



'Being the best that we can be'

Friday Note

Friday 10th January 2020

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Happy New Year!

I trust you all had a peaceful and relaxing Christmas break. On behalf of the Governors and staff of St. Joseph's Primary School we send all of our families the very best wishes for 2020! It is so nice to welcome everyone back for the start of Term 2. The children have quickly settled into their work and our planned school improvement work continues. We very much value your continued positive support and we look forward to many opportunities during Term 2 to welcome you into our wonderful school.

Mobile Phones

Santa may well have brought some pupils mobile phones at Christmas so it is an apt time to remind pupils and parents of our mobile phone policy. Mobile phones are not permitted in school. In exceptional circumstances, and only with the permission of the principal or vice - principal, will permission be granted for a pupil to bring in a mobile phone to school. Parents must contact the principal/vice - principal to make this arrangement. Pupils who have been granted permission to bring in a mobile phone must hand in the phone to the principal at 9am and collect it again at 3pm.

PE Uniform

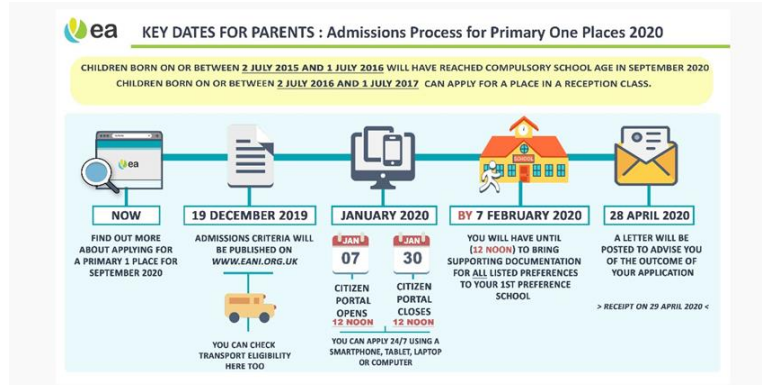
Just a reminder that on PE days the children need to wear their full PE uniform. It is the school's policy that only the nominated O'Neills tracksuit bottoms or plain navy tracksuit bottoms should be worn. Any other tracksuit bottoms, especially those with stipes, lines or logos are not permitted. Thank you for your support with this.

Dinner Booking

Just a reminder that all dinner bookings must be made before midnight the night before. On Tuesday of this week we had over 30 extra pupils for dinners. Luckily though, Louisa our school cook, had enough food for every child. Please ensure all dinners, including free school meals are booked online. Thank you for your support with this.

P1 Online Applications for September 2020

The application process commenced at 12 noon on Tuesday 7th January and will run until 12 noon on Thursday 30th January. Please inform family members and friends who have children eligible to start Primary One in September 2020 of these very important dates. Applications can be made at any time of the day.



As mentioned at Open Night we are prepared to assist parents/guardians completing their online applications and as such will host an 'admission clinic' on Tuesday 14th January from 5.00 – 6.00pm. If the scheduled time does not suit you, or if you would like an individual meeting with the Principal or a member of the Senior Leadership Team, we will be happy to provide this as well.

P7 Confirmation Date

The Bishop's Office has released the date of Confirmation for this year's Primary 7 classes. It will take place at 11am on Wednesday 12th February in St. Patrick's Church.

The P7 classes will have their Service of Light at school on Tuesday 21st January at 7pm. Fr Dermot will officiate this ceremony. Further details will be sent home by the class teachers next week.



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Morning Supervision

Just a gentle reminder to parents that our morning supervision for 'breakfast club' doesn't start until 8.00am. Unfortunately, towards the end of Term 1, we had children left off at school from 7.40am unsupervised by parents/guardians. There is no one on school premises to supervise at this time and it is your responsibility to stay with the children until the morning supervisors arrive. I appreciate your support with this.

After School Activities

Our Term 2 programme of after school activities begins on Monday 13th January. For any additional enquiries please contact Mrs Mc Manus at school.

Class Assemblies for Term 2

Please note that parents/guardians are invited to class assemblies. **Assemblies will begin promptly at the new time of 9.15am.** When your child has an assembly it is important that they arrive to school punctually on these mornings so teachers can perform final preparations before assemblies begin.

Class	Date
P2 – Mrs Crilly	Thursday 23 rd January
P2 – Miss Mc Anerney	Thursday 30 th January
P5 – Mrs Gorman	Friday 31 st January
P6 – Mrs Fleming	Friday 27 th March
P6 – Mrs Gartland	Friday 3 rd April

P7 Swimming Tuition

The children from P7 will begin their swimming lessons on Friday 10th January. This is a ten-week course and it will finish on Friday 27th March. The cost is £22. There will be no lessons on Friday 21st February and Friday 13th March as school will be closed to pupils on these days. We would like to remind you that pupils are not permitted to bring spray aerosols/deodorants of any kind to the pool and that girls should wear full one-piece swimming costumes.

P6 Badminton Coaching

The children from P6 will begin badminton coaching on Friday 10th January. This is a six-week course and it will finish on Friday 14th February. The cost is £15.

P5 Tennis Coaching

The children from P5 will begin their swimming lessons on Wednesday 15th January. This is a six-week course and it will finish on Wednesday 26th February. The cost is £12. There will be no lessons on Wednesday 19th February as school will be closed to pupils on this day.

Term 2 Holidays

Holidays and school closures for Term 2 have been included below.

February Midterm Break	Monday 17 th to Friday 21 st February (5 days).
Reporting to parents	Friday 13 th March
Staff Development Day	Monday 16 th March
St. Patrick's Day	Tuesday 17 th March.
Easter Holidays	Friday 10 th April to Friday 17 th April. School reopens on Monday 20 th April.



