



# Holy Family Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

### Pupils of the Week

Class	Name	Reason
Reception	Aodha Hackett	For a fantastic 1 <sup>st</sup> week in Reception. You have been so brave - well done!
Yr.1 NC	Filip Biskup	For fantastic sentence writing
Yr.1 MP	Solomiia Blium	For being a wonderful shopkeeper in the garden centre - well done!
Yr.2 CK	Sophie Mahon	For excellent work on symmetry
Yr.2 EM	Maeve McCarron	For her super recall of 2D shape properties - impressive!
Yr.3 SM	Jacob Eccles	For his neat handwriting and for working so hard in class
Yr.3MO'N	Lila Fox	For being a little ray of sunshine every single day!
Yr.4 CMM	Georgia Leeper	For her fantastic recall of times tables
Yr.4 BH	Susanna Owens	For being 'on the ball' and getting started on all her tasks very quickly
Yr.5 DMC	Anna McEnhill	For having a super attitude towards everything she does!
Yr.5 DMS	Elena Eccles	For excellent listening during classwork this week
Yr.6 SMG	Amelia Krzysztafik	For always being so positive and upbeat
Yr.6 ZMD	Frank McCrossan	For excellent originality with his 'Viking Longship'
Yr.7 AC	Alice Hughes	For beautiful work in her Confirmation book
Yr.7 KMK	Rionagh McMahan	For excellent Confirmation work & showing patience & kindness to others

### Good Manners Award

**Junior Site:** Erin Quinn, Hughie McElduff, Kooper McGread, Kaia O'Kane, Aurora Hamilton, Molly McCarron, Breacan Dolan, Mia Cseh-Matyasovszky & Ruby Osuigwe

**Senior Site:** Vanessza Cseh-Matyasovszky, Matthew Deehan, Nia Moloney, Aoife Woodhead, Seamus McCreesh, Alfie Madden Quinn, Cormac McWilliams & Clarissa Duggan. Well done everyone, we are so proud of you all.

### Upcoming Dates to Note

**Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Feb** - The Yr.4 'Do This in Memory' continues at the 5.30pm Mass in the Sacred Heart

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> March** - Sacrament of Confirmation in the Sacred Heart Church @ 5pm

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup> March** - Additional Staff Development Day - pupils not in school

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup> March** - School closed for St. Patrick's Day

**Thur 2<sup>nd</sup> April** - Holy Thursday/School closes @ 12noon for pupils for the Easter break

**Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> - Fri 10<sup>th</sup> April (inclusive)** - Easter Holidays. School reopens Mon, 13<sup>th</sup> April

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> April** - First Holy Communion at 12noon in the Sacred Heart Church

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup> May** - School closed for the May Bank Holiday

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> - Wed 27<sup>th</sup> May (inclusive)** - Mid Term Break

**Thur 11<sup>th</sup>/Fri 12<sup>th</sup>/Sat 13<sup>th</sup> June** - School Show 'Beauty & the Beast' in St. Joseph's Hall

### Collection of Pupils

We remind parents/guardians to please contact the school either through seesaw or by telephone to the office if there is any change in your child's home-time arrangements i.e. if your child is going home with another child and their parent or if someone other than those named as a contact is collecting your child. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

### Credit Union Quiz

The annual credit quiz took place in Omagh Leisure Centre on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> February. We had four teams participating in what was a very challenging quiz with plenty of tough questions! Our wonderful Yr.7

pupils rose to the occasion and represented our school brilliantly - we couldn't be prouder of you all!!! Huge congratulations to the winners and well done to everyone involved in this fabulous, well-organised event!



## Flahavan's Cross Country Competition



A number of our pupils took part in round 3 of the Flahavan's cross country in Irvinestown on 6<sup>th</sup> February. Despite cold and wet conditions, they competed over a challenging 1.8km course with numerous tough hills and gradients. All of our runners performed exceptionally well and represented the school with great pride. Kyra Mimmagh secured an excellent second place in the girls' race after a hard-fought battle. James McCarron also finished second in the boys' race following a very strong performance, while Sam Motherwell narrowly missed out on a medal, finishing in an impressive seventh place. In the fun run, both our boys' and girls' teams produced strong performances. A special mention goes to Connla Quinn, who won the boys' fun run race with a fantastic run. As a result of their outstanding performances across the three rounds of the Flahavan's cross country Kyra, James and Sam have all qualified individually for the next stage of the competition, the Northern Ireland final. Well done to all our runners and good luck to our Holy Family pupils as they continue their journey in the competition.

## Cumann na mBunscol Girls' Indoor Competition

On Wednesday our K.S.2 girls took part in the Cumann na mBunscol indoor competition in Omagh Station Centre. Teams from St. Mary's Killyclogher, St. Conor's, St. Colmcille's, St. Catherine's, St. Mary's Strabane, St Dympna's and St Patrick's Castlederg participated in the competition and Holy Family progressed through their matches to reach the semi-final against eventual winners St. Dympna's. Our girls put on a magnificent display of footballing skills and were great ambassadors for our school. Huge congratulations to St. Dympna's and well done to our fabulous girls for representing Holy Family so well.



## Scholastic Book Fair



We are delighted to announce that Scholastic Book Fair has arrived in school and will be collected again next Friday morning (27<sup>th</sup> February). During this time parents/guardians and pupils will have an opportunity to view/purchase an extensive range of books and novelty items. Pupils will be taken to the book fair during the day with their class teacher and will have an opportunity to purchase books etc. **N.B. Please send the EXACT money in an envelope with your child's name and the name of the book they wish to purchase clearly marked on the front!!**

Parents/guardians will also be welcome to visit the book fair on either site at set times and we ask you to please note the following days and times:-

**Junior site: from 2.00pm - 3.00pm on Monday, Tuesday,**

**Junior site: 1.00pm - 2.00pm on Wednesday & Thursday (due to after schools in the hall)**

**Senior site: from 3.00pm - 3.30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday**

## Thought of the week

*Always keep your face towards the sunshine  
and the shadows will fall behind you!!*

