



# St. Mary's Primary School

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## MID TERM BREAK

Mid Term Break this year: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Well done to all the P7 children who got their transfer results on Saturday past we are very proud of each and every one of you.

### Stewartstown Harps Gaelic Skills Development

School welcomes Ryan Daly as coach for gaelic skills development each Monday afternoon. Ryan will be a very welcome member of the team at St Mary's. Don't forget underage training takes place in St Mary's Sports Hall from **6-8pm each Friday evening**. Under 6/U 8's from 6-7pm and under 10's 7-8pm. All new members are very welcome. **Join the Fun and Be part of it!**

### New Parent Governor

Congratulations to Mrs Sinead Bleeks who has been nominated as the new Parent Governor for St Mary's P.S. The Governors welcome Sinead to the board and wish her every success in her new role.

### Shared Education

This term starts Mrs M Hamill's and Mrs Duffy's class learning with Ballytrea PS pupils this unfortunately will be the final year of funding for Shared Education but needless to say the school will endeavour to keep up its connections with the local primary schools.

Good luck to the P7 boys who will play their first tournament in Cookstown on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February.



### Birthdays Celebrations in February

**Lisa Mulgrew**

**Callum Taggart  
Clodagh Smith  
James Hughes**

**Patrick Coyle  
Kaiden O'Neill**

**Jake McElhatton  
Rosie Scullion**

### Post Primary Applications

Thanks to all P7 parents who completed their admission to Post Primary school form for their son or daughter. The forms will be sent to the Education Authority this week for processing. It's hard to believe that the P7 pupils are at this final last stage of their Primary Education.

A letter informing you of which post-primary school your child has been placed at will be posted on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019 – arriving with you on **Sat 1<sup>st</sup> June**.

### FEIS OILEAIN AGUS CLUAINÉ

Coalisland Feis will take place this year in **early March (date to be confirmed)** in the Parochial Centre, Coalisland. A request for entrance fee will be issued shortly, the staff in school will prepare the children with their poems and we ask that you hear them recite it every evening.

Up to date information will be posted on their website <http://www.cairdeuineill.org/>

### Trocaire- Healthy Breaks

This year our fundraising effort for Trocaire will commence the second week of March (Wed 13<sup>th</sup> March). This will be in conjunction with our 'Break Time Healthy Snack' sale for three days a week in school- Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Each pupil in every class will be asked to contribute to the sale. Details to follow.

## P1 Health Appraisals

School health team have issued forms to all P1 pupils for their health checks. Please complete in full and take the opportunity to talk to the nurse about any concerns you have regarding speech, sight, behaviour etc.. the school nurse can make referrals based on evidence that you provide. This is a really valuable service to schools and one we would like to use to the fullest.

School Health Team @ St Mary's Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February.

School welcomes Erin Coyle from HTC and Maria Canavan from Ulster University for work experience – here's hoping they enjoy their time at St. Mary's.

## Internet Safety Day

Internet Safety day is on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February**. As part of this, all pupils will take part in an E-Safety lesson and class discussion. The purpose of this day will be to add emphasis to our on-going work regarding electronic/E safety for children.

**Check out resources on the Parent's section of the school website.**

## DATES FOR THE FEBRUARY DIARY

Date	Event
1 <sup>st</sup>	Cuman na mBunscol boys at Cookstown
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mrs Duffy's Class Assembly
5 <sup>th</sup>	Shared Lesson no.1 Mrs M Hamill's class at St Mary's
12 <sup>th</sup>	Shared Lesson no.2 Mrs M Hamill's class at Ballytra PS
13-14	P1 School Nurse - Health Appraisals
15 <sup>th</sup>	Tom Sweeny Entertainer
18-22	Mid Term Break
26 <sup>th</sup>	Shared Lesson no.1 Mrs Duffy's class at St Mary's
26 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Gala
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Shared Lesson no. 2 Mrs Duffy's class @ Ballytra Mary's PS

## Erasmus+

Mrs Hamill will be travelling to Brussels in March ... no not to work out another solution for Brexit but to take part in professional development hosted by Erasmus+. Watch the website to see if she got to see a politician or two at work!

## FEBRUARY SCHOOL MEALS

Week commencing	4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	25 <sup>th</sup> Feb
<b>Monday</b>	Savoury Mince Butcher Burgers Peas and Carrots Mashed Pots/Gravy  Semolina and Fruit	Savoury Mince BB Chicken Drumsticks Mash Potato Pasta Peas & Carrots Chocolate muffin cake & Custard	MID TERM BREAK	Cottage Pie Butchers Burgers Mixed Vegetables Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy  Shortbread/Fruit/Custard
<b>Tuesday</b>	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Barbequed Chicken and Noodles Peas /Corn/Salad Chips/Mashed Pots/Chips Apple Crumble and Custard	Peppered Chicken and Rice Fish Fingers Carrots and Peas Chips/Mashed Pots and Gravy Swiss Roll and Chocolate Sauce	MID TERM BREAK	Cheese n Tomato Pizza Chicken Pasta Bake Sweetcorn/Peas/Pasta Chips/Mashed Pots/Gravy Swiss Roll and Custard
<b>Wednesday</b>	Pasta Bolognaise/ Fish Fingers Mixed Vegetables Mash Potato & Gravy Egg Sponge & Custard	Roast Turkey and Stuffing Carrots and Peas Mashed Pots /Pasta and Gravy Krispie Square and Custard	MID TERM BREAK	Chicken Curry and Rice Fish in Crumbs Peas/Carrots Mashed Pots/ Gravy Fruit Sponge and Custard
<b>Thursday</b>	Roast Chicken & Stuffing Cauliflower & Broccoli Mash Potato & Oven Dry Roast Potato Pasta & Gra Chocolate Cookie and Custard	<b>VALENTINE DAYS LUNCH</b> Cupids Arrows (Hot Dogs/Tuna Rolls) Tossed Salad Pasta Chips/Pots/Gravy	MID TERM BREAK	Home-made Veg or Chicken Soup Butchers Burger n Bap Selection of Bread Salad/Cheese/Onions Jelly and Fruit
<b>Friday</b>	<b>SCRAMBLED FRIDAY</b> Cocktail Sausage and Bacon Scrambled Eggs/Beans/Toast Diced Fries  Frozen yoghurt and Fruit	Home-Made Veg and Chicken Soup Butchers Burgers and Bap or Tuna Bap Selection of Bread Cheese Onions Salad Jelly and Fruit	MID TERM BREAK	Chicken Bites Tuna Wraps Chips/Pasta/Mashed Pots/Gravy Mixed Salad Chocolate Cookie and Milk Shake

Milk & Water available daily. If a Child has an allergy please contact the Principal/Unit Catering Supervisor