**St. Barbara’s Primary School**

**September 2022**

Welcome to St. Barbara’s September Newsletter!

**Monday 19th September**

This is a Bank Holiday due to the funeral of Her late Majesty, the Queen; may she rest in peace. Schools will be closed.

**September Weekend**

The dates for the September Weekend are Friday 23rd and Monday 26th September.

School will close at 3pm on Thursday 22nd September and re-open at 9am on Tuesday 27th September.

**School Website and Twitter**

You can find a great deal of information on the school website and up-to-date photographs of classroom and outdoor learning activities on our Twitter feed: @St\_BarbarasPS

Please logon and have a look!



 World’s Biggest Coffee Morning



 Friday 30th September 9.30am – 11.30am

This event which support the wonderful work of the MACMILLAN Team will take place from 9.30am in the school hall on Friday 30th September.

We would greatly appreciate donations of cakes from Wednesday 28th September.

Please help us to help them! Thank you!



FAITH Awards

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Several years ago the whole school community was involved in creating a school motto. It was decided that the motto would simply be ‘**FAITH’** with each letter representing an attribute against which we can all evaluate our actions!

St. Barbara’s FAITH Awards have been central to keeping our motto relevant to all of us and the September winners can be found below. Congratulations to all of them!

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| **Stage/****Nominated by…** | **Name** | **FAITH****Category**  | **Reason** |
| **Primary 1** | Ciarán Doran | **Friendly** | Being a great friend to others |
|  | Maia McWilliams | **Helpful** | Helping other children in class |
|  | Charlie Hand | **Helpful** | Being helpful in the classroom |
|  | Gracelyn Eadie | **Friendly** | Being friendly to all of the children |
| **Primary 2** | Aristote Rae | **Helpful** | Helping his teacher and classmates daily |
|  | Brodie McFadyen | **Inspiring** | Setting an example to others by always working hard |
| **Primary 3** | Danny Sloan | **Inspiring** | Always trying his best and working hard in class |
|  | Jessica Wilkin | **Helpful** | Helping to keep the classroom very tidy |
| **Primary 4** | Deri Duffy | **Helpful** | Always being helpful to her classmates |
|  | Darragh Hamilton | **Inspiring** | Being hard-working and kind to all |
|  | Alyssa Graham | **Friendly** | For always showing kindness and concern for others |
| **Primary 5** | Fraser McGeever | **Inspiring** | Setting an example by always working hard in class |
|  | Reece Edwards | **Helpful** | Helping the teacher and his peers in class |
| **Primary 6** | Anna McGrory | **Friendly** | Being friendly and kind to others |
|  | Cole Henderson Smith | **Helpful** | Helping to set up and to lead coding lessons |
| **Primary 7** | Layla Boyce | **Inspiring** | Being creative and hardworking in class |
|  | Noah Webb | **Active** | Outstanding level of fitness and endurance |
| **Office****Staff** | Frankie Smith | **Friendly** | Always so cheerful coming into school |
| Olivia Ferrie | **Helpful** | Helping the younger children every morning |
| **Support****Staff** | Aimee-Leigh McKenna | **Active** | Leading playtime games for the younger children |
| Lennon Rodden | **Helpful** | Consistently helping the younger children |
| **Mr Feeney** | Lucy Gillooly | **Helpful** | Helping the younger children on the school bus |
| Muna Nnoli | **Helpful** | Helping the younger children on the school bus |
| Grace Gordon | **Helpful** | Helping the younger children on the school bus |
| **Mrs Grant** | Lucy Gillooly | **Friendly** | Being kind to the younger children |
| Mason Brown | **Helpful** | Always ready to help everyone |
| **Mrs Johnston** | Rhys McGhee | **Helpful** | Being very polite and helpful |
| Olivia McGinlay | **Teamwork** | Always ready to help as part of the St. Barbara’s team |
| **Cleaning Staff** | Primary 1Mrs Boyce’s Class | **Helpful** | **Tidiest Class Award** |
| **Mrs McKinney** | Gracie Connell | **Inspiring** | Using their initiative and problem-solving skills to help others. |
| Freya Millar | **Inspiring** |

**‘Flu Immunisation**

The immunisation programme will take place on Wednesday 9th November 2022**.**

**Uniform**

Thank you very much for supporting our updated uniform policy. I would like to thank you for adhering so diligently to this policy. The children are resplendent in their uniforms complete with school shoes and jackets; they are a credit to you and to the school.

**Please remember that all branded footwear/clothing is NOT permitted. This policy is in line with the high school and it does extend to P.E. clothing. Thank you.**

**Breakfast Service**

The breakfast club is on in school each morning. Breakfast service opens at 8.15am with children going into the playground at 8.45am.

Please **do not drop your children off before the appointed time** as we cannot guarantee to have staff available. Children should be here and seated for **8.30am** at the latest.

**Annual Data Check/Annual Excursion Permission**

These have been issued. Please complete them and return them to school as quickly as possible. Many thanks to those who have already done so.

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**Emergency Contact Information**

* Please remember to inform the school if you change your mobile/house number
* Please remember to tell us about changes to emergency contacts for your child

 Thank you!

**Allergy Awareness**

Please let us know if your child has an allergy.

![MC900215518[1]]()If your child has a food allergy, you **must** complete a specialist form in conjunction with your child’s dietician **before** your child can use the cafeteria service. Please contact the school for further information.

Please note: **St. Barbara’s is a NUT-FREE ZONE.**

We have pupils with severe nut allergies. Please **do not** send nuts into school.

**Bus Travel/ After-School-Care**

Many parents of children who use the school bus will know that we take a bus register each day. If there is any change to your child’s normal arrangements, please contact the school office to let us know.

If there is any change to after-care arrangements, please ensure that you inform the service provider as well as the school. Thank you.

**Bus Bay**

The Parent Council was instrumental in getting the bus bay created on Drumcavel Road. A significant number of children travel to/from school by bus each day – **please do not compromise their safety** by parking in the bus bay. Thank you.

**Health Promoting School**

Children are welcome to bring water bottles which can be filled during the course of the day to keep them hydrated. However fizzy drinks/energy drinks are not permitted. I ask for your continued support in this matter. Thank you.

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**Diary Dates**

**September**

Monday 19th School Closed

Friday 23rd/Monday 26th September weekend

**October**

Friday 14th School closes at 3pm for the October break

Monday 24th School re-opens at 9am

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Isabella Murray Zoe Dungavell Isabella Scullion

 Saoirse-May Conway Tabitha Feeley Ava Keegan

Romano McManus Holly Boyle Luca Bryce Harris Devine ![breakfast_buddies_ii_by_psychopotato-d46wfc9[1]]()

Lucy Gillooly Caden McKellar Luke McFall

