



Glencull's April News

Super Blitz Series

Errigal Ciaran and some local businesses are helping our schools to run a series of blitzes for p4-7 children.

Eoghain Murray (AB Coaching coach) will assist on the day. This would mean that Eoghain won't be in school to coach that day - instead he'd be with the above classes running the blitz. We are so thankful for sponsorship from local businesses for the buses to transport the children to

and from Dunmoyle or Ballygawley playing fields from 10-12.30.

	Date	Sponsors
Dates for p4/5 children -	Monday 3rd April	PD COACHES
	Monday 25th April	TYRONE PHYSIO CLINIC
	Monday 22nd May	tyrone fabrication
Dates for p6/7 children	Tuesday 4th April	Hillview Plant Plant and Machinery Sales
	Tuesday 24th April	THE FIRE WAGON
	Tuesday 23rd May	EuroParts

Super Blitz!

P4-7

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	Monday 3 rd April
	Monday 25 th April
	Monday 22 nd May
Dates for p6/7 children	Date
	Tuesday 4 th April
	Tuesday 24 th April
	Tuesday 23 rd May

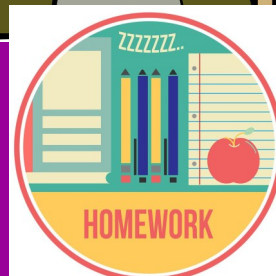
Mathletics Challenge

Mr Lynch is putting his neck on the line to help you with your numeracy!! He has challenged P2-7 to earn a quarter of a million points on Mathletics in the month of April. If they reach this target Mr Lynch will act as a target for the P2-7's to practice their 'Wet Sponge' throwing!!!! If all the pupils in P2-7 score 1,000 (a bronze certificate) points per school week (there's an Easter Break in April!) they will have a total of 300,000 points. For the last week in April, 24th-28th April, we'll be placing most of P2-7 maths homework on Mathletics!



Saturday School

The parents and staff at St Malachy's have voted to have the school week extended to a Saturday. Saturday will now be dedicated to doing more lessons about whatever is covered in school. One parent commented, "I think it's a great idea, no more going to football on a Saturday to get your clothes dirty." Staff were overheard in the staff room saying, "we can't wait to come in on a Saturday". The Saturday school will begin on 31st of April.



Easter Holidays

Easter Holiday's are as follows.

School closes Wed 5th April at 11am and reopens Monday 17th April 2022. Also note extra Bank Holiday Monday in May.

April 2023							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
13						1	2
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17	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

May 2023							
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
22	29	30	31				

June 2023							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
22				1	2	3	4
23	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
24	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
25	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	26	27	28	29	30		



Lego Club

Mr Lynch will be running Lego club after school for P4,5 and 6. Starting on Wednesday 19th April for 6 weeks. The cost is £10 per pupil for the full 6 week block and will be available on the school money app.

There will be a limit to the number of spaces available. Wed 19th April 3pm—4pm with prompt collection after. Lego etc. will be provided.



Positive Discipline



At Glencull the children are 'caught' being 'good' all the time! If caught showing positive behaviours there are lots of rewards. We celebrate great examples of positive actions each Friday during our assembly. It's important that children get an opportunity to talk about how they have won these rewards at home, so asking about their successes in school will help discipline in school. Reinforcing that you think these positive behaviours are important will help enthuse your child about showing these behaviours in school. Our discipline policy also has sanctions for those displaying behaviours that are not appropriate. When sanctions are taken, we encourage children to discuss these at home and for home to support sanctions and reinforce that these behaviours are inappropriate. We have had great improvements in pupils where sanctions are followed up at home and we encourage this support. Please discuss these with your child focusing on their behaviour, rather the behaviours of others.

Inappropriate Language.

Whether on the football pitch or during a disagreement we encourage children to negotiate problems using the rich language they learn in class. Our school community does not accept bad language. **Sanction:** Yellow card. Two yellow cards in a fortnight = a red card and a note home to parents regarding inappropriate language.

