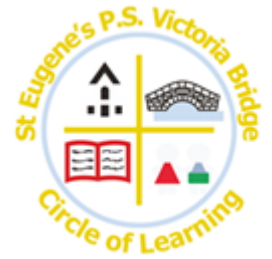


St Eugene's PS, Victoria Bridge

Newsletter

May 2023



Journey to Integrated Education!

Our Case for Change has now reached the pre-publication stage with the Education Authority and can be accessed on the following link:

<https://www.eani.org.uk/school-management/area-planning/pre-publication-consultations>

Surrounding schools have been invited by the EA to make comment on the proposal.

Annual Sports Day — Friday 2nd of June.

Our Sports Day will take place on Friday 2nd of June from 1pm. Please note that Reception children will stay on in school on this day. The races will start at 1pm sharp and will be followed by the stalls running from 2pm until 4pm. Children on the premises after 3.15pm must be supervised by an adult. Don't worry about cooking as our popular BBQ will be back, tea, coffee and cakes will be available, as well as the other popular stalls.



The main prize draw will take place at 3.30pm. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased from Mrs Gallagher. There is a range of fantastic prizes including a Medicare Hamper, gift vouchers, spirits and much more!

We are appealing for donations for the draw and the stalls. If you can donate prizes for the lucky dip, bottles for the bottle stall, cakes and sweet goods or larger prizes/vouchers for the main draw these would be greatly appreciated. Our Sports is our main fundraiser and at a time when school funding has been hit hard, this year the money raised will be more important than ever.

Finally, tell your friends, family, and neighbours to come along and enjoy a fantastic afternoon in the heart of the village!



Reminders!!!

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.

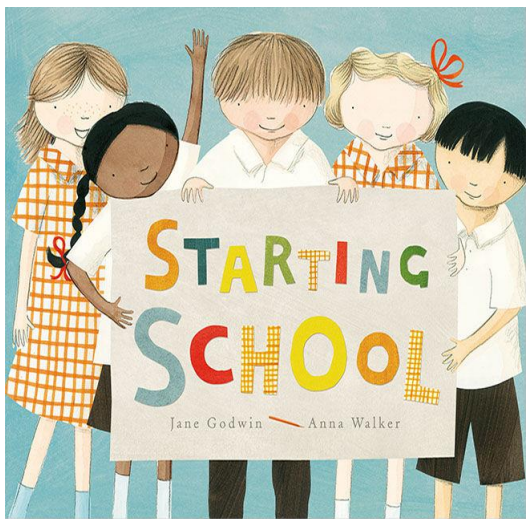
After School Clubs.

We are delighted to be able to offer a range of after school provision throughout this term. The 2.15 Club is available Monday to Thursday for all children in P1/2. A range of additional clubs are available to all children from P2 and up until 4pm each day.

	2.15 — 3.15	Until 4pm
Monday	2.15 Club	Film Club
Tuesday	2.15 Club	Lego Club
Wednesday	2.15 Club	Art Club
Thursday	2.15 Club	Sport Club
Friday	Coding Club	-

Important Dates:

- Friday 26th May — Report Writing Day (school closed to pupils)
- Monday 29th May - Bank Holiday school closed.
- 1st June — Induction Day at Castlederg High School for P7 transferring.
- 2nd June — Sports Day.
- 5th June - Induction Day at Holy Cross College for P7 transferring.
- 8th June — Fan the Flame Mass at Celtic Park for P7.
- 8th June — Induction Meeting for parents of children starting St Eugene' s PS in 23/24 at 2.30pm.
- 15th June — Induction Session for children starting St Eugene' s PS in 23/24 at 2.30pm.
- 15th June — P3 -P7 End of Year Trip.
- 26th June — End of Year Reports issued to parents.
- 26th June — P7 Leavers Trip.
- 28th June — Leavers Assembly at 10am
- 30th June - Summer Holidays at 12noon.



Children Starting St Eugene's PS in 2023/2024.

You should all have received a letter in the post from our school to advise you of the arrangements for our Induction Programme. The dates are included below:

- **Thursday 8th June** — Induction Meeting for parents of children starting P1 and Reception in 2023/2024.
- **Thursday 15th June** — Induction Session for parents and children starting P1 and Reception in 2023/2024.

If you haven't done so already, please email lgormley873@c2kni.net to confirm your attendance at the Induction Sessions. We are excited to welcome you to our Circle of Learning and will be with you every step of the way to make the transition to our school a smooth and happy one!

Congratulations!

Well done and congratulations to the children from P4 who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday 20th of May. You should all be very proud of yourselves. Thank you to Fr Canning for a beautiful Mass and to Mrs Connolly for preparing the children so well. Thank you to all those at home too for helping to prepare the children for their special day.



Well Done to our P7 Gaelic Team.

Huge congratulations to our P7 Gaelic Football Team who competed so impressively at both the Canon Breen Memorial Cup and the Cumann na mBunscol Blitz earlier this month. The boys and girls played extremely well throughout the events, showing great skill, teamwork, and resilience to battle against some top teams.



Foundation Stage Litter Pick!

Well done to Miss Gormley's class for carrying out a litter pick on our school grounds ahead of our annual Sports Day. The children enthusiastically scoured the grounds for litter and have the place looking so tidy. Well done boys and girls, you are well on your way to becoming members of our Eco-Committee in the very near future!



Polytunnel Progress.

After a large leak under the polytunnel we are delighted that the repair works are now complete. The children will once again be able to tend to all of the lovely vegetables they planted under the careful direction of Kelly Woods. There has been some great growth in recent weeks, and we thank our caretaker Sharon for tending to the crops whilst the area was out of bounds to the children. We hope to harvest the crops before the end of term!

Holidays During Term Time.

Please be aware that the Education Welfare Officer is concerned that several families have booked holidays during school term. Children should not be taken out of school for holidays at any point during the academic year. The Welfare Officer will continue to monitor attendance and can view when children are recorded as not being in school due to a holiday. We ask for your co-operation in fulfilling your legal obligation that children attend school.



