



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 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 (from 7th Jan)

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.

Crazy week in St Marys: 13th - 17th January

The school council thought that a fun way to raise money for school funds was to have a 'crazy week' in St Marys. Check out the diary for specific dates and crazy events...all decided by our school council. Each day costs 50p, a total of £2.50 for the week. It's going to be a crazy time!!!

BIRTHDAYS

Grace Laverty
Rionagh Hagan
Odhran Bennett
Noah Donnelly
Aoife Hagan
Donncha O'Neill
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 let us know.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Many thanks to the local shops, businesses and staff who sponsored items for the Christmas Raffle. Your continued generosity is always gratefully received. Thank you to all the parents and friends who bought tickets and congratulations to all the winners. The total amount raised was a fantastic £653.

SHARED EDUCATION

Thanks to a limited amount of funding this year we are able to ensure that our partnerships with Ballytrea will continue. A number of school visits and trips have been organised. Dates will be shared in the monthly newsletters.

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, Numeracy and ICT.

Catholic Schools Week: 26th Jan - 2nd February

The theme of CSW is to reflect on living in harmony with God's creation. Look out for some of the Home Learning activities that your child will be involved in.

Religious Education

Following a coordinators meeting with Fr Ryan McAleer, the Religious Inspector for our area, Mrs Duffy has created a new RE policy which promotes the catholic ethos of our school. In addition to this each class will attend the 10am Mass on the last Friday of the month.

Admission to Post Primary Education 2020

Application forms for P7 pupils transferring to their new school in September 2020 will be issued in January, Please complete this form fully and return it to school by **Wednesday 29th January**. The school can then process these forms and forward them to the Education Authority.

TERM TWO SWIMMING

Swimming lessons begin again on **Monday 13th** for Mr Reilly's class at a cost of £4:00 per session.

Mrs M Hamill will not be returning in Term 2. We send her our 'Get Well Soon' wishes and welcome Mr. McGahan to the P1/P2 class.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
6th	Whole school mass
13th	P6/P7 Swimming
13 th	CRAZY WEEK No homework day
14th	Pyjama day
15th	Odd sock/tights day
16th	No uniform day
17th	Mad hair day
21 st	P4/P5 Shared Education
26th	Catholic schools Week
28 th	P2/P3 Shared Education
30 th	School Council meeting
31 st	P6/P7 Mass

Thanks

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



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

EDUCATION AUTHORITY (SOUTHERN REGION) CATERING SERVICES

	Week com: 6 th Jan	Week com: 13 th Jan	Week com: 20 th Jan	Week com; 27 th Jan
Monday	Savoury Mince Fish Fingers Peas and Corn Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Shortbread Fruit and Custard	Pasta bolognaise and Garlic Bread Butchers Burger Carrots & peas Mashed potatoes & gravy	Fish Fingers Lasagne Peas and Carrots Pasta/Mashed Pots and Gravy Chocolate Sponge and	Savoury Mince Fish Fingers Peas and Carrots Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Semolina and Fruit
Tuesday	Butchers Burger and Bap Tuna Wrap Baked Beans/Peas/Gravy Chips /Mashed Pots/Pasta Chocolate Muffin Cake	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Tuna Wraps Peas & sweetcorn Chips & mashed potatoes	Peppered Chicken and Rice Cheese and Tomato Pizza Peas and Corn Chips /Mashed Pots/Gravy Jelly and Fruit	Pepperoni or Cheese and Tomato Pizza Tuna Wraps Peas and Corn/Pasta Chips/Mashed Pots/Gravy Swiss Roll and Custard
Wednesday	Chicken Curry and Rice Fish Fingers Carrots/Peas Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Swiss Roll and Custard	Chicken Curry Rice Fish Fingers/Salmon Bites, Beans/Peas Mashed Pots/Pasta Gravy Jelly and Fruit	Steak Burger and Bap Barbecued Chicken and Noodles Beans and Peas Mashed Pots /Pasta/Gravy Shortbread and Custard	Roast Chicken/Stuffing or Chicken Chilli Wraps Carrots/Peas/Gravy Pasta/Mashed Pots Chocolate Sponge and Custard
Thursday	Roast chicken & stuffing Chilli Chicken Wraps Carrots & peas Mashed potatoes & gravy Rice & pasta Rice Krispie square custard	Roast Turkey & Stuffing Barbecued Chicken Wraps /Gravy/Pasta Carrots and Broccoli Mashed pots Chocolate Cookie and Custard	Baked Gammon Chilli Chicken Wraps Broccoli and Carrots Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Rice Krispie Square and Custard	Home-made Veg and Chicken Soup Butcher Burger and Bap Selection of Bread Onions/Salad/Cheese Jelly and Fruit
Friday	NEW YEAR LUNCH Cocktail Sausages Mini Pizza Salad Bar/Pasta Diced Cubes Frozen Mouse and Fruit	Home-made Veg or Chicken Soup Selection of bread Hot Dog Artic Roll and Fruit	JANUARY SPECIAL Cocktail Sausages Mini Pizza Mini Chicken Wraps Salad Bar/Pasta Diced Cubes Ice-cream Tub and Fruit	Chicken Nuggets Chicken Pasta Bake Corn /Beans Chips/Pasta/Mashed Pots/Gravy Chocolate Cookie and Milkshake

