

# St. John's Primary School - Newsletter

**30<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

## **P7 – APPLYING FOR A YEAR 8 POST PRIMARY PLACE – SEPTEMBER 2024**

An information leaflet **'Applying for a Year 8 Post Primary Place for September 2024'** has been added to the homepage of the school's website. This provides key information for parents on how to apply for a post primary place.

The online applications via EA CONNECT for admissions to Year 8 September 2024 open on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January @12 noon and close on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February @12noon.**

To find out about the post primary admissions process, please visit <https://www.eani.org.uk/admissions>.

## **THE ULSTER WOOL INNOVATORS PROJECT**

Our P7 class have been selected to participate in the 'Wool Innovators' Project. This is a special project organised in collaboration by Ulster Wool and Sentinus which connects Farming and Science together. The project aims to educate the children on the importance of wool, shearing and animal welfare. Through a variety of practical and creative thinking learning experiences, they will understand the importance of wool in our environment and the processes which it goes through to produce everyday products. The Sentinus Team will visit the school on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** to launch the project with the P7 class. All participating schools will display their project work at a celebration event at the Balmoral Show!

*Thanks to Sentinus and Ulster Wool for choosing St. John's and good luck to the P7 children!*

## **ROAD SAFETY NI QUIZ**

Good luck to our P7 pupils: Donal, Clara, Rory and Eunan who will represent the school at the Mid Ulster Round of the Road Safety NI Quiz on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February** in the Glenavon Hotel, Cookstown.

## **FIRST FRIDAY MASS**

The P1-P6 children will attend Mass @ 10am in St John's Church on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February.** The P5 class are preparing the Mass this month.

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## CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK – WALK TO SCHOOL

Children's mental health week takes place next week. To focus on 'being active' to support mental health we are encouraging as many P4-P7 pupils (and younger siblings) to walk to school on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**. Staff members will meet any children who wish to walk to school at the Parochial Hall from 8.40am. *Any younger children (P1-P3) who would like to join must be accompanied by an adult.*

## SCHOOL CLOSURE – MID TERM BREAK

The school will be closed the week, **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February** for Midterm Break. We will reopen on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February**.

## AN MHAIGH GAC - ST BRIGID'S CROSS MAKING

An Mhaigh GAC have organised St. Brigid's Cross making in the school tonight, **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January** from 7pm-9pm. Rushes will be available but feel free to bring your own. Everyone welcome!

## PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

The PSG's next meeting takes place on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February @7.30pm** in the school. Everyone welcome!