Rough Play

Sometimes rough play can result from many different games e.g. pretending to be superheroes or good guys and bad guys. We encourage and discuss how to enjoy these games without being rough. When playing football in school, children are encouraged to use less contact and to be mindful of the difference in age present during their game. Rough play is off putting for some children who wish to play and everyone has the job of making sure those who are playing are enjoying the game. **Sanction:** removal from the game for a fixed time to allow reflection.



Football Tournaments



Over term 2/3 the KS2 children have been getting lots of opportunities to play in competitive and non-competitive Blitz. During the non-competitive Blitz all the children who attend will get equal opportunity to play, with a focus on improvement. At a competitive blitz the team that is most likely to win will be picked and there is no guarantee that all children will get to travel or to play, nor that they will get to play in the position they wish to play. We aim to have a mix of the two different types of event throughout the year. The first competitive blitz takes place on 13th April 2022 in Loughmacrory.

Confirmation and Communion

First Communion is on Sunday 21st May. We ask all the P5-7 children to help the P4 children celebrate this important sacrament by singing in the choir.

Confirmation is on Sunday 4th June. We ask all the P4-6 children to help the P7 children celebrate this important sacrament by singing in the choir.

As the P7 group missed having a party in school after their communion (due to Covid) we aim to have parties for both these sacraments back in school in the new hall (which should be open by then).

So keep the date free in your diary so you can support with the choir or the party after.

Uniforms

The school jumper can not be replaced by another sports top or quarter zip. Please remind your child to put their jumper on and if cold, then a coat or sports top can be worn.

Please ensure that all items of uniform and PE kit are labelled with a name and class to ensure that no pieces of clothing are lost.

Swimming

We've had confirmation that the 29th March was the last swimming session. Congratulations to all the P4-7 children who pushed themselves out of their comfort zone to improve so much from their starting point! Great learning for everyone.

Music and Drama

Traditional music, with Nuala Sweeney, continues music every Tuesday in the summer term. There are 8 weeks of music left from after Easter until the summer holidays. This term costs £8 per child. Please pay via the school money app.

Drama continues with Stephanie Thursdays; This term costs £8 per child. Please pay via the school money app.

Skills Day

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Allianz Cumann na mBunscol Tyrone will be holding their annual skills day on Thurs 20th April in the Garvaghey Centre. St Malachy's will be sending 2 children for each code: i.e. 2 x girl football; 2 x boy football; 2 x boy hurling & 2 x girl camogie. Participants will be chosen based on a skills test in school.

After School Basketball/Netball

We plan to begin afterschool basketball and netball for P5/6/7. However, we await the completion of some parts of the building works before we can confirm start dates. We're aiming for a Tues/Wed after school. More details will follow.



PE

Errigal Ciaran football coach Eoghain Murray continues coaching sessions for P1-7s. KS2 classes are broken into two groups, one working on skills with the other focusing more on game play, swapping focuses each week.

PE days

P1-7: Monday—Errigal Coach

P1-7: Friday—curriculum PE

Wednesday swimming finishes at Easter.



What kind of dog does a magician have?

A Labracadabrador!



How does a vampire start a letter?

Tomb it may concern!

Are You Joking?

April Fools



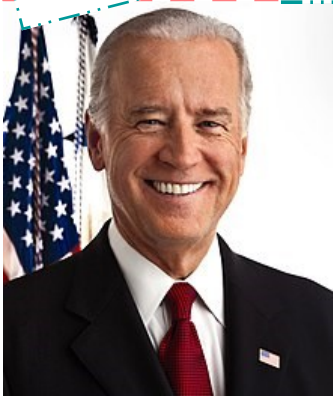
Why did the chicken cross the playground?

To get to the other slide!

What do sprinters eat before a race?
Nothing. They fast!

How do you tell the difference between a bull and a cow?
It is either one or the udder!

Why did an old man fall in a well?
Because he couldn't see that well!



Visit

On Friday 7th April, President Joe Biden will visit St Malachy's to see some of the great work going on at Glencull. Mr Biden described the opportunity as, "Ah excellent, a really great experience for the children".

April Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
24 April Golden Crumbed Fish Fillet Or Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread Slice Chipped Potatoes/Mashed Potato Beans & Garden Peas Homemade Ginger Biscuit	Homemade Beef Bolognaise or Chicken Pie Mashed Potato/ ½ Baked Potato Sweetcorn/Coleslaw Ice Cream and Jelly	Southern Spiced or Chicken Wrap or Homemade Chicken Curry & Naan Bread Boiled Rice, Potato Wedges & Tossed Salad/Peas Chocolate Sponge & Custard and Pears	Roast Gammon with Stuffing & Gravy or Cheesy Bean Loaded Jacket Potato Mash & Roast Potatoes Carrots & Broccoli Strawberry Mousse or Rice Pudding Chilled/Hot with Fruit	Hotdog or Sweet Chilli Chicken Panini Chipped Potatoes/ Pasta Spirals Tossed Salad & Coleslaw Milkshake & Flakemeal Biscuit
27 March Oven Baked Chicken Nuggets or Ham & Cheese Panini Chipped Potatoes/Mashed Potato Sweetcorn & Baked Beans Cornflake Tart and Custard	Homemade Beef Mince Pie or Steak Burger Gravy Mashed Potatoes Peas & Carrots Homemade Jam & Coconut Sponge & Custard	Chicken Curry & Naan Bread or Golden Crumbed Fish Fillet Mashed Potato & Boiled Rice Garden Peas Chocolate Rice Krispie Square and Fruit piece	Roast Turkey with Stuffing & Gravy or Sausage and Bean Pie Mash & Roast Potatoes Carrots Ice Cream Slider and Fruit Piece	Homemade Pepperoni/Margherita Pizza or Homemade Beef Lasagne Chipped Potatoes/Pasta Spirals Salad Coleslaw Homemade Shortbread and Fruit
3 April Spiced Chicken Fajita or Oven Baked Chicken Nuggets Chipped Potatoes/Mashed Potato/Coleslaw Baked Beans & Garden Peas Homemade Ginger Biscuit and Fruit Piece	Homemade Chicken Curry with Naan Bread or Oven Baked Fish Fingers Mashed Potatoes & Boiled Rice Spaghetti Hoops / Sweetcorn Homemade Brownie and Fruit			
17 April Oven Baked Chicken Goujons or Pasta Spirals in a Rich Tomato and Pesto Sauce with Garlic Bread Slice Golden Diced Potatoes Baked Beans /Sweetcorn Vanilla Artic Roll & Two Fruit	Homemade Chicken Pie or Oven Baked Fish Fingers Chipped Potatoes Garden Peas/Coleslaw Homemade Shortbread Biscuit and Fruit	Oven Baked Pork Sausages or Chicken Curry & Naan Bread Mashed Potato & Boiled Rice Carrots/Sweetcorn Sticky Toffee Pudding & Custard	Roast Chicken Fillet with Stuffing & Gravy or Ham & Cheese Loaded Jacket Potato/Salad Mash & Roast Potatoes Carrots and Broccoli Ice Cream Slider and Fruit Piece	Chicken Burger & Salad or Homemade Pepperoni/Margherita Pizza Slice Chipped Potato Baked Beans/Coleslaw Banoffee Pie



GoodLuck Mr Lynch!

P4 and 7 are not the only ones receiving a sacrament this year! Mr Lynch is getting married over Easter break! Heartfelt Congratulations and best wishes to Mr Lynch and his bride to be Emma! The whole school community want to take this opportunity to wish you happiness in your new life together. We are thrilled for you and wish you many years of love and happiness. How happy do they look in this photo!

New Friends

P4 and 5 welcome our new friends Aine and Katie to their class. We're delighted to welcome the girls to our St Malachy's family!

“God made you and God made me, He made the world for us to see. God loves you and long ago, He sent his Son to tell us so. Jesus showed us many things, To love and share and dance and sing. To learn and pray, to help and care, He promised he'd always be there. He died but then came back to life, let's celebrate for he's alive! Amen.”
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