



St Mary's Primary School, Greenlough

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Dear Parents

Fun Day & Big Breakfast

Thank you to everybody who came to support our fun day and big breakfast. The event was a huge success, and it was a great opportunity for our whole community to come together to celebrate our school's 60th anniversary. We would like to thank all the volunteers who gave up their time to ensure the day was a success, we could not have done it without your support. The amount of money raised has been outlined below:

- Fun Day, Big Breakfast & Raffle - **£3,402.28**
- Sponsorship from Businesses & Families – **£11,571.00**

We are now in a position to upgrade our current interactive white boards. They will be replaced with high tech touchscreen devices that will enhance teaching and learning in the classroom. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Sports Day

Sports day will take place on Thursday 25th May at St. Oliver Plunkett's pitch from 12.30pm-3.00pm. P1 & P2 children are asked to stay until 3.00pm on the day. School bags should not be brought to school on Thursday and children are asked to bring a water bottle to take to the pitch. Dinner sittings will run as normal but at a slightly earlier time and toast will be available at break time. Please ensure your child wears suncream as all activities will take place outside. Children are to be collected from the pitch unless your child walks home. The bus will collect the children from the pitch and KS2 girls can stay for after schools' camogie. Parents are welcome to join us, however, please do not photograph or video any races in the interest of child protection. Photos will be taken on the day by a member of staff and posted on our school website.

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. Parents are asked to complete a short questionnaire that will contribute towards focussed areas for development over the next three years. Please click on the link to access the parent questionnaire on our school website.

<https://www.stmaryspsgreenlough.com/our-school/school-development-plan-2023-26/>

School Trips

We have encountered difficulties securing buses for our school trips this year and we have consciously selected destinations with limited cost to reduce the overall expense parents will encounter. Permission slips will be sent home in due course.

Class	Date	Destination	Cost Per Child
P1, P2 & P3	Thursday 8 th June	Portrush – <i>Beach & Park</i>	£10 – <i>Bus & goodie Bag</i> <i>*lunch not included*</i>
P7	Friday 9 th June	We are Vertigo – Belfast	£25 – <i>Bus & lunch</i>
P4, P5 & P6	Tuesday 27 th June	Portrush – <i>Beach & Park</i>	£10 – <i>Bus & goodie Bag</i> <i>*lunch not included*</i>

Important Dates & School Closures

Staff Training	Friday 26 th May- <i>closed</i>
Bank Holiday	Monday 29 th May- <i>closed</i>
P4 - Portglenone library	Thursday 1 st June
P6 Assembly	Friday 2 nd June @1.30pm
P1 – P3 School Trip	Thursday 8 th June
P7 School Trip	Friday 9 th June
End of Year Mass	Thursday 22 nd June @6pm
P7 Leavers Assembly	Friday 23 rd June @1pm
P4 – P6 School Trip	Tuesday 27 th June
Closed for Summer	Friday 30 th June - finish @11am

Thank you for your continued support

Yours Sincerely

M. Meehan

Mr M. Meehan (*Principal*)