st February (5 days).

27/02/2020 at 7pm (Cool Kids Cabin). New members welcome.

Wednesday 11th March (£1 donation per child).

Friday 13th March. Monday 16th March. Tuesday 17th March.

Friday 10th April to Friday 17th April. School reopens on Monday 20th

April.

The week ahead: Week beginning Monday 10th February 2020

| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>   | Wednesday 12th  | Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>  | Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>  |
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| P5 classes attending a NI Fire and Rescue workshop in the assembly hall at 11am. P7 classes attending St. Patrick's Church for a Confirmation practice at 11am. | Clarinet tuition (8.30 – 10.45am).  Flute tuition (8.30 – 10.30am.)  Internet Safety Day 2020.  P6 Shared Education Day.  Mrs Hearty and Mrs Toman attending a course. Mrs Elena Smyth will be teaching P1.  P5 Workshop "Our Waste, Our World". (Habitat for Humanity)  Mrs Connolly attending a course. Ms Teresa Twene teaching P4. | Violin tuition.  Pottery sessions in the Island Arts Centre for P4 (AH) classes from 9.15 – 10.45am.  P5 tennis coaching at Wallace Park.  P6 Shared Education Day.  German and Spanish for P6 pupils with The Wallace High School students.  P7 Confirmation at 11am in St. Patrick's Church | Violin tuition.  Digital Leaders' Assembly on Internet Safety.  Netball League Day 3 for P6 and P7 pupils from 2.00 – 4.00pm at the Racquets Club. | Digital Leaders' Assembly on Internet Safety.  Mrs Mc Cambridge attending a course. Mrs Elena Smyth teaching P7.  Wear 'red' for the transplant games. Fundraising day for Lucy Ellen (P2).  P6 badminton coaching.  P7 swimming lessons.  P1 Parents' Valentine's Day Event from 1.00 – 2.00pm. |









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