



'Being the best that we can be'

'Friday Note'

Friday 3 February 2017

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Looking back...

Transfer Interviews

It's been a busy few weeks for me meeting all of our Primary 7 parents to complete their transfer form. Thank you to all of you for coming along ...it was lovely to catch up with you all and discuss our choices for post-primary school. Next week I will forward all of the completed forms to the EA for processing. Then it's a long wait until 20 May 2017!

First Trust Banking

Our next banking day is next Wednesday 8 February. Please send lodgement books in with your child to leave at the office for collection. Keep saving!

Celebrating Maths week here in St. Joseph's!

Next Friday, 10th February is our 100th Day of School. (I know it's hard to believe!)

The 100th Day of School is a great way to have fun with the number 100 whilst exploring counting, sorting, patterns, measuring and lots of other maths skills and concepts. We are going to mark this by having a Maths Week to raise the profile of Maths in St Joseph's.

Throughout the week teachers will be promoting maths in their classroom just to make things more special! Why not celebrate maths at home next week through mental maths games, board games etc!

This month we have been developing the 'Finding all Possibilities' problem solving type. All classes have carried out at least 2 of these types of problems in January...why not ask your child to explain it a little for you this week.

Literacy Update

Next week Miss McAnerney will meet pupils from each class in the school to talk about their learning experiences in Literacy...how they learn, what they learn etc. This is part of our on-going monitoring and evaluating process here in school. We call it 'Pupil Voice'. We will let you know the outcomes in a few weeks.

Celebrating Catholic Schools' Week

Unfortunately the weather was against us on both days this week when we tried to celebrate Mass for Catholic Schools' Week...but it didn't dampen our spirits here in school. Classes celebrated St. Brigid's day on Wednesday 1 February by making St. Brigid's crosses and Miss Clarke's class delivered lovely assemblies to all pupils to celebrate the week!

February Newssheet

The February Newssheet will be out on Monday...it's a busy month so have a look and see what's happening.



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Looking ahead...

Monday 6 February 2017	Tuesday 7 February 2017	Wednesday 8 February 2017	Thursday 9 February 2017	Friday 10 February 2017
<p>Mrs Fleming: Transfer Interviews</p> <p>Mathematics: Problem Solving Training for all staff at 3pm</p>	<p>Safer Internet Day</p> <p>12 P7s to Leisureplex for indoor athletics</p> <p>P4 at pottery</p> <p>P7 representatives at Road Safety Quiz</p> <p>Mrs Fleming at CCMS Meeting in St. Michael's Primary School</p> <p>Mrs Fleming: Transfer Interviews</p> <p>Mrs Gorman: Beginning Teacher Active Learning Course: SUB: Mrs Loughran</p> <p>Mrs Gould: ICT Training for classroom assistants and Internet Safety Assemblies for all pupils</p> <p>P7 Service of Light at 7pm in school assembly hall</p>	<p>Mrs Fleming at CCEA all day</p> <p>P5 at tennis in Wallace Park</p> <p>Miss McAnerney monitoring literacy through pupil voice SUB: Ms Gorman</p> <p>Mrs O'Hare VP Professional Development Day: Miss McNally</p> <p>House Meeting for P4 – P7 pupils</p>	<p>P5 at Feltmaking workshop Mrs Gartland's 9.30am and Mr Reid's at 10.30am</p>	<p>100th day at school: Lots of mathematical celebrations</p> <p>Primary 1 Valentine's Day celebrations at 1pm in their classrooms...not to be missed</p> <p>Mrs Fleming at Education Authority AM</p> <p>Mrs Gartland at coaching course SUB: Miss McNally</p> <p>Mrs Kitt absent: SUB: Ms Gorman</p>

Have a great weekend. See you all on Monday.
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