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Dear Parents / Carers,

31/5/2024

Pop Up Play
Parent & Child
play sessions

This programme offers fun and exciting opportunities for children and their parents / carers to explore through play!

DRY ARCH
CHILDREN'S CENTRES

SureStart
It takes a whole village to raise a child!

PLAY

LITTLE EXPLORER

Learning

Pop Up Play – 4 week sessions – Week 4

The pop up play the programme facilitated by the Dryarch will run from 1-pm – 2pm beginning Tuesday the 14th for four consecutive weeks in St. Mary's PS Gortnaghey in the school hall. All welcome please spread the word!

Parentline NI

Introducing our NEW Parent Pack 📁
Call NOW for your FREE copy 0808 8020 400

"Can I get a phone?"

"What age can I get a phone?"

"My friend has a phone, please can I get one?"

Sound familiar??

Maybe you are thinking of getting your child a phone or have recently got one? At Parentline NI we have put together a useful bumper pack full of helpful information and activities to do together with your child to prepare them for using a phone.

Packed full of useful links, support and guidance as well as helpful Q&A's to use with your child!

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Can I get a phone?
Parent Pack
What's a phone?
Is it safe?
How do I use it?
What are the rules?
How do I use it?
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Loretto College Taster Day

Thank you to Loretto College Coleraine for hosting our Primary 6 pupils today at a Taster Day. Students enjoyed a wonderful performance from the Junior Choir. They also got to experience a taste of Sport, Chemistry, Art, Music, Home Economics, and Café Lorette. Thank you to Josephine for accompanying our pupils, Josephine had a chance to relive her secondary school days today! Our Primary 6 pupils really enjoyed themselves! See photographs on the Facebook page.

Sinead at the art and design factory.

Thank you, Sinead Belfast Art Lessons each week was amazing, and all our budding artists hope to work with you very soon again. Sinead taught P1 to P7 for three days this term. Starting with P3 and P4 who created dinosaur illustrations. P1 and P2 to get printing with bubble wrap and poster paint to make beautiful flower prints—lots of colourful petals and happy faces! P7, and P5 classes created their own beach scene project. They learned about beaches and water, recapped on last week's lesson of drawing ellipses and painted a stunning seaside with a bucket and spade, complete with a sky, beach, and seashells.

NSPCC – Speak Out, Stay Safe Workshops

Last week we welcomed ladies from the NSPCC to our school to talk to all the children and to deliver workshops to KS1 and KS2 children. This is an important part of our Safeguarding and Personal Development Programme. Buddy came along to deliver an important message that we all need to 'Speak Out, Stay Safe.' We also discussed trusted adults and who we can talk to when we need help. Thank you very much the children thoroughly enjoyed the sessions!

MFC Summer Link - St. Mary's PS Gortnaghey PE Gear

Scan the QR code directly from the flyer to place orders, alternatively use link connected to the QR code below Link – <https://link.mfc-sports.com/teamwear/code/PFRKAY>

Order Options – Individual payment / Bulk delivery to school before start of term.
Closing – 28/06/2024

ST. MARY'S PS GORTNAGHEY LINK

- Use the sizing guide provided on the link for assistance.
- If you have any further queries, contact customer@link.mfc-sports.com
- Checked it keep track of your order using the confirmation email.

If you enter the amount to order, there will be a new link generated on the 'Your Year Link' section of link.mfc-sports.com on 28th June.

CLOSING DATE 28/06/2024

HOW TO ORDER:

SCAN THIS QR CODE OR PAY ON THE LINK OR Pay later with Klarna.

SELECT YOUR SIZE & INSTYLE

YOUR ORDER WILL BE DELIVERED TO YOU BEFORE THE START OF TERM.

MFC

Primary 4 Communion Party

The boys & girls had some well earned fun at their First Holy Communion celebration party! Well done P4- you are all amazing and have made Miss Doherty a very proud teacher.



Kind regards,

Ciara Walsh

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Next week:

School Dinner Menu - Week 2

Sunday 2 nd June	Do this in memory Mass for primary 4 children, Feast of Corpus Christit
Monday 3 rd June	Irish Club week 4 – KS2 – 3-4pm STRIKE ACTION – No school meals, please send a packed lunch for your child
Tuesday 4 th June	PE Uniform for all pupils (PE with Skill school) Pop Up Play – 1-2pm in the school hall for all children under school age. Skills School After School – FINISHED STRIKE ACTION – No school meals, please send a packed lunch for your child
Wednesday 5 th May	Primary 1 Nurse Recall – the school nurse will have sent a letter with times directly if your child has been recalled. Primary 6 buddies will be visiting Roundabout Nursery to assist with their Sports Day practice. After school music club – P1/2 (all welcome) – 2-3pm with George Murphy After school tin whistle club – P5-7 (all welcome) – 3-4pm with George Murphy, please bring a tin whistle to be used during the club.
Thursday 6 th May	Fan the Flame Mass, primary 7 children, Celtic Park – please bring a lunch and wear full school uniform. PE Uniform for all pupils (PE with Andrena O’Kane) Singing practice for all classes, between 9-12noon with Aoife Mullan GAA club for KS2 – FINISHED
Friday 7 th May	Swimming for KS2
Looking ahead...	
Monday 10 th June	St Patricks Dungiven, Pupils Transition Day
Tuesday 11 th June	Sports Day 1 (weather permitting) - Foundation Stage, P1/2 – 9.30am to 10.30am - KS1, P3/4 – 10.30am to 11.30am - KS2, P5/6/7 – 11.30am to 12.30pm

Wednesday 12 th June	Adoration – 1.15pm Primary 6 taster visit to St. Patricks College, Dungiven
Thursday 13 th June	New Primary 1 intake induction, RISE NI seminar and parents' information afternoon – 1.30pm (Primary 1/2 children will go home at 1pm on this day) St Patricks Maghera, Pupils Transition Day
Friday 14 th June	Final week of KS2 swimming – Fun Day Francis Lagan Finals Night, Owenbeg, 7pm
Monday 17 th June	Castle Cup - hurling and camogie, St. Patrick's Maghera
Wednesday 19 th June	Primary 7 leavers Mass & prizegiving, 9.15am in Gortnaghey Chapel
Thursday 20 th June	Castle Cup - football, St. Patrick's Maghera
Friday 21 st June	End of Year trip – Brunswick Complex
Monday 24 th June	Primary 7's last day – All parents are invited to school at 1.45pm for a guard of honour for our fabulous Primary 7 class, P7 children can go home at 2pm.
Tuesday 25 th June	Sports Day 2
Friday 28 th June	School Closes for Summer Holidays, 11am