



St Brendan's Primary School Newsletter September/October 2026

A NOTE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents/Carers

What a busy and exciting start to the new school year we've had! Already, there's been lots of interesting learning opportunities across all classes, and our children have shown great enthusiasm for learning new knowledge and skills. It's been lovely to see our new Primary 1 children settle so well into school life in St Brendan's. Thank you to our brilliant staff team and our fantastic pupils who have helped to make their transition into school such a happy and welcoming one, and to our new parents and carers for all their support.

October is the month of Our Lady which is a special time in school when we'll be remembering Mary and her example of faith and love. These are two of our school values, and we encourage children to think about how they can put them into practice each day, showing love and kindness to others and keeping faith at the heart of our school family.

Finally, I'd like to wish all our families a happy and restful long September weekend and October break when it arrives. Thank you for your continued support and for being an important part of our St Brendan's family.

With best wishes

Miss McShane

DATES FOR THE DIARY

September weekend - School closed to pupils on 25th and 28th September

Sacramental Enrolment Mass
Sunday 4th October, St Brendan's Church, 10.30am

Parents' Evening
Thursday 8th October

Inservice Day - School closed to pupils on Friday 9th October

October break - School closed to pupils on Monday 12th to Friday 16th October

School reopens on Monday 19th October

Halloween fun day in class - 30th October. Pupils can come to school in fancy dress on this day

SACRAMENTAL ENROLMENT MASS

All pupils in Primaries 3, 4 and 7 who will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion or Confirmation during this school year, are invited to attend Mass in St Brendan's Church on Sunday 4th October at 10.30am. This is an important mass as children begin preparations for the Sacraments.



DYSLEXIA AWARENESS WEEK

This year's theme focuses on getting 'the Right Tools for the Job'. We will be learning more about Dyslexia and the things that can help people work and learn at their best. All children and adults in school will receive a blue Dyslexia ribbon to wear on their uniform to raise awareness of Dyslexia.



FROM ST BRENDAN'S TO PHILADELPHIA!

Primary 7 pupils are working on a class topic about The Philadelphia Eagles with Miss Tornow. The topic has a focus on numeracy, literacy, PE, design technology, expressive arts, and a small enterprise project. CBS News in Philadelphia picked up on this exciting learning and did a live news story! You can watch it using this link:

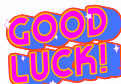
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1h5XJ25EUIk>

The class shared their learning with us at assembly too! We're so proud of our children and delighted that others across the world see how motivated and engaged they are in their learning!



GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK!

Mrs Greenan has now been successful at interview for the permanent Depute Head Teacher post in St Paul's Primary. We couldn't see her leave without a proper St Brendan's send off so we celebrated all the hard work she's done in the school at our assembly! We wish you lots of luck in your new job, Mrs Greenan!



We also say good luck to Mrs Kearns as she begins her maternity leave. We're very excited to be gaining a new little person to our St Brendan's family and are looking forward to hearing whether it's a boy or girl! Miss Adele Morgan will join us from next week to cover Mrs Kearns' maternity leave.

PARENT COUNCIL

A huge thank you to all the parents/carers who have joined our Parent Council this session. We have newly appointed members and lots of ideas and plans already in place to continue promoting the strong relationship between parents and the school. This partnership helps us to create even more positive experiences and opportunities for our children. Please do consider joining if you have the time - we would love hear your views!



PUPIL LEADERSHIP

Over the next few weeks we will be introducing our new Pupil Leadership Team, giving our children exciting opportunities to take on responsibilities and have their voices heard across our school. Our Team will include roles such as School Captains, Diversity Champions and Play Leaders. We're looking forward to seeing our pupils grow in confidence, take on new challenges and make a positive difference to our school community.



SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

Should you need to contact the school at any time, please see below email and phone number for your convenience.

Phone: 0141 952 1222

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*A gentle reminder - if you are going to be late in collecting your child(ren) at home time, please call the school office to advise. Thank you.