



Dear Parents/ Carers.....

As we continue our journey through Lent the classes have been working hard in their fundraising for SCIAF. We have also had very valuable input at Assembly.

Red Nose Day Comic Relief and SCIAF Fundraising



What a wonderful day we had on Friday. Many, many thanks to everyone who baked so creatively for the Bake Sale. There is such a lot of talent! A big thank you to the House and Vice Captains, Mrs Kelly and Caroline Simms, for all of the organisation of the sale and to all of the children and families who donated. Lovely to see everyone making such a big effort and dressing up in red. We raised a Grand total of £530 on the day – a record amount!

We will be able to total all our enterprising ventures by the end of the term and let you know the final total. Many, many thanks to everyone for their generosity.

Parents Consultations



It was very encouraging to see such a good turnout at the recent Consultation times and to have the opportunity to talk to parents, carers and pupils. I hope that you found the sessions informative and helpful. The staff and I received positive feedback, particularly about the snapshot journals and pupil work. Great to see all of our shoeboxes displayed and hear such positive comments about the pupils' creativity

Stations of the Cross

Fr Jock will lead the school through a child friendly Stations of the Cross on Friday 31st March at 9.15am.



P3 First Reconciliation



The P3 Sacramental pupils have been working hard to prepare for their First Reconciliation Service which took place on Monday 13th March in St John's Church. They have been ably assisted by both class teachers, Mrs Buckley and Miss Jack, their parents, Fr Jock and the Sacramental Teams of both parishes. It was lovely to share the special evening with them

Wider Achievements

Totally delighted to say both Erinn (p7b) & Lorcan (p5b) McNally were successful with their Taekwon Do gradings. Erinn is now a red belt and Lorcan a blue belt. Very proud of both children. Congratulations!

Swimming Gala



Good luck to our ten swimmers from P7 for this event taking place on Wednesday 29th March at the Commonwealth Pool. Details of how they performed in the next newsletter. They received high praise from Sandra Morrison (swimming coach) when they tried out for the competitions.

Kids Knit...



There are currently spaces in the Kids Knit Class at St John's – Wednesdays 3.20pm-4.50pm. Email eilidh@knittingforall.co.uk for more information.

Parent Council Meeting

The next meeting takes place at 6.45 pm on Tuesday 28th March in the staffroom. It would be great to have a good turnout, and please note later start time.

Congratulations to our team of Cross Country Runners who truly excelled themselves last Monday. Well done to all of our pupils who participated over the two events, thanks to parent helpers and also to Mrs McIntyre for all her hard work.

P4 Easter Play-

P4 pupils will present their play, to parents/carers and members of the parishes on Friday 31st March at 11am in the hall. The whole school will share the experience in the morning, following input from Fr Jock. By all accounts, rehearsals are going very well and we are all looking forward to the pupils' performance on Friday. Thank you so much to Mrs Morrison and Mrs Moscrop for all of their hard work.

Staffing News

Mrs Aimee Horvath will return to her post, following the birth of her twins Vivian and Ava, on a Wednesday afternoon to teach P6 / 7 cello students. A big thank you to Jackie Baxter who will cover until Aimee's return on 3rd May.

Also Fiona McWilliam, Art Specialist, will return after Easter on a Monday morning and a Wednesday full day. A big thank you to Hannah Deans who has covered Fiona's Maternity leave for a short time, and has done a super job.

ParentPAY

Just a little reminder that the Council are phasing a new system called Parentpay, which has the facility for online payments. We are due to be live during the end of next term. As a result of this, the current system for Parent Mail, will be phased out. More details to follow.

School ends on Friday 31st March at the normal time for the Easter Holidays. We all return on **Tuesday 18th April**. May I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a happy and joyous Easter.

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