

Newsletter

Monday 8th January



St. Joseph's Primary School

A Happy New Year from all at St Joseph's.

Enrolment for Primary One, September 2018

For those parents/carers applying for a place for their child in Primary 1, the application must be received by St Joseph's no later than 12:00 on Wednesday 10th January 2018.

PTA news

The next meeting of the PTA is on Thursday 11th January in St Joseph's at 19:30.

The PTA Cake Sale will be available in the Parochial Hall after both masses on Sunday 28th January. If anyone would like to contribute baked goods, they can either leave them in the school on the Friday beforehand, or into the hall on the Sunday morning. If anyone would like to volunteer to help out please contact the PTA on stjospta@gmail.com

Citizen of the Month

Every month the achievements and efforts of individual children in each class are recognised in Assembly with our special Citizen of the Month presentation. Congratulations to all our current winners for December - Mark(P1A), Elizabeth(P1B), Isla(P2A), Julia(P2B), Joshua(P3A), Rowan(P3B), Reuben(P4A), Allan(P4B), Eve(P5A), Ivan(P5B), Eli(P6A), Louis(P6B), Cillian(P7A) and Ryan(P7B).

Open Days

Open Days/Evenings for some of our local post-primary schools are listed below:

School	Date	Time
Aquinas Grammar School	Saturday 13th January	09:00
Ashfield Boys High School	Tuesday 23rd January	19:00
Ashfield Girls High School	Tuesday 16th January	18:30 - 21:00
Bloomfield Collegiate	Thursday 11th January	18:00 - 21:00
Campbell College	Friday 19th January	18:30 - 21:00
Campbell College	Saturday 20th January	10:00 - 12:30
Grosvenor Grammar	Wednesday 10th January	18:30 - 21:00
Grosvenor Grammar	Thursday 11th January	18:40 - 21:00
Lagan College	Saturday 13th January	09:00 - 12:30
Our Lady and St Patrick's College	Saturday 13th January	09:15 - 12:30
Priory College	Thursday 11th January	18:30 - 21:30
The Royal Belfast Academical Institution	Saturday 6th January	09:30 - 12:30
St Joseph's College	Thursday 18th January	19:00 - 21:00
St Malachy's College	Wednesday 10th January	19:00 - 21:30
St Malachy's College	Thursday 11th January	19:00 - 21:30
Strathearn School	Saturday 6th January	09:15 - 12:30
Sullivan Upper	Saturday 20th January	09:30 - 12:30

Clubs

The new timetable for after-school clubs during the 2nd term has not yet been finalised. You will be notified of the new clubs available and their starting date as soon as possible.

Transfer meetings

Transfer meetings with Mr Donaldson for the parents of P7 pupils will start in St. Joseph's on Monday 29th January. At this meeting parents will have the opportunity to complete the transfer form for their child, listing their preference of post-primary schools; the interview will also be an opportunity to seek advice and clarification on the process.

Confirmation

The date for Confirmation is Sunday 25th February at 11:30 mass in St Colmcille's.

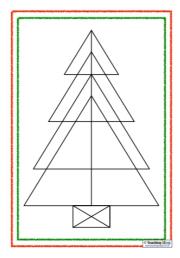
Parent/teacher meetings

The annual parent-teacher meetings for all pupils will take place in the school from Monday 12th March until Friday 16th March. To facilitate these meetings, all classes will finish at 2pm that week.

Now here's an answer

In the last newsletter we asked:

How many triangles can you see in this Christmas tree puzzle?



The answer is: There are 31 triangles.

Now here's a problem

"I was between Murphy and O'Reilly" said Anne. "I was in front of Smith and Murphy" said Mary. While John said he was behind Smith and O'Reilly. What are their full names and in what order were they?

Dates for Your Diary	
Sunday 28th January	'Do This in Memory Of Me' at 09:30 in St Colmcille's
Monday 29th January	Start of P7 meetings for parents to complete Transfer forms
Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February	Mid-term break Break (school closed)
Wednesday 21st February	First Reconciliation Parents' Meeting at 19:00 in the Parochial Hall
Sunday 25th February	Sacrament of Confirmation at 11:30 in St Colmcille's
Monday 12th March - Friday 16th March	Parent/teacher meetings
Monday 19th March	School Development Day 4 (School closed for pupils)

Dates for Your Diary	
Sunday 25th March	'Do This in Memory Of Me' at 09:30 in St Colmcille's
Friday 30th March - Friday 6th April	Easter holidays
Wednesday 18th April	First Communion Parents' Meeting at 19:00 in the Parochial Hall
Sunday 22nd April	'Do This in Memory Of Me' at 09:30 in St Colmcille's
Monday 7th May	Early May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 8th May	School Development Day 5 (School closed for pupils)
Sunday 13th May	First Holy Communion for P4A at 11:30 in St Colmcille's
Sunday 20th May	First Holy Communion for P4B at 11:30 in St Colmcille's
Monday 28th May - Tuesday 29th May	Mid-term break
Friday 29th June	Last day of term