

# 'Being the best that we can be'

St. Joseph's Primary School 42 Castle Street Lisburn BT274XE

'Friday Note' P3 and P4 Sport's Day Friday 26 May 2017

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Another great day for P3 and P4 Sports Day on Wednesday...the children excelled themselves in their sporting ability and you mums and dads weren't too bad either! Fingers crossed for a good day next Thursday for Key Stage 2!

#### More success for St. Joseph's!

We are always delighted to take part in the Lisburn and Castlereagh's Annual Schools' Arts Competition. This competition is spread across schools in the Lisburn and Castlereagh Council areas so there are lots more schools taking part. However we are delighted to have winners in both writing categories:

#### Primary School Short Story Competition Prizewinners 2017

**Highly Commended** Lexie Williamson P3 P6 1st Prize Ella Maloret

#### Primary School Poetry Competition Prizewinners 2017

1st Prize Katie Longley P5

2nd Prize Sofia Enrique Gascon

All award winners will have their prizes presented at a Gala Awards Ceremony on Thursday 8 June the Island Hall, Lisburn. Well done to all our winners! We are so proud of you!

#### **Celebrating Creative Voices!**

Creative Voices is St. Joseph's very own unique, individual and tailored programme developed by Ms Therese Gorman. Communication skills are an important part of both personal and curriculum development. So, once a week 40 children in small groups work creatively on finding **their** voices. They have produced some breathtaking, inspiring art and will showcase their work at our annual Creative Voices Exhibition. Please come and applaud their AWESOME ART.

#### **Creative Voices Exhibition** 8.15 - 9.30, , 2.00-4.30 Tuesday 30th May to Tuesday 13th June

#### St. Joseph's is getting greener and greener!

Well done to the Eco Team and Mrs Hunter who have achieved a bronze award from the Woodland's Trust for work carried out this year.

Herbs and Vegetables for Sale:. Our Eco Schools have been working hard today selling their produce in the back car park - The Eco team will use the money they earn to buy more produce for our school garden. The children in Cool Kids sampled some of our own school rhubarb jam. Thank you to those who supported the Eco

**Butterfly Garden:** You may have noticed the area beside Cool Kids is looking fantastic. The children have planted flowers and plants that attract butterflies - so this will make a lovely butterfly garden.

Kitchen Utensils: We have a wonderful new mud kitchen and seated area outside the P2 mobiles. If you have any unwanted kitchen utensils (plastic and suitable for young children please give them to your child's class teacher). This area is beautiful and will be used well for outdoor play.

#### Thank you!

Thank you to Ciara Johnson's Auntie Louise who is a past pupil of the school who came in to talk to the Primary Three children about her job as an architect. The children loved this talk and learned lots about their topic 'Houses and Homes. '





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#### PTA News Summer Fair:

Our annual Summer Fair this year is on **Saturday 10th June** from **11am-2pm**. The PTA have been busy planning the event already, but they need your help!We are appealing for items for the **Tombola**, **Bottle Stall and Bric a Brac**. If you have anything that you would like to donate please send it in to your child's teacher. Start collecting! Any donations for ballot prizes would also be greatly appreciated.

#### **Fun Run:**

As you know our PTA are entering a team in the Lisburn Fun Run this year on Wednesday 21st June. Information, application forms and a sponsorship sheet was sent home with each child last week. If you are interested in taking part in this great event please return an application form and entry fee (£7.50 per person) for **each** family member taking part by Friday 2nd June. Remember that all children **must** be accompanied by an adult. All application forms and money should be put in an envelope marked for the attention of the PTA.

A Just Giving page for fundraising has also been set up. Please share it with your family and friends! <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/stjosephs-pta">https://www.justgiving.com/stjosephs-pta</a>

### **May Mass for Mary:**

During the month of May we take the opportunity to honour Mary. P4-7 will attend a special Mass in St Patrick's Church at 10am on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April, weather permitting, to remember Mary. The Mass will be led by our Primary 4 children who made their First Holy Communion on 13<sup>th</sup> May. The P4 children will wear their First Holy Communion clothes to school on the day of the Mass. During Mass each child in P4 will take part in a Marian Procession where they will present a flower to Our Lady.

This is a lovely celebration for our school and parish community, so please come and join us if you can.

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Monday 29	Tuesday 30 May 2017	Wednesday 31	Thursday 1 June	Friday 2 June 2017
May 2017		May 2017	2017	
School Closed	May Mass in honour of	P1 trip to farm	P5 – P7 Sports Day	After school activities
for Bank	Mary at 10am in St.		starts at 9.30am	finish today
Holiday	Patrick's.	P7 Fishing trip		-
		for Group 1 with		PTA Fun Run
	P7 tennis.	PSNI 9am –	ASCET with P2	<b>Application Forms</b>
		1pm	Miss Beatty's class	due in today
		_	11am – 12noon	_
	P4 – P7 Healthy planning			
	session 2.15pm – 4pm	P1 – P3 Healthy		
		Planning		
	Girls netball tournament @	session 2.15pm		
	Wallace Prep	– 4pm		
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	P1 Induction Meeting for	Transfer Club		
	parents of P1 September	Last one this		
	2017 at 6pm	year		

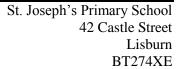
Don't forget to follow us on Twitter if you can @stjosephlisburn. We now have over 380 followers! Thank you. Enjoy the beautiful weather over the bank holiday weekend and see you all on Tuesday. Pauline Fleming





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