

St. Teresa's Primary School

"Doing ordinary things extraordinarily well"



Summer Newsline 2024

Parents / Guardians,

I hope this Newsline finds you and your family well. Remember all future correspondence will be through the School App and our website, (even over the summer months).

School Routines for September 2024

School will start at <u>9am each morning during the week (not 9.10am)</u>, in September. School will also <u>finish at 2pm every Friday</u> for all children to allow staff time to accommodate scheduled meetings and adequately plan for the week ahead. School will finish at 3pm Monday – Thursday as normal.

Food Allergies / Healthy Break

Can I ask you to adhere to precautions we have in school for children with severe allergies?

If your child has any new allergies over the summer, please notify the school immediately. To date we have 4 children (who require epipens) and can I ask that NO nuts or fish are brought into school at ANYTIME. Thank you for helping us with 'Healthy Breaks' this year as we require our children to bring in water, fruit or vegetables to eat / drink at breaktime. We all can see a remarkable effort made by you recently and the benefits are already showing with our children too!

Classes/Teachers for 2024/25

Primary 1 - Mrs Mulholland

Primary 2 - Miss Lyttle

Primary 3 - Mrs McNeill & Mrs McCann (Wednesday only)

Primary 4 - Mrs Fox/Mrs Loney

Primary 5 - Miss Gilmore

Primary 6 – Mrs Daly

Primary 7 - Mr Barrett

We would like to welcome Miss Gilmore as a permanent teacher to our teaching staff in St Teresa's school and wish her all the best for the future!

Home School Learning/Online Homework

I know that you will join with me in thanking the teachers and teaching assistants for the quality of work and caring approach which was reflected in activities between home/school this year. Accelerated Reader and Mathletics (and other online platforms) will <u>not</u> be monitored over the summer months but will be back up and running when our children return.

Please encourage your child to revisit targets set out in your child's reports by teachers this year. Encourage your child/ren to read over the summer holidays and if they do not have regular access to books, please visit www.librariesni.org.uk or call into your local library.

Staying Safe

Can I ask you to check where your child is over the summer months? It's a priority to keep all our children safe and well and return safely to school in September. Please be vigilant!!

Holidays

2024 / 25 holidays have already been sent out to everyone in your child's report. They can also be found on the School Website and the School App.

Summer Scheme

We have had a very positive uptake for our St Teresa's Summer Scheme in the school during the weeks of 29th July – 16th August 2024. There are still a few spaces left – information is on our School App. Come along and enjoy this action packed and safe summer scheme in our own school grounds. We also have a Music Summer Camp running from 12th – 16th August, all information can be found on the School App.

Reconstitution of the School Board of Governors

I would like to thank Mrs Fiona Hamill, Mrs Myriam McCorry and Mrs Anne McConaghy who are stepping down from the school Board of Governors after many years of dedicated service to St Teresa's Primary School, I wish them years of health and happiness for the future.

FOST

A big thank you to the FOST team for the continued support in fundraising for resources / equipment for all our children throughout the year, wishing them every success for 'Party on the Pitch' this Saturday 22nd June 2024. (from 2pm-5pm)

First Holy Communion

Thanks to Mrs Loney, Mrs Fox, Mrs Tallon & Mrs O'Neill for preparing our children for First Holy Communion on Saturday 8th June. The children all looked beautiful and were brilliant on the day, I hope you all had a lovely day afterwards. Thanks to the Parents / Guardians and school staff who helped out on the day too, all very much appreciated.

Important Upcoming Return Dates

29/8/24 - Transition for new Primary 1 children (Information already sent out for this) 9am - 11am.

30/8/24 - P2-P7 children return to school (settling in Day-9:00-11am) Full uniform/No school bags.

On a personal note, can I thank you for all the warm messages of support for all the staff this year and wish you all a happy and safe summer!!