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The week ahead: **Week beginning Monday 13th January 2020**

Monday 13 th	Tuesday 14 th	Wednesday 15 th	Thursday 16 th	Friday 17 th
<p>8 week assessments.</p> <p>P4 (AH) Library visit from 10am.</p> <p>P4 CAT, P7 PTE & PTM and PASS testing (P3 - P7).</p> <p>After school activities begin.</p>	<p>Clarinet tuition (8.30 – 10.45am).</p> <p>Continuation of P4 CAT, P7 PTE & PTM and PASS testing (P3 - P7).</p> <p>P1 online registration workshop for parents in the ICT Suite from 5-6pm.</p>	<p>Violin tuition.</p> <p>Pottery sessions in the Island Arts Centre – P2 (SC) and P5 (CK).</p> <p>P5 Tennis coaching at Wallace Park.</p> <p>P4 (MC) Library visit from 10am.</p> <p>Continuation of P4 CAT, P7 PTE & PTM and PASS testing (P3 - P7).</p>	<p>Flute tuition (8.30 – 10.30am.)</p> <p>Violin tuition.</p> <p>Continuation of P4 CAT, P7 PTE & PTM and PASS testing (P3 - P7).</p> <p>P1-3 Assembly</p> <p>P6/P7 Netball league (Day 2) from 1.30 – 4.00pm.</p>	<p>P4-7 Assembly</p> <p>Continuation of P4 CAT, P7 PTE & PTM and PASS testing (P3 - P7).</p> <p>P6 badminton coaching.</p> <p>P7 swimming lessons.</p>

Future Dates

- P2 (SC) Parent Assembly
- P4 – P7 Catholic Schools Week Mass
- P2 (CMcA) Parent Assembly
- P5 (CG) Parent Assembly
- P7 Sacrament of Confirmation
- February Midterm Break

- Thursday 23rd January at 9.15am.
- Tuesday 28th January at 10am.
- Thursday 30th January at 9.15am.
- Friday 31st January at 9.15am.
- Wednesday 12th February at 11am.
- Monday 17th to Friday 21st February (All week).

Dinner Menu (January to June 2020)

St Josephs Lisburn Menu					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week One	Chicken Goujons Seasonal Salad/Coleslaw Chips/Jacket Potatoes Or Home Made Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Pasta Bolognaise Or Pork Stroganoff & Rice	Roast Chicken, Gravy, Stuffing Broccoli/Cauliflower Creamed Potatoes or Savoury rice	Oven Baked Fish Seasonal Salad Mashed Potatoes Baked Beans Or Chicken Curry & Rice Naan Bread	Carrot, Lentil & Coriander Soup/Crusty Bread Beef Burger & Bap Salad/Coleslaw Or Cheese & Tomato Wrap
	Fresh Fruit Pudding Creamy Rice Pudding Fresh Fruit Salad	Vanilla Ice Cream, Pears Chocolate Sauce	Crackers, cheese Selection of Fresh Fruit	Fruit Crumble & Custard	Shortbread, Fresh Fruit Milkshake
Week Two	Salmon Bites Peas/Carrots Mashed Potatoes Or Chicken Casserole	Savoury Mince Beef Pie Steamed Broccoli Mashed Potatoes Or Tomato & Basil Pasta Bata	Roast Beef, Gravy, Stuffing Carrots & Parsnips Oven Roast And Mashed Potatoes	Chicken Curry & Rice Naan Bread Or Cheese & Ham Baguette Seasonal Salad	Oven Baked Pork Sausages Baked Beans Chips/Jacket Potato
	Arctic Roll & Fruit	Shortbread & Fresh Fruit Salad	Chocolate Sponge & Custard	Yoghurts, Fresh Fruit Saad	Fruit Muffin Milkshake
Week Three	Fish Fingers Oven Baked Diced Herb Potatoes/Baked Potatoes Baked Beans Or Pasta Carbonara	Chicken Curry & Rice Naan Bread Chicken Casserole Mashed Potatoes Baton Carrots	Roast Gammon, Gravy, Stuffing Peas, Carrots Oven Roast And Mashed Potatoes	Oven Baked Sausages Gravy Creamed potatoes Mixed Vegetables Or Tuna Wrap Seasonal Salad/Coleslaw	Ham & Cheese Pizza Chips/Jacket Potato Or Mexican Chili Beef with noodles
	Frozen Strawberry Mousse Fresh Fruit	Banoffee pot/ Strawberry shortcake	Vanilla sponge and custard Selection of Fresh Fruit	Fakemeal biscuit/Fruit	Melon Wedges
Week Four	Oven Baked Chicken Nuggets Oven Baked diced Herb Potatoes/Baked Potatoes Sweetcorn/ Coleslaw Or Chicken Salad Wrap Frozen Fruit Mousse Fresh Fruit Salad	Beef Casserole Peas/Carrots Creamed Potatoes Or Beef in Black Bean Sauce & Rice	Whiting Fillet in Crumb Coating Baked Beans Mashed Potatoes Or Macaroni Cheese Seasonal Salad	Chicken Curry & Rice Naan Bread Or Sweet Chili Chicken Baguette Seasonal Salad	Homemade Vegetable soup Crusty Bread Hot Dog Or Ham & Cheese Wrap Seasonal Salad
		Chocolate sponge & Custard	Fakemeal biscuit/ Fruit	Ginger Cookie & Fresh Fruit	Fruit Muffin & Milkshake



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Bread, fruit, yoghurt, milk and water are available daily.

If you require any additional information on allergies or special diet please contact the school in the first instance



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