St. Catherine's Primary School



BOOK WEEK 2018

We are so excited to celebrate Book Week on the first week of October.

The Book Fair will be open Monday 1st-Friday 5th October. The fair will be held on both sites, it will be open on the Junior Site 2.15-3.45pm daily and on the Senior site 3.00pm-3.45pm. Money raised at the fair will be used to buy books for our school, so we would ask that you will support us in this.

Town Library Visits have been organised for children in P1-P7, each teacher will inform their class of their given day and time.

We are looking forward to our poetry show which will be hosted by Jim Mc Cool

on Tuesday 2nd on the Senior Site and Wednesday 3rd on the Junior Site.

We will also have story tellers from the Library Services coming around our classrooms to entertain the children with exciting stories.

On Book Character Day (this Friday 5th October) your child should come to school dressed up as their book /fairy-tale character or nursery rhyme character. We have so many prizes to award on this day from speech prizes, art prizes and fancy dress prizes. Every child will go home with a little token for their efforts on this day.

We look forward to your continued support!

God bless you all! Bridget Wilders, Principal



All proceeds in aid of St. Catherine's Nursery & Primary School, Strabane Event organised by St. Catherine's P.T.F.A.

Extended Schools Clubs: REMINDER

There has been huge interest in our after school specialist soccer and netball coaching for our year 6 and year 7 pupils for this term.

Due to this and in the interest of health and safety of our pupils, these clubs will now be facilitated as follows:



Netball

• Group One netball – begins Thursday 4th October until Thursday 15th November (no coaching Thursday 1st November due to Halloween holidays).

• Group Two netball – begins Thursday 22nd November until Tuesday 20th December.

Please Note:

All participating pupils are aware of which group they are in.



Soccer Year 6 and 7 boys

• Year 7 only soccer – begins Monday 1st October until Monday 12th November (no coaching Monday 29th due to Halloween holidays).

• Year 6 only soccer – begins Monday 19th November until Monday 7th January 2019.

Mrs C Gormley Extended Schools Co-Ordinator

School Photographer

Our school photographer will be in school to take our children's photographs on

Wednesday 17th October, Thursday 18th October and Friday 19th October.







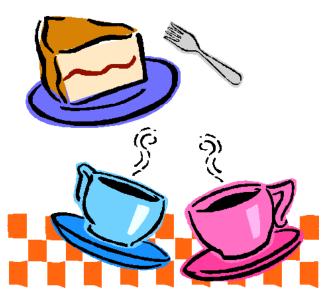
PATHS Programme in St. Catherine's (Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies)

PATHS Quote of the Month - October

Remember that there are many kinds of compliments. Compliments can be about how a person looks, the things they have, the things they do, and the way a person is. Challenge yourself to give at least one of each of these compliments today



Macmillan Cancer /Foyle Hospice Charity Coffee Morning



Many thanks for joining us in the Church for our very special Start of Year Mass. Many thanks also for Fr. Boland for always making us all feel so special and blessing our new school year.

Thanks also to everyone for supporting our Coffee Morning in such great numbers and thanks also to our Kitchen Staff for facilitating our annual coffee morning!

We raised £890.18 for our two charities. Sincere and heartfelt thanks for your generosity for these very worthy causes.

Local Democracy Week



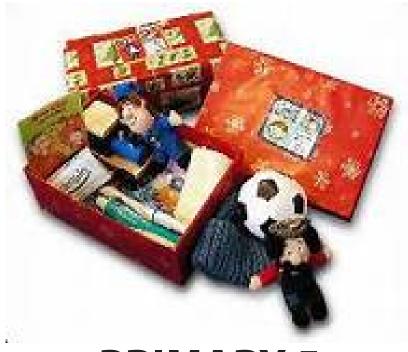
Some of our Year 7 Pupils will represent us at the Local Democracy Week in the Guildhall on Monday 8th October. We are so proud of the maturity of our children and their ability to reason, negotiate and be democratic!

Proud of our school representatives sharing the voices of all our pupils in St Catherine's!

P1 Parents' Induction Programme

The programme begins this Tuesday night at 7pm in the Junior School. Look forward to seeing our Year 1 Parents there! Exciting times.





PRIMARY 5 SHOEBOX APPEAL

We are asking our Primary 5 children to support the Shoebox Appeal that brings so much joy to children around the world at Christmas. Look out for the Information leaflets that will be sent home.

Prayer of the Month -October

The Night Prayer

God, our Father I come to say Thank you for your love today. Thank you for my family, And all the friends you give to me, Guard me in the dark of night, And in the morning send your light, Amen





Curriculum Information Newsletters

Every year we send out Curriculum Information Newsletters to the parents of our pupils from Nursery – Year 4. We believe that this is helpful to parents to let them know what their child is learning in school and hence parents can work with their children at home too to support the work of the school. Curriculum Information Newsletters for Term 1 will be sent home TODAY......so keep a wee eye out for it!! If you have any questions at all about the newsletter or the work that your child is studying in school, please do not hesitate to ask the teacher who will be happy to help!