



## Saint Eithne's Primary School



### Free School Meals

The school will receive additional funding for every child registered for free school meals. Please ensure that your child is registered, even if they do not want to receive free meals. Applications can be made at [eani.org.uk](http://eani.org.uk)

### Welcome from Mr. Mc Dowell

In our first news letter of the year I'd like to welcome you all back to Saint Eithne's after the very long break. I extend a warm welcome to all of our new Primary 1 children and their families as well as to the children and families who have recently joined the Saint Eithne's family from other schools. I hope that we will have a long, happy and fruitful relationship.

### Settling Down, Settling in

After the long break away from school September is our month for settling back into routines. Time for children to get used to teacher, teachers to get used to children and parents to get used to tired children coming home after a hard day's work!

Hopefully routines have now been established as we settle into the pattern and rhythm of school again.

T. McDowell  
(Principal)



**Safe and Sound**  
Thankfully we have all returned to some level of normality again here in Saint Eithne's. A sincere thank you to all of our parents for your patience and understanding. Most of all thank you to our amazing children who have come through so much over the past number of months.

**Important Dates**  
**School Closed Monday 28th September for staff training.**

**Primary 1 Full Day—  
Tuesday 29th September**



### MILK & FRUIT

Daily milk and fruit are offered to children every day at a reduced cost thanks to the Extended Schools Programme. Let your child's teacher know if you would like to avail of this.



### Breakfast Club open from 8am

#### Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club has resumed operation for children from P2-P7. The club opens each morning from 8 to 8:45am. The club allows children time to have a breakfast with children from their class 'bubble' before school begins.

**THANK YOU ALL**  
Last year Saint Eithne's purchased more iPads and ICT resources. These wonderful resources will benefit each and every child attending Saint Eithne's and could not have been bought without the very generous donations our parents and families made to the school fund raising activities last year. We very much appreciate all of your kind support!

### General Office

If you need anything..information or help please just call and see Aine or Maria at the general office or contact us on tel: 71377077

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Saint Eithne's has always been very proud of the range of after school activities it offers our children from Primary 4 to 7. However, due to the current COVID restrictions and safety concerns, we are delaying the introduction of clubs until we feel confident that they can be operated in a way that is safe for all.



### Car Park

We have a wonderful facility in the parent car park/ drop off area. Think of our children's safety first. Please be patient whilst using the car park. Please pull into the side when dropping children off and try to avoid stopping on the pedestrian crossing. Some parents have children with disabilities so PLEASE leave the disability bays free for those parents who have a tougher task bringing their children in and out of the school.



### Website/ Facebook/ iClass

Keep up to date with Saint Eithne's news and events by visiting our website [www.steithnes.net](http://www.steithnes.net) Why not download the app!

### Zoom Assemblies

Unfortunately we are unable to meet together as a whole school family for our weekly assemblies. In the absence of these assemblies we have made use of Zoom to allow us to 'meet' while safely remaining in our bubbles. The children have greatly enjoyed seeing their friends on the large screens in their classrooms while also having the chance to pray and celebrate together as a school family.



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### Homework Club

The children from Primary 6 & 7 have been offered the chance to attend the Homework Club after school each day from Monday to Thursday. The club allows them a quiet place with some support to complete their work. We hope to extend the club to other year groups when it is safe to do so.