St. Catherine's Nursery School



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WEEKLY NOTE - Monday 21st January 2019 Check us out on our website: www.stcatherinesps.co.uk

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National Compliment Day 24th **January**

Give loads compliments to people you meet on Thursday January 24th 2019

A compliment is a wonderful way to brighten up someone's day or give credit for a job well done.



Celebrating Catholic Schools Week 2019

The theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is

Sunday, 27th January marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week 2019. This is the 11th Year of Catholic Schools Week and, while we gather each year to celebrate our Catholic Schools, this year we gather in a special way to celebrate their wonderful contribution to the mission of the church, both in our local faith communities and throughout the wider communities. This year's theme is

Catholic Schools : Celebrating the Work of our Local Catholic Schools We are reminded of the of the importance of

- 1. Living Tradition
- 2. Welcoming Diversity
- 3. Intergenerational Links

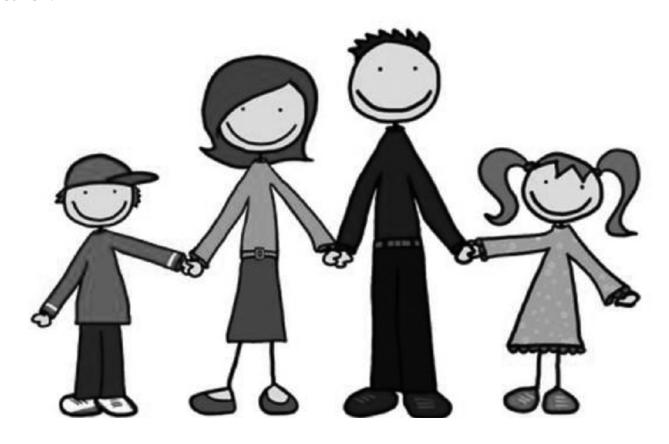
- 4. Serving our Community
- 5. Supporting Faith

Children will complete activities based on this important theme this week

Talk to your children at home about the importance of our of school and the very special family atmosphere we have in our wee school, which makes it so special.

Our annual special Grandparents assembly will take place in the Junior School on Wednesday 30th January at 10am and 2pm in the Senior school on the same day.

Our Grandparents Assembly is always so important and special to us all. We give thanks for our Grandparents who are here with us and also for our Grandparents who are in heaven.





FREE 6 Week Programme for Parents & Carers

Do you sometimes struggle with parenting? Are some days better than others? Many parents feel exactly the same way!

Sink or Swim explores the realities of parenting, while sharing tips & tools on how to look after your own mental health.

Starts Thursday 31st January 2019 St Mary's PS Strabane, * Music Room (Junior Site) 11 am - 1 pm

* Running every Thursday 11 am - 1 pm for 6 weeks
All parents & carers welcome.
Refreshments will be provided.

To register call us freephone 0808 8010 722 or visit parentingni.org





ONLINE DIGITAL ADMISSION PROCESS

For any parent who could not attend the Open Afternoons but have a child due to start Nursery or Year 1 in September 2019, we are offering "Drop IN" Sessions this year as the applications have to be online. If you would like to book a session they run from 7-1-19 until 18-1-19. If you wish to book a session please give Mrs Clare Kelly (Clerical Officer) Senior School a wee ring on 02871 382614 OPTION 1 and she will be happy to book you in!!

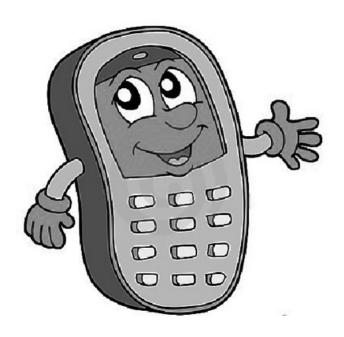
Some sessions have been booked already.

You DO NOT have to attend these sessions but if you do the staff in school will help you make your application online there and then and you can be confident that all has been done and breathe a sigh of relief! Please note that you will need to have the following with you.....



- 1. YOUR PERSONAL EMAIL username and know your password
 - 2. Your child's birth certificate
 - 3. Your proof of address
- 4. DSS Income Support Form (Only if this applies to you!)

Update of Parent Mobile Phone Numbers



Some of you may have got new mobile phones for Christmas or indeed for some reason you may have a different number since the start of the year. If so have you let the school secretary know so that it can be changed at school? This is very important incase we have to contact you for any reason regarding your child. This is also important so that you can receive school text messages.

If you have changed your number and not updated the school.... Please do so!



Familes Together

Time for Parents

Confidential support with any parenting issue, helping you to find manageable solutions for your family.

- Available face to face, via phone or via Skype
- Explore and set realistic goals
- Parents can attend individually or together
- Support available over the summer as well as during term time

Parenting NI



Interested?

Register interest online on the Families Together page at parentingni.org. Call 0808 8010 722 or the coordinator on 078 8742 9054





PATHS Programme in St. Catherine's

(Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies)

PATHS Quote of the Month - January

Friendship is one of life's greatest gifts. If you think someone could use a friend.

Be one!







Prayer of the Month - January NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

We remember For all that has been We give thanks.

We look forward For all that will be We say yes.

All time is God's time.
We let go of the past and We welcome what is to come.

And all the time we pray in the name of Jesus, who is the same yesterday, today and forever. Amen