



St Mary's Primary School, Greenlough

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Dear Parents

As we welcome our children back to school for our third and final term of this academic year, please note the following:

60th Anniversary Big Breakfast & Fun Day

As part of our 60th anniversary celebration our scheduled Big Breakfast and fun day will take place on **Sunday 7th May 10am-2pm**. The school will be open to our entire community and there will be bouncy castles, face painting, a petting farm, ice cream, games and much more for everybody to enjoy. A raffle will take place on the day however, pupils can buy tickets in school prior to the event - £5 per strip. Parents can also visit our school foyer, where the items are on display, and purchase tickets from our P7 pupils from 8.45am-9.00am. We are extremely grateful to everybody who has made a donation to our school raffle.

Prizes to date

- A children's bike – Sponsored by PJ McGoldrick
- A signed Derry jersey
- Mr Toner's Derry jersey – Division 2 Final 2023
- Sunday lunch for two – Wild Duck Portglenone
- Luxury Hamper
- St Columba's camogie jersey
- O'Neill's football
- Make up voucher – Danielle Loughlin
- Make up voucher – Charlene Dillon
- 2 cinema tickets – Maghera
- 2 cinema tickets – Ballymena
- 2 Smyth's Toys Vouchers
- 2 Lake passes
- £20 Fryday Voucher

School Funds & Parental Contributions

On behalf of our school, I would like to sincerely thank all parents, families, friends, and local businesses for generously contributing towards the purchase and upgrade of our school's ICT resources. I am delighted to announce that we are firmly on track to reach our target and it would not have been possible without your support. If you would like to donate or make a family contribution, please do so via our Parentmail app or through the gofundme link on our school website.

After School's Football & Camogie

After school's football and camogie begins this week. Both activities are facilitated by volunteers from our local GAA club. We are extremely grateful to the parents who give up

their time to coach the children and continue to support our school in sports development. *Football is for P5-7 on Wednesday and Camogie is for P5-7 on Thursday.*

School Development Plan & School Policies

Schools are required to maintain a School Development Plan, based on a three-year cycle to review progress and plan for improvement across a range of areas. The new academic year will be the beginning of our new school development plan. An online link will be shared with parents in the coming weeks asking to complete a short questionnaire that will contribute towards focussed areas for development over the next three years.

Several updated policies are now available on our school website under the heading 'Our School' www.stmaryspsgreenlough.com/our-school/policies-699/

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Our school PTA is a group of parents, teachers and friends who meet regularly to plan events and activities to raise funds for our school and strengthen our school community. Our school PTA is open to all parents and if you would like to join, please contact Mr Meehan mmeehan763@c2kni.net

Important Dates & School Closures

Strike Action	Wednesday 26 th April - <i>closed</i>
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May- <i>closed</i>
P1 Assembly	Friday 5 th May @1.30pm
Big Breakfast & Fun Day	Sunday 7 th May – 10am-2pm
Bank Holiday	Monday 8 th May- <i>closed</i>
First Communion	Saturday 13 th May @12pm
Council Election	Thursday 18 th May- <i>closed</i>
Staff Training	Friday 26 th May- <i>closed</i>
Bank Holiday	Monday 29 th May- <i>closed</i>
P6 Assembly	Friday 2 nd June @1.30pm
End of Year Mass	Thursday 22 nd June @6pm
P7 Leavers Assembly	Friday 23 rd June @1pm
Closed for Summer	Friday 30 th June - finish @11am

Thank you for your continued support

Yours Sincerely

M. Meehan

Mr M. Meehan (*Principal*)