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JUNE 2024 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please keep this newsletter in a safe place. It will only be issued to the eldest or only child. A copy of this Newsletter can be found on our school website: https://www.stpetersstpaulsforeglen.com/

School Reopening 2024-25

School will reopen for an Induction Day for P1 and 7 on Friday 30th August 9-11.30am School opens for all pupils Monday 2nd September.

P7 Leavers' Day

Primary 7 will finish school on Friday 21st June. In order to mark the end of their primary school career pupils will be given the opportunity to have an extended lie in and come to St Peter's and St Paul's Church for 10.30am for their leavers' mass. More information to follow.

We congratulate all our P7 children on this joyous occasion, wish them good luck and pray that the Holy Spirit will remain with them and guide them throughout their lives.













Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 4th June - P7 'Taking the next Step' workshop (9-11am)

Thursday 6th June - Fan the Flame Mass for P7 children at Celtic Park Derry (10-12.30)

Friday 7th June Sports Day (10-1pm at Foreglen GAA Pitch)

Monday 10th June - St Patrick's and St Brigid's Taster Day for P6 children (9-2pm)

Tuesday 11th June - Limavady Streetwise Event for P7 at Roe Valley Leisure Centre (12.30-2.30)

Wednesday 12th June - P7 School Trip to Lisburn (9-5.30pm)

Thursday 13th June - P1 Open Afternoon for new P1 Intake 2024/25 (2.15-3pm)

Friday 14th June -Feel Good Day

Homework now ends

Friday 21st June - Leavers' Mass for P7 @10.30am in St Peter's and St Paul's Church.

Last Day for P7. School will finish at 1.30pm for all P7 children.

Wednesday 26th June - P1-6 School Trip to Lurgybrack Farm Letterkenny (9-2pm)

- O'Neills Order Deadline

Annual Reports Issued

Friday 28th June - End of Term (Non-uniform day- School closes at 11am for Summer Holidays)

Free School Meals/School uniform/Physical Education Clothing Allowance 2024-25

Parents are reminded that they must apply for this entitlement for each school year. The number of children listed as receiving this entitlement is reflected by an increase in our school budget and also used by the DE when they review all schools' targets in Literacy and Numeracy so it is very important that if you are entitled you do apply, whether or not your child intends on using the school canteen.

Parents/Guardians who are currently in receipt of support for 2023-24 school year will not be sent a pre-populated form for the 2024-25 school year. All parents/guardians (including new applicants) are required to apply online:

https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals

It is recommended that parents/guardians apply during the month of June, or as early as possible, to enable applications to be processed for support to be in place for their children for the new school year.

Parents/ Guardians are advised of the importance of providing valid Bank or Building Society account details in the claimant's own name. Payments cannot be made into Post Office accounts











Special Diet

Parents/Guardians whose child has a Statement of Special Educational Needs and requires a special diet should contact the Meals and Uniform Section for a paper application form if they wish to apply under the special diet criteria.

Meals/ Uniform Grants Service

This service is available to assist parents/guardians who may have any queries. The Helpdesk operates Monday - Friday from 9.00am to 4.30pm and can be contacted via email:

mealsanduniform@eani.org.uk

The telephone number that should be used for all enquiries is:

02890418044

Support for Parents/Guardians

Fantastic Free App on ADHD to Support Families

The Changing Lives Initiative have developed an App to help families understand what ADHD is and provide practical strategies and tools for parents to use with their children.

The App is particularly relevant for parents who have concerns about their child's behaviour but are not yet sure if their child may have ADHD. The App is also very useful for those working with children, in helping them understand ADHD and how they might support children who have issues with inattention, hyperactivity or impulsivity.

The App can be downloaded for free at https://changinglivesinitiative.com/portal-capture/Parenting NI

Based on the current needs of parents, Parenting NI have designed a number of workshops which centre on supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of parents which in turn will support their children.

More information on the programme and the sessions available can be found at www.parentingni.org











O'Neill's Order

If you would like to place an order to purchase the school's O'Neill's PE tracksuit top and skinnies tracksuit bottoms please do so by Wednesday 26th June. Please complete the reply slip included in homework packs along with payment. If you require another reply slip please contact the school.

Prices are as follows:

Skinny Pants £29 Squad Tops £32

The available sizes are 5/6, 7/8, 9/10, 10-11 and 13 (There is no 11/12 option)





HEALTH AND WELL BEING DAY

On this day all children are encouraged to wear their own clothes and they can bring a sweet treat for break time. Our next 'FEEL GOOD' day is Friday 14th June.













Sports Day 2024 Arrangements: Friday 7th June

The children will be given a Euro Soccer Team the week commencing Monday 20^{th} May. All children will be assigned a colour and we ask that you dress in that colour.

Key points

- ❖ Held at Foreglen GAA Pitch. Children will arrive to school and walk down to the pitch. Our Sports Day will begin at 10am and we will have a team parade at 9.55am. Sports Day will end at 1pm
- ❖ Lunch will follow at 12.30pm with an ice-cream van in attendance afterwards to provide a treat to all children before they go home at 1pm.
- Children can order a prepaid dinner from Betty which will be delivered down to the pitch or bring a packed lunch.
 - Every child is part of a team. Everyone in the team should try and wear something of their colour - a t-shirt, shorts or even socks. The children will be given their team colour the week commencing Monday 20th May. Team colours are as follows:

Red	Orange	Yellow	Green	Blue	White	Black
Spain	Netherlands	Romania	Portugal	France	Crotia	Belgium

- ❖ Parents are very welcome to join and watch from outside the pitch.
- Remember to label any jumpers, hoodies etc and look after your belongings.
- Any photographs/videos which include any other children other than your own must not be posted on Social Media.
- Sports Day will be organised by Core NI and will be a mix of traditional individual and team games. The winning teams will be announced later in June at Principal Awards.
- ❖ And finally we are guests of Foreglen GAC and very grateful for the use of their facilities. Please treat their hospitality with respect and appreciation.











REMEMBER - TAKE CARE IN THE SUN

Wrap - in a t-shirt

Splat- on the sun cream

Hat- cover your head



SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE

Thank you to everyone for contributing towards our fundraisers and also for the kind donations throughout the school year. We're so proud to announce that we have purchased four brand new interactive whiteboards. Each classroom will avail of a new board and also another board will be placed in our school hall.

Many thanks! School Council

USE 'EASYFUNDRAISING' FOR FREE TO SUPPORT ST PETER'S AND ST PAUL'S

We're registered with Easyfundraising and you could help us to raise funds for the school at no extra cost to yourself? This is a great opportunity to keep raising much needed funds for the school. When you shop online, with over 4,100 of your favourite retailers, including John Lewis & Partners, Amazon, eBay, notonthehighstreet, you will raise FREE donations for St Peter's and St Paul's Primary School.

If you're not already signed up, it only takes a few minutes, then you can begin using the easyfundraising website or app straightaway - simply shop online as normal. This will be an enormous help to the school, at no extra cost to yourself.

Visit https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/ Search for 'St Peter's and St Paul's Primary School Foreglen, Click on 'Support this Cause'













HOW TO RAISE A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN

Talk to the class teacher via Showbie/Seesaw. This communication is not public. Talk to the DT (Miss Mc Hugh) or DDT (Mr Mc Cloy)
Talk or write to the Chair of Governors (Mr Lynch)





















