



## St Patrick's update 28.02.2022

Hello Everyone,

We are half way through this term already and the children are continuing work hard with their learning as we look forward to celebrating St Patrick's Day and beginning the season of Lent.

### **P7 Transition**

Last Monday we welcomed Mr O'Connor, HT and Mrs McGee, DHT from St Maurice's High as our first formal Transition event got underway. The children asked lots of excellent questions and demonstrated excellent manners when our visitors arrived.

P7 parents and carers have also received the link to the School of Sport information. If you think this is something your child may be interested and you haven't received the link, please contact the school office soon.

### **Clyde in the Classroom**

Last week our P6 said farewell to the little Brown Trout fish they had nurtured from trout eggs. A big well done to the class who did so well learning about the Brown Trouts' journey and life cycle. A big thank you to the team at Clyde in the Classroom for their support during this project.

### **Ash Wednesday**

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which marks the start of Lent. Children will have to opportunity to receive Ashes in school.

During Lent the children will have opportunities to attend Holy Mass. With Covid restrictions beginning to ease this is a great chance for many children to return to Mass and develop their faith as part of the parish community.

Pope Francis Faith Award Children will be leading readings and Stations of the cross during this time.

### **P6 Buddies**

The Buddy badges have arrived, and we are beginning our Buddy programme with St Patrick's Family Learning Centre and other nurseries. So far, the P6 children have had some initial introductions and Buddy training. The kindness and caring they show to the little ones is commendable. Our new P1s will be well supported come their arrival in August.

### **Enrolment for P1**

P1 Enrolment took place at the end of January. If you know of anyone who intends to send their child to St Patrick's it is really important the enrolment process takes place as soon as possible. This ensures we have the correct number staff are in place for August.

### **Parent Council and Parent Teacher Association**

St. Patrick's has a long tradition of fantastic parental support. Our Parent Council and Parent Teacher Association would be delighted to welcome more members, so if you are able please consider signing up. 😊

### **Prayers for Peace**

During Lent children will have opportunities in class to pray for Peace at home and across the world. Please encourage your children to pray for peace during their night prayers.

### **St. Patrick's Day Celebration**

The 17<sup>th</sup> of March is our Feast Day and this year we have some exciting things planned:

Dress down or Go Green

Bouncy Castle Fun

Some sweet treats and some extra surprises 😊

There will be no charge to take part in any event.

### **Poverty Proofing our school**

Now, more than ever many families are struggling financially. North Lanarkshire's Financial Inclusion Team can be a great support and can signpost different agencies which may also be able to offer support. [fit@northlan.gov.uk](mailto:fit@northlan.gov.uk)

**We are also hoping to set up a small working group of parents and carers to support us explore ways to reduce school costs for families. If this is something you'd like to contribute to please phone the school.**

### **Homework Helpers**

Reading Eggs, Reading Express and Sumdog are great resources and can really support learning. We are planning an online reminder/refresh on how to access these online learning resources for parents and carers at 1.30pm and at 6pm on Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March. Each online meeting will last approximately 30 minutes.

The webex link for these will be sent separately.

### **Digital Access at home**

If your child's access to digital devices has changed; no wifi or broken laptops etc. Please let us know and we will do our best to support you with this.

## Covid Restrictions

We are delighted that restrictions are slightly easing for schools. Soon we will start small assemblies and Mass in the gym hall with reduced numbers present. This will be very much led by local Covid circumstances.

Adults will continue to wear masks and maintain 2m distancing in school.

Best wishes and take care  
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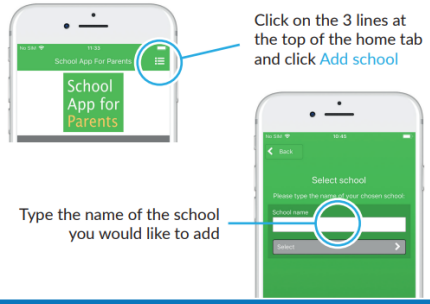
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