# May Newsletter, 2024

#### MAY HOLIDAYS - School CLOSED

Monday 6th May - Bank Holiday

Monday 27th May – Second Bank Holiday

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May - (Optional Closure)

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## Term Time Holidays

The Department of Education have decided that family holidays taken during term times cannot be authorised or agreed to by schools. Should you decide to go on holiday during school time your child/ren will be marked absent.

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### Parking and leaving.

Recently, an increasing number of parents are doing 'U-Turns' from the school gates directly across to Annabann on the opposite side of the road. I am asking everyone please, not to do this as children and parents are walking across and it is causing unnecessary traffic jams in an already heavily congested road.

It is an accident waiting to happen.

PLEASE drive down to the inter-section past the school and turn there safely.

Thursday 9th & Friday 10th May

10:30am - 11:30am

Canon Fee & Fr John will hear Confession for P5 - P7 pupils in school.

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Saturday 11th May

First Holy Communion for P4s of St Patrick's PS At 11:00am St Patrick's Church, Clonoe.

PLEASE ensure all children are in the chapel and in their assigned seat for 10:45am at the latest.

Each child is assigned one family seat. Any 'extra' guests will be directed to vacant seats at the rear of the Chapel.

Girls are NOT to wear gloves or carry bags or umbrellas when going to receive Communion.

<u>Please ensure there are all are kept in</u> the seat.

Please arrive in time for a photograph of each child and their family to be taken on entering the chapel for the school website ©

All are invited back to the school for light refreshments from 12:00pm - 1:30pm.

Please be mindful that staff are giving up their Saturday and refreshments will finish at 1:30pm.

All siblings of the First Communicants must remain under parental supervision at all times.

## Sports Activity Day.

We will run out Sports Activity Day following last year's format focusing on participation and inclusion of every child. As always, the weather will dictate precise dates, and this will be Text to all first contacts for each child.

We will try to give as much prior notice as possible to allow spectators to attend.

PLEASE ensure contact details are up to date and if you may have changed phone numbers recently, ring into the school office with the new contact details and they will be updated on the school's contact lists held in the office.

We are aiming for week of 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> June for Sports Morning.

We will go for Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, weather permitting.

Staff will organise the whole school into 5 colour teams to represent the colours of the Olympic Rings.

Each child will then be asked to wear that colour into school for the Sports Activity Morning.

Colour teams for P1 - P3 will do their Team events at the front of the school

and P4 - P7 will carry out their team events at the back and on the pitch.

The teams front and back will be awarded 5, 4, 3 2 or 1 point according to how they perform at each event. At the end, all team scores, front and back will be tallied and a team trophy will be presented to the over-all winning team.

Parents, as always, are welcome to attend the Activity Morning starting at 9:30am and finishing at 11:30am

Please remember, for the fair running of all the events, children will stay with their teachers and the teaching assistants at all times during the sports morning.

Tea/coffee will be available in the hall FOR ADULTS ONLY - you are welcome to bring your own travel mug and we will gladly fill it for you too!

All activities will be finished for 11:45am and dinner service will begin in the hall for pupils shortly after this.







Primary 7 proudly sport their new school tops and don't they look fab-u-lous?

This year they opted to buy a single design in school colours with the school logo embroidered and initials above this.

Many thanks to ROLO, Clonoe Village, for producing the tops for us. There have been a lot of enquiries regarding other children and purchasing them a top and we can organise for this before the end of June for September 2024 for those who may be interested.

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