



Our Lady & St. Francis Primary School
& Nursery Class



September 2016 Newsletter

Primary One



Our Primary One pupils have settled in really well as I am sure you can see from their fabulous line in the morning. They have already learned some sounds and numbers and we are all very proud of them. We must also commend their P7 buddies who have taken such good care of them in their first few weeks at school. A P1 settling-in report will be issued just prior to the September weekend.

Meet the Teacher Evening

I am sure you are keen to find out what your child will be learning this year; in order for us to give as much information as possible we are holding a Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Information Evening on Thursday 15th September at 6.30pm. You will have the opportunity to visit your child's class for a numeracy workshop and we will also be seeking your views on homework, with a view to producing a new homework policy. A letter with further details of this will be issued today and we ask that you return this indicating your attendance so that we can plan for numbers.



Parents' Evening

Our Parent/Teacher interviews will take place on Thursday 8th October. You will receive a slip later this month asking you to indicate a time slot - please return these to the school office as soon as possible.



Parent Council

We are privileged in Our Lady & St. Francis to have a very active and enthusiastic Parent Council. Their AGM is on Monday 19th September at 6.30pm and all are welcome. They are always looking for new recruits, so please come along if you can.

Holy Ghost Fathers' Raffle

There are still some raffle tickets left for the Holy Ghost Fathers' autumn prize draw. Tickets are £1 each and first prize is £500, second prize is £250 and third prize is £100! Please contact school office if you would like to buy tickets. The last day for tickets is the 9th of September.

Lunch Pre-Order System



As you know, we have a pre-order system for lunches. Children have the opportunity to see the lunch menu every morning in class and choose what they would like to eat. This means that your child should always get their choice of meal, regardless of whether their class is first or last on the rota for that day. Please discuss the menu with your child the night before, so that they are able to tell their teacher what they'd like in the morning. The school menu is posted on our twitter page every Sunday for each week ahead. Please also ensure your child has enough money on their card for their lunch and for breakfast club.

Holiday Dates

Our school will close at 3pm on Thursday 22nd September for our September weekend and will reopen at 9am on Tuesday 27th September. October week this year is week commencing Monday 17th October to Friday 21st October inclusive.



Parking



Parking is an ongoing issue and we ask that parents park responsibly and safely when dropping off and picking up children. We are very fortunate to have use of the Holy Ghost Fathers car park and the Grotto, and we ask that you use these for parking.

P7 Welcome Mass

Taylor High School are having a P7 welcome Mass on Wednesday 21st September and we hope that our P7s are represented well at this. Letters will be issued nearer the time with further details.

P1 Photographs

The Motherwell Times will be in our school on Monday 12th September to take pictures of our P1 pupils. We ask that children are dressed in full school uniforms, including shirts and ties for this please.

