



St Mary's Primary School

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Dear Parents

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. As restrictions are beginning to ease, we look to the future with more optimism as we are closer to welcoming pupils back into our school. We are still waiting confirmation of when children will return and clear guidance on how this should be facilitated. However, I can assure you that we will have everything in place and adhered to for the safety of our school community. Unfortunately, schools are being notified of proposals after public announcements by Peter Weir and the NI Executive. Therefore, it is difficult to keep parents informed of changes as schools are not being kept informed of important developments.

Collection of School Reports & Books

The end of year school reports will be ready for collection from school on Wednesday 24th June. School will be open to the public all day and parents are asked to adhere to the social distancing regulations and use the hand sanitiser provided when entering the school building. Your child/children's schoolbooks/work will also be available for collection in the school hall. School reports have focussed on your child's progress during term one and term two and if you would like to discuss the reports further please contact your child's class teacher directly via email; addresses are available from the Home Learning Area on our school website.

A letter outlining the proposed arrangements merging school and home schooling in the new academic year will be sent home along with school reports next week. Work set to be complete at home will consolidate what your child will be taught in class. As a school we have explored many options and we feel we have created the best approach that will support each child's development in a convenient and practical way for parents. Further details to follow.

P1 Induction Pack

Induction packs for our new P1 children will be posted out to parents next week. A virtual tour of our school is available on the Home Page of our school website. Please watch the short video with your child so they have the opportunity to build a rapport with our school. Due to COVID-19 we have not had the opportunity to visit the children at *Greenlough Early Years* or invite them to the Primary One classroom. A proposed start date will be stipulated in the induction pack to facilitate an induction morning. Please contact Mrs Quinn or Mr Meehan if you have any queries in relation to your child starting school. rquinn574@c2kni.net mmeehan763@c2kni.net

End of Year Mass

Our end of year mass will take place on Tuesday 30th June at 7.30pm. Due to the current restrictions, Fr Harkin and our teaching staff will be involved in the mass and the community can watch on the parish webcam. If social restrictions are eased between now and the 30th June, our P7 class and parents will be invited to attend. This is not how we had planned to pay tribute to our P7's however as we look to the future, we will invite our P7 children back to our school for a celebration when restrictions ease.

As things change, we will ensure to keep parents updated on further developments. If you have any concerns or queries, please contact our school or Mr Meehan directly via email mmeehan763@c2kni.net

Your Sincerely

Mr M. Meehan (*Principal*)