



# St. Mary's Primary School

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

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## WELCOME BACK!

A very warm welcome back to school after the Christmas holidays. From what we have already heard Santa Claus has had a very busy time and is probably having a well-earned rest after visiting all of the homes in and around Stewartstown.

Here's hoping for a safe, productive and rewarding term 2.

## Mass during Advent

Congratulations to our readers, altar servers, choir, musicians and Primary 1 class who sang too at mass in our final week of term 1. It really was a beautiful ceremony that celebrated the true essence of the advent season.

Thanks as well to the very talented Traditional Group who entertained Christmas shoppers at Newell Stores

The school received so many positive comments regarding their music!

Well done everyone!

## SCHOOL ENROLMENT

**Enrolment forms for children starting P1 next September are available online from the Education Authority website. Check out the school website for a direct link from the Home Page.**

**If you know of anyone that is considering sending their child to St. Mary's, please ask them to get in touch or again, log onto the school's website so that they can view our school, the facilities and the excellent provision we offer.**

## Election of Parent Member to Board of Governors.

A new Parent Governor will be required for the school's Board of Governors. Any parent at the school is eligible to be nominated. Nomination forms are available in the school porch. Please return completed forms into the box provided by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January.

## BIRTHDAYS

Michael Hughes  
Patrick Devlin  
Odhran Taggart  
Eimear Nixon  
Patrick Duffy  
Lucy Keogh  
Noah McElhatton

## ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

Please ensure that you have kept us up to date with any changes in your child's medication and also ensured that your child's inhalers (in school) are within expiry date.

**If there have been any changes to contact numbers and or details, please do let us know.**

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Many thanks to the local shops, businesses and Parents who sponsored items for the Christmas Raffle for one or both nights of the Lion King Performance. Their continued generosity is always gratefully received

## SHARED EDUCATION

Although a very limited amount of funding this year we will still be ensuring that our partnerships with Ballytrea will continue. This term it's the youngest in school – Mrs M Hamill's class and Mrs Duffy's class who will be learning with one another.

## Work of our School

The theme in school this month is Work of our School. With a New Year and a fresh start we hope that the children will put their best efforts into their school work particularly their Literacy and Numeracy. Mrs Duffy's class will present the assembly on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January to mark the commencement of 'Catholic Schools Week

## Catholic Schools Week: 27<sup>th</sup> Jan- 3<sup>rd</sup> February

The theme of CSW to reflect on the unique contribution that our Catholic schools bring to the community. Look out for some of the Home Learning activities that your child will be involved in. Further details on our website.

## Local Post Primary Schools Visit

The P7 pupils will have the opportunity to listen to pupil's and staff views of their respective post primary schools during visits to our school during January

## Admission to Post Primary Education 2019

Application forms for P7 pupils transferring to their new school in September 2019 will be issued in the week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> January, Please complete this form fully and return it to school by **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January**. The school can then process these forms and forward them to the Education Authority.

## TERM TWO SWIMMING

Swimming lessons begin again on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup>** for **Mr Reilly's** class at a cost of £3.50 per session.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
3rd	Term 2 begins. Trip to Pantomime
	St Joseph's Donaghmore (Talk to P7)
	Holy Trinity talk to P7
	Holy Trinity Taster Day (P7)
25 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Duffy's class assembly
28 <sup>th</sup>	Catholic School's Week commences

## Thanks

The staff would like to thank parents for their beautiful Christmas gifts – too generous by far but really appreciated!

We would also like to pass on our thanks for the many positive comments and the feedback we received following the two school productions. Your kind and constructive words for the work being done are really valued!



# JANUARY SCHOOL MEALS



**IF A CHILD HAS AN ALLERGY PLEASE CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL/UNIT CATERING SUPERVISOR. MENU SUBJECT TO DELIVERIES  
FRESH FRUIT AVAILABLE EACH DAY**

	Week commencing: 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	28 <sup>th</sup> Jan
<b>Monday</b>	School Holiday	Savoury Mince Butchers Burgers Peas/Carrots Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Fruit Sponge Cake and Custard	Irish Stew Fish Fingers Peas/Carrots/Pasta Mashed Pots/Gravy Chocolate Sponge and Custard	Savoury Mince Butchers Burger Peas and Carrots Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Semolina and Fruit	Peppered Chicken and Rice Fish Fingers Peas and Carrots Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Shortbread and Custard
<b>Tuesday</b>	School Holiday	Chicken Curry and Rice Fish Fingers Chips/Mashed Pots/Gravy Beans/Sweetcorn/Gravy Swiss Roll and Chocolate Sauce	Chicken Nuggets Chicken Wrap/Savoury Rice Chips/Mashed Potato Sweetcorn/Savoury/Rice Apple Crumble and Custard	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Chicken Pasta Bake Chips/Mashed Pots Beans/Sweetcorn Pasta/Gravy Shortbread/Fruit and Custard	Home-made Veg or Chicken Soup Selection of Bread Burger and Bap Salad/Onions/Cheese Jelly and Fruit
<b>Wednesday</b>	School Holiday	Roast Chicken/Stuffing Carrots/Broccoli/Pasta Mashed Pots/Gravy Krispie Square and Custard	Roast Turkey and Stuffing Carrots and Broccoli Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Shortbread/Fruit/Custard	Roast Chicken/Stuffing Carrots/Peas/Gravy Pasta/Mashed Pots Jelly and Fruit	Pasta Bolognese Cheese n Tomato Pizza Beans/Peas Chips/Mashed Pots/Gravy Swiss Roll and Custard
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>PANTOMINE BRUNCH</b> Sausage and Bacon Scrambled Egg/Beans/Pancake Flakemeal/Shortbread/Fruit	Home-made Veg and Chicken Soup Selection of Bread Butchers Burger and Bap Salad/Onions/Sauce/Cheese Chocolate Cookie and Fruit	Barbqued Chicken Wraps Cheese n tomato Pizza Beans/Peas/Pasta Chips/Mashed Pots/Gravy Jelly and Fruit/Custard	Chicken Curry and Rice Fish Fingers Peas/Corn/Pasta Mashed Pots/Gravy Chocolate Sponge and Custard	Roast Pork/Stuffing Chilli Chicken Wraps Peas/Turnip Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Krispie Square and Custard
<b>Friday</b>	Chicken Nuggets Tuna Wrap Salad/Pasta Chips/mashed Pots/Gravy Frozen Mousse and Fruit	<b>JANUARY MADNESS</b> Cocktail Sausages Mini Pizza/Chips Pasta/Mixed Salad Artic Roll and Fruit	Home-made Veg or Chicken Soup Steak Burger and Bap Mixed Salad Cheese/Onions/Salad Chocolate Cookie Milk Shake	Hot Dog/Chips Mixed Salad/Mashed Pots Gravy/Pasta Artic Roll/Fruit	Chicken Nuggets Oven Baked Tuna Wrap Salad/Pasta/savoury rice Chips/Mashed Pots/Gravy Ice-Cream Tub and Fruit