



St. John's Primary School April Newsletter



EASTER HOLIDAYS

The school will close on Holy Thursday 17th April for the Easter break. Please note there will be no morning club on Thursday 17th April and the school bus service will not operate on this day. Term 3 commences on Monday 28th April 2025.

TERM 2 ACTIVITIES

Term 2 has been an extremely busy and active time for our pupils. Primary 7 and Primary 4 received their Sacraments of Confirmation and First Penance. We have been taking part in sports competitions, Feis Dhun Geanainn and academic challenges, with fantastic success. The children have also been going on WAU class trips, participating in Shared Education activities, ECO projects and initiatives, ICT Skills projects and much more. Check out our school website which has a range of news and photos to celebrate these activities. We are very proud of the effort and interest shown by our pupils across these various endeavours. We are always impressed with our children's behaviour and conduct when they represent St John's at these events - they are a credit to their families and our school so well done!

HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion takes place for the P4 children Saturday 10th May 2025. Tea and Coffee will be served after the Mass in the school. Thank-you to the P.S.G. for organising this - Everyone welcome!

There will be a photographer, available in the Church for those who wish to have professional photographs taken.

P5, P6 & P7 CLASSES - COMMUNION CHOIR

The KS2 children provide the music for First Holy Communion and we really appreciate their attendance on this day as the singing really contributes to making this a special occasion. We kindly ask that all children are seated no later than 10.45am and are collected from 12 noon at the front of the Church. Children do not need to wear their uniform. *Thank-you in advance.*

INTERNET SAFETY AND SOCIAL SITES

In St John's, every possible effort has been made to ensure the safety of all pupils while on the internet. We marked Internet Safety Day recently with the children and they should be aware of the uses and dangers of the Internet.

Please be extra vigilant at home if your child is using social media apps. We are aware that there are issues and concerns ongoing with some children's use of these apps particularly Whatsapp Messaging. We would like to remind parents of the **legal age requirements** for using these apps. This policy is in place to protect young users from potential risks associated with online communication, including exposure to inappropriate content, cyberbullying, and privacy concerns.

APPS AND THEIR AGE RATINGS



As none of our pupils are over the age of 13, we strongly advise you to monitor your child's online activities and enforce these recommended restrictions.

There are alternative messaging apps designed specifically for younger users that offer better safety features and parental controls. We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring the safety and well-being of our students.

BRING AND BUY SALE

The P7 children are organising a 'Bring and Buy Sale' on Wednesday 21st May. They would appreciate any donations of toys, jewellery and games etc. Cake and buns (nut free) can also be brought in on the day. *Thank-you in advance!*

PRIMARY 7 LEAVERS' HOODIES

The Primary 7 Class of 2025 were delighted to receive their new hoodies. They look so smart. Hopefully they will get plenty of use out of them this year. Many thanks to the Gervin family for all their help and support organising the hoodies for the pupils.

NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS TO P1 - SEPTEMBER 2025

Notifications of outcomes for admissions to P1 have now been issued to parents on via email. Please check junk email to ensure you have received the outcome. Parents can accept their child's place by logging into their EA Connect account.

We would like to take the opportunity to wish the school community a happy Easter. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

