



St. Joseph's Primary School  
42 Castle Street  
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BT274XE

*'Being the best that we can be'*

## Friday Note

Friday 9 November 2018

No.7

### Looking back.... Please pray...

This week we had some devastating news about one of our past pupils, Niamh Drayne. Niamh was diagnosed with a brain tumour. Niamh's mummy, Stella is our school's netball coach as well as a very close friend of St. Joseph's. We would ask that you pray for Niamh as she undergoes her treatment. Thank you.



### DANCEATHON

Thank you so much for making this such a successful school fundraising event before Halloween. An amazing £2673 was raised for much needed school funds. Thank you so much!

### ROAD OF HOPE

We were delighted to hand over 171 shoeboxes to Fiona from Road of Hope on Tuesday afternoon! She thanked us once again for our amazing generosity. Thank you!

### NSPCC

As part of our celebration of 'Anti-Bullying Week' next week we were lucky enough to have NSPCC visit us this week and deliver assemblies as well as individual workshops with P6 and P7 pupils. We were delighted when the volunteers from NSPCC gave us some very positive feedback about our pupils. They said our pupils' responses were very mature and considered and that their behaviour was superb! Well done everyone on being super ambassadors for our school.

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to our rising athletics star, Anna Broderick P7, who qualified in the Ulster XC Championships and will attend the All Ireland Championships in Dublin at the end of the month. We wish her lots of luck!

### Looking ahead....

#### AQE 1

Tomorrow many of our Primary 7 pupils will take the first of 5 transfer examinations to be taken over the course of November. We are so proud of our Primary 7 pupils and how hard they have worked. We wish them the very best of luck tomorrow and our prayers are with them.

### Foundation Stage Literacy Workshop

On Tuesday night we will hold a Literacy workshop for parents of pupils in the Foundation Stage, Primary 1 and Primary 2. This is a very practical and hands on workshop that will give you tips and ideas to help support your child at home with reading and writing. Please come along and support this event.

### Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is anti-bullying week. The theme of this week is Respect for Others. During this week we will be exploring anti bullying and focusing on care and respect for others. We will do this through workshops and assemblies. Please take time to have a chat with your child about the theme.

### Turn Off Fortnight

Our Eco-Council will be encouraging us to switch off lights, screens etc to celebrate 'Turn Off Fortnight.'

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### Flu Vaccinations

On Thursday and Friday, the school health team will be administering the flu vaccinations to pupils who have returned their forms and given permission. Please note the vaccinations will not be administered to pupils who have not returned their forms.

### Christmas hampers

Thank you for all the donations so far. Please send in any donations for our Christmas hampers to your child's teacher (All details on November Newsheet).

**Dinner Menu** W/B Monday 12 November 2018 (Week 3) [http://www.stjosephsschool.org/cmsfiles/items/downloads/2018-08-30\\_8\\_44\\_47//Dinner Menu 2018 Term 1.pdf](http://www.stjosephsschool.org/cmsfiles/items/downloads/2018-08-30_8_44_47//Dinner Menu 2018 Term 1.pdf)

### What's happening next week?

### Looking ahead...

Monday 12 November 2018	Tuesday 13 November 2018	Wednesday 14 November 2018	Thursday 15 November 2018	Friday 16 November 2018
<b>Anti-Bullying Week</b>  <b>Eco Council's 'Turn off Fortnight'</b>  P1 & P2 Christmas Concert tickets on sale at reception!  Mrs Crilly Global Connections Course  Mrs Awada: Digital Literacy Course Sub: Mrs Twene  P6 Mrs Gartland at Young Enterprise workshop 12noon – 2pm  Literacy: Collegiate Book Discussion at 3pm  Board of Governors Meeting at 6pm	<b>Anti-Bullying Week</b>  <b>Eco Council's 'Turn off Fortnight'</b>  P7 Transfer Club starts at 8am  Mrs Awada: Digital Literacy Course Sub: Mrs Twene  Literacy Classroom Observations in P4 – P7 classes  P6 Mrs Gorman's YMCA Shared Education project with Largymore PS @ St. Joseph's PS 1.30pm – 3.30pm  <b>Literacy Workshop for Foundation Stage Parents at 6pm</b>	<b>Anti-Bullying Week</b>  <b>Eco Council's 'Turn off Fortnight'</b>  Pottery at Lisburn Island Arts Centre for P2 Mrs Awada and P5 Mr Reid  Anti-Bullying Assembly P1 – P3 at 9.15am and P4 – P7 at 9.45am  P6 and P7 at SERC Open day  Mrs Hanna: Shared education Development Day: Sub: Miss Leonard	<b>Anti-Bullying Week</b>  <b>Eco Council's 'Turn off Fortnight'</b>  <b>Flu Vaccinations</b>  Literacy Classroom Observations in P4 – P7 classes  P6 Friends School Science students delivering science experiments	<b>Anti-Bullying Week</b>  <b>Eco Council's 'Turn off Fortnight'</b>  <b>Flu Vaccinations</b>  Christmas card orders: Please return by today! Thank you!  P5 swimming  P7 badminton

We can certainly see the nights drawing in this week. Have a lovely weekend.

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