



21st June 2021

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations and well done to our P4 pupils who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday. They all looked beautiful and performed excellently during the Mass. Thank-you to Mrs Hughes who prepared the children for the sacrament and to all the staff who assisted with getting the church ready for the special day. Thank you to Marie Harvey and Annette Hughes who supplied the flowers throughout the church and to Roisin and Chloe Corr for providing the beautiful music.

Congratulations to Fr Hughes who was 50 years ordained as a priest at the weekend. Though retired he plays an active role in the life of St. John's especially with the P4 children and the sacrament of Communion. As usual, he provided a very child centred mass on Saturday. Thank-you Fr Hughes!!

Many thanks also to the recently established Parish Cleaning Committee for their work in getting the church ready for Saturday.

Finally, thank-you to the Parent Support Group for organising the chip van for the Communion Party and to Marie Harvey for donating the Communion Cake.

P4 – CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

The P4 first communicants are invited to participate in a Corpus Christi Procession at the start of Mass in St. John's Church on **Saturday 26th June @ 6.30pm.** *(a letter will be sent home with the P4 children)*

CHANGE OF STAFF

We look forward to welcoming Mr Tony Gormley to the staff next year. He will be teaching the P7 class as Mr Campbell is taking a career break.

SPORTS DAY - P1-P4

As the forecast looks promising for tomorrow, we have decided to run with sports day for the P1-P4 classes. The children should wear sports gear and sun cream to school.

MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library van will call to the school on Friday to collect library books. If anyone has library books belonging to the mobile library, please return them to school as soon as possible. Thank-you!

SCHOOL REPORTS

The teachers are busy writing the end of year reports and they will be sent out next week.

TRIP TO THE CINEMA

Good luck to the P3, P4 & P5 children who will visit the cinema on **Friday 25th June.**

FREE SCHOOL MEALS/SCHOOL UNIFORM

Current Eligible Families and New Applicants

Parents who are currently in receipt of support for the 2020/21 school year will not be sent a pre-populated form for the 2021/22 school year. All parents/ guardians (including new applicants) are required to apply on-line from **Monday, 7th June 2021** via the EA website:

[https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals.](https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals)

It is recommended that parents/ guardians apply during the month of June, or as early as possible, to enable applications to be processed for support to be in place for their children for the new school year.

P7 – END OF YEAR MASS

The P7 class will celebrate their end of year Mass on **Wednesday @ 11.00am in St. John's Church.**
(families welcome but please adhere to normal mass COVID measures within the church)

After the Mass, they will have a carvery lunch in the Ryandale. ***On behalf of the school community, we send best wishes for the future to our P7 children as they move on to their new schools!***

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

The school will close on **Wednesday 30th June @11am** for the summer break.