



ST BRENDAN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

August 2026 Newsletter

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A Note from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year! I hope you've all had a lovely summer.

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back and see our school filled with smiling faces, stories from the summer holidays, and the excitement of a new school year. A very special welcome goes to our new Primary 1 children and their families. We know that starting school is a big milestone, and we hope you have already begun to feel part of our school family. The children have made a fantastic start, and we're looking forward to watching them grow, learn and flourish with us.

The start of a new school year brings lots of excitement, new friendships and opportunities for learning. We're looking forward to another year of making memories filled with laughter, kindness, learning and achievement.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for working in partnership with us. We're very lucky to have such a wonderful school community and look forward to sharing another fantastic year with you.

With warm regards

Miss Michelle McShane

PARENT COUNCIL



We will have our Parent Council AGM on Tuesday 25th August at 10am in the school.

Our Parent Council plays an important role in our school family, helping to support school life and ensure that the views of parents/carers are heard. We'd love to welcome new members this session, so if you would like to get involved, please come along on the 25th. You'll be very welcome!



STAFF UPDATE

We welcome some new staff to our St Brendan's family. Miss Kirkwood has joined us as class teacher of Primary 6 on Mondays to Wednesdays, Miss McGonigal has joined Primary 3 as class teacher full time, and Mrs Ali is our English as Additional Language teacher who will be working with us on Thursdays.



Mrs Greenan has been successful at interview for the post of Acting Depute Head Teacher in another school within the authority, and has recently taken up this position. We wish her lots of luck and success in her new role!



Mrs Stewart who has been Support for Learning Worker in St Brendan's for the last few years has decided to leave her post. We wish her good luck and lots of happiness for the future!

Good Luck



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GENTLE REMINDERS

Lost Property

if your child accidentally brings an item home which belongs to someone else, please return this to school as soon as possible.

Please label all of your child's belongings. This is extremely helpful in ensuring nothing gets lost.



We are an Allergy Aware school.



We are committed to providing a safe, inclusive environment for all pupils, including those with allergies. We ask that children do not share food or drinks. We kindly ask that parents/carers check ingredients of snacks given to children for school.

No snacks containing nuts are permitted in school. Thank you for your support in helping us be Allergy Aware.

THE SCHOOL DAY

Soft Start is offered for all pupils from 8.45am. Children can come into school at this time each day and will be welcomed by staff as they arrive. Pick up time is 3pm and parents/carers are welcome into the yard to collect their children. All pupils should enter and leave the school via the playground unless alternative arrangements have been agreed.

Please call the school office if you are going to be late collecting your child/children.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Wearing school uniform helps our children to feel part of the school community and creates a sense of belonging. I kindly ask parents and carers to ensure that children come to school each day in full school uniform, with all items clearly labelled. When we have our school badge on our clothes, it makes us proud to show that we're part of the St Brendan's family. No branded joggies, shorts, hoodies or leggings are permitted.

Even on PE days, pupils should come to school in uniform and they will be able to get changed before gym lessons. Support will always be given to children whenever needed.

We have a range of freshly dry cleaned uniform in school. Please feel comfortable to let us know if we can provide any for your child. We're always happy to help!

Your support with this is greatly appreciated.



SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION



PLEASE FEEL FREE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US AT ANY TIME USING THE DETAILS BELOW.

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STAFFING SESSION 26-27

Acting Head Teacher	Miss McShane
Depute Head Teacher	Mr Tunney
Principal Teachers	Mrs Robertson Ms Sinton (Monday-Thursday)
Primary 1	Mrs Blair (Monday-Wednesday) Miss Yuill (Wednesday-Friday)
Primary 2/1	Mrs Arcari
Primary 2	Ms Sinton (Monday-Wednesday) Mrs Kearns (Thursday-Friday)
Primary 3	Miss McGonigal
Primary 4	Miss Linden
Primary 5	Miss McFarlane
Primary 6	Miss Kirkwood (Monday-Wednesday) Mrs McKay (Thursday-Friday)
Primary 7	Miss Tornow



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WELCOME BACK WELLBEING TREAT!

The start of term is always a busy time as everyone settles back into the routines of school, so we're starting the new session with something special!

We'll welcome M&M Theatrical Productions to school on September 3rd to perform The Wizard of Oz.

This will be an opportunity for our children and staff to come together, have fun, enjoy some laughter and celebrate being back together as a school family. Wellbeing is about more than just learning and working hard - it's also about making time for joy, connection, and creating happy memories together. What better way to start the new school year than with a little bit of panto magic!



ROAD SAFETY

The safety of children coming in and out of school is very important, particularly near the roads. Please be mindful of where children are dropped off and picked up to ensure it is safe for them. Please continue to support us with road safety.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We will send out a calendar of school events shortly so that you can add important dates to your diary. Throughout the year there will be opportunities for you to come into school and share in children's learning so we'd like to give you as much notice as possible to enable you to do this. Working in partnership with you is important to us.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

September Weekend

Friday 25th September and Monday 28th September 2026

Inservice Day

Friday 9th October

October Week

Monday 12th to Friday 16th October 2026

Children return to school on Monday 19th October 2026



Christmas Break

Schools close at 2.30 pm on Friday 18th December 2026

School closed Monday 21st December 2026 to Monday 4th January 2027

School reopens on Tuesday 5th January 2027