St Eugene's PS, Victoria Bridge Newsletter



June 2022

We have a YES!!!!

Thank you to all parents who took the time to vote in the recent parental ballot on transformation to Integrated Status facilitated by Civica. Civica reported the results of the ballot and they are as follows: an overall turnout of 73.2% with 87.3% voting YES. The response to the results have been incredibly positive and have generated such an interest in our school. Our 14 PI places for September 2022 have now been allocated and a 'wait list' is now in place. We have 7 new children joining our Reception class and we also look forward to welcoming a new child to our P4 class. Induction sessions are well underway for the new children joining our school.



End of Year Mass.

Fr Canning will celebrate our End of Year Mass on Friday 24th of June at 1.30pm in our school. This Mass will be held in memory of Brian Conlan who sadly passed away in December. Brian served on our Board of Governors for 24 years and was extremely dedicated to our school. Brian's family will be in attendance at the Mass. During the Mass we will pray for our P7 leavers. The Mass will be followed by a presentation and celebration of our P7 class which Mr Donnelly and Miss McElhatton are hard at work preparing for. Tea and refreshments will be served afterwards. The P7 children have each received four invites for members of their family to attend the event. P7 will begin their summer holidays when the event ends, we wish these children the very best as the next chapter of their lives begins.

P7 Mystery Trip

On Wednesday 22nd of June our P7 Leavers will be away on a special trip. Permission will go out to parents via text and we ask that you do not tell the children the location of their trip as we would like it to be a surprise for them.

Telephoning the Office

Please be advised that Mrs Gallagher does not start work until 9.30am, therefore, there is no one available to take calls before this time. Other staff are tied up in morning briefings and other duties. If you are calling before 9.30am a recorded message can be left on the answer phone.

New School Year

You will have received your calendar for 2022/2023 on the back page of the May Newsletter. A reminder of dates for the new term:

P2-P7 return on the 30th & 31st of August for two half day transition sessions. School will end at 12.30 on these days and no lunch will be served. Normal school hours resume for P2-P7 from the 1st of September. P1 children have been notified of their times on their welcome letters.

Important Dates

 $15^{\text{th}}-23^{\text{rd}}$ |une - P7 Transition & Resilience Programme.

16th June – final 2.15 club for P1/2.

22nd June – P7 Leavers Trip.

22nd June – 2nd Induction Session for children beginning Reception & P1.

24th June – End of Year Mass @ 1.30pm. P7 finish for summer.

30th June - TERM ENDS AT 12PM.



Above: P4 First Communion Children



Above: Fluffy the lamb visits St Eugene's PS



Above: KS2 Gaelic Team competing at an out of school blitz in Dromore. Below: Shared Education trip to Gortin Glens.



May & June have been busy!!!

Tramway tales, Gaelic Coaching, First Communion, Relax Kids, End of Year Testing, Parental Ballot, Induction Days, School Trips, Sports Day, Fan the Flame, Report Writing, Shared Education to name but a few of the recent activities happening here at St Eugene's PS. One thing for sure is our boys and girls have not been short on entertainment. Thank you to everyone who has supported and contributed to these events. A particular thank you to all who helped make our Sports Day such a successful event. We had a lovely afternoon and raised an incredible £1817 for school funds.



End of Year Pupil Profile Reports

Teachers have been hard at work writing our end of year reports. P7 will receive their reports on the day of their leavers event (Friday 24th June). A full P7 handover has been carried out by Mr Donnelly to the Year Head of the Post Primary Schools. All other year groups will receive their reports on Monday 27th of June. Children from P3-P7 completed standardised assessments and the results of these are recorded on the top section of your child's report. You will be able to discuss these scores in greater detail during Parent-Teacher meetings in the autumn term. Overall we are delighted with the 2022 results at St Eugene's PS with 75% achieving results which were 'expected' or higher than expected in English and an impressive 86% achieving results which were expected or higher than expected in Maths - well done everyone, a great effort particularly after covid recovery!

End of Term Thank You!

21/22 has been another challenging year with the pandemic and we are so proud of how we have been able to operate as close to normal as possible. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our amazing children, parents, staff and governors for such a successful academic year. Together we have achieved so much and made so many fantastic memories to cherish forever. Have a safe and enjoyable summer break! Miss Gormley