## ST FRANCIS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# News Sheet



Easter 2019

#### HAPPY EASTER

As we prepare for Easter it is time to give a brief review of the term. All classes are participating in the Shared Education project with activities in both schools and visits to other venues. Unfortunately, the P7 trip to Slieve Gullion (weather) and the P6 day in Whyte's Estate (maintenance) will have to be rearranged. Congratulations to the Credit Union and GAA quiz teams who finished runners up in their respective competitions; the GAA team qualified for the Ulster final. The Primary 7s took part in the Bee Safe project in Banbridge while the Primary 5's participated in the Fire Safety awareness training.

Due to essential maintenance work in Whyte's Estate, the Walk for Trocaire has been cancelled. Classes are organising their own fundraising activities for **Trocaire**.

Thanks to all who have supported the Down Primary Schools Draw; outstanding tickets should be returned to school by Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May.

Best wishes to Liam Devlin (St Mary's) and Anna Welsh (Stranmillis) who have completed their teaching practice with us.

Congratulations to the Primary 3 children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Primary 7 children who had their Service of Light. Thanks to their teachers, Classroom Assistants, Fr Corr and Kathleen Kearney for their great work.

Letters have been issued for Term 3 after schools GAA, soccer, drama club and ukulele activities.

#### Book Look: Your Child's Books

On Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April your child will bring home his/her Literacy and numeracy exercise books. You can go through these books with your child and comment on your child's work. The books should be returned on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May.

to the PTA and the Primary 7 children who organised the **Bring & Buy Sale**, the parents who contributed items and all who supported the sale which raised over £688.

### **Board of Governors:**

The first meeting of the new Board of Governors is on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm. Thanks to all who have agreed to serve as a Governor. The members of the Board of Governors are:

Trustees: Fr Tony Corr Maeve O'Neill

Martin Devine Alison Lennon

DENI Gary Reilly

EA Julie Simpson Eamonn Devlin

Parent Rep Maria O'Neill Teacher Rep Mrs Kathy Trainor

We would like to put on record our thanks for the outgoing governors for their dedication to the school.

**Admissions** – Letters regarding admission to Primary 1 will be delivered to parents on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May.

**Primary** 7 – Pupils will be notified of their Post-Primary schools on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June.

**School photographer** Anyone wishing to purchase their child's photograph should return the envelope which you received by Wed 17<sup>th</sup> April.

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School closes on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 11:30; NO buses will operate and NO breaks will be served from the kitchen on Thursday. All outstanding dinner money needs to be paid by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

#### Maintenance

Work to replace the facia and spouting will start on 5<sup>th</sup> May.

Please observe all safety notices during this work!

#### Dates for Your Diary - Term 3

Monday 29th April Term

Term 3 commences

Tuesday 30th April

Board of Governors meeting

PTA meeting at 7.30pm

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

**School closed - Elections** 

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May

School closed - Bank Holiday

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May

<u>Confirmation</u> at 6.00pm. P1 placement letters issued

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

European elections (Closed)
Staff Training (School closed)

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May

**Bank Holiday** 

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May

Staff Training (School closed)

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June – First Communion at 11.00am Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June – school closes at 11.30am.