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WEEKLY NOTE - Monday 8th April 2019

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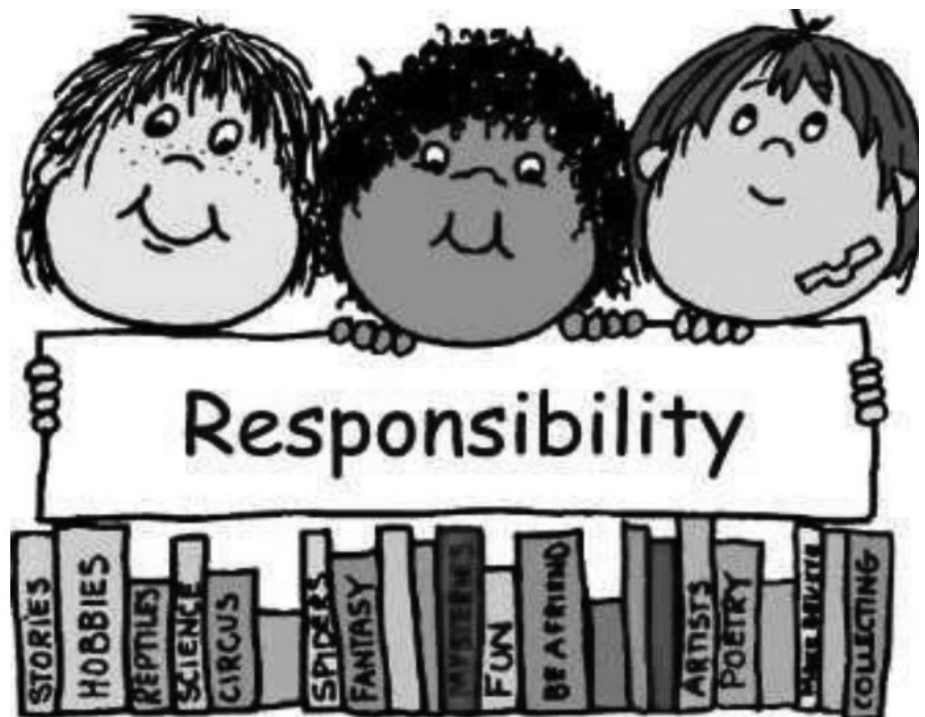
Sharing our School Rules

We have three simple school rules in St. Catherine's which everyone should adhere to and they are

WORK HARD

**ALWAYS DO YOUR
BEST**

**TREAT EVERYONE
AND EVERYTHING
WITH RESPECT**



#promotingacultureofrespect

God bless you all! Bridget Wilders, Principal

Our very first GUEST TEA at St. Catherine's

This year, for the first time ever, our PTFA will be having a Guest Tea in order to raise funds for our wee school.

These funds go towards helping to buy little treats that our children get throughout the year. Money from school funds is also used, where possible to help subsidise the costs of school trips etc so that parents are not being charged the full costs of things. In the current financial climate this is crucial. Whilst our school carries out a lot of fundraising for charity, sometimes we have to look a little closer to home too!

To this end we will be hosting a GUEST TEA in St. Patrick's Hall on Friday 7th June from 7pm -9pm.

We have never had one before and we are soooooo excited!! Our own children will provide entertainment at the event coupled with other guest acts, for example, Class Act! We will let you know the full line up as soon as it is finalised!

There are a maximum of 20 tables (10 seats at each table) to be taken at the Guest Tea. We are inviting our parents/ groups of parents to take a table at this event.

When you take a table, you invite other parents, family members or friends to come along and have tea and treats with you.

You will be entertained and then everyone can make a little donation in an envelope towards our very worthy cause.....our

own little children!!

There is no admission cost to this event, money is raised by contributions from each table. Whoever hosts the table will have overall responsibility for organising the crockery for tea, treats to be eaten etc by their guests.

Some guests also contribute to the treats if they wish! Could you host a table for us? If so we would love to hear from you!! If you would like to help your child's school by hosting a table on the night, please complete the attached slip and return to your child's teacher by Wednesday 17th April.

Believe it or not some tables have already been taken so complete your slip asap as there are only 20 tables! The craic will be good! #beapartofit





St. Catherine's

Nursery & Primary School, Strabane



Guest Tea

Friday, 7th June

**VENUE: St. Patrick's Hall,
Strabane**

TIME: 7pm-9pm

**FULL LINE-UP OF
ENTERTAINMENT TO
BE CONFIRMED**

#beapartofit

*All procceds in aid of St. Catherine's
Nursery & Primary School, Strabane*

Event organised by St. Catherine's P.T.F.A.

**LIMITED
NUMBER
OF TABLES
AVAILABLE**



Change to our New Summer Menu in our 5 Star School Canteens!

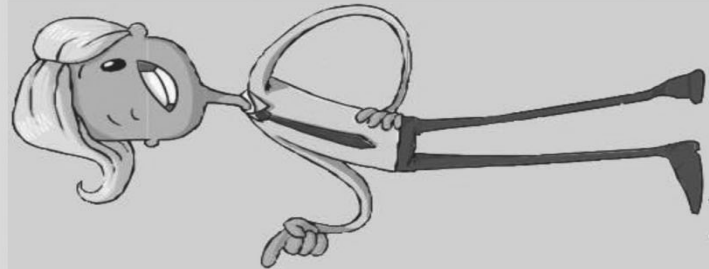
Have a wee look at our new Summer Menu which starts after Easter.
We are very blessed to have a canteen on BOTH sites of St. Catherine's!
Enjoy our freshly cooked meals on each site!

**school
food**

try something new today
www.schoolfoodni.com

**Bread, salad, fruit,
yoghurt, milk and water
are available daily.**

If you require any
additional information on
allergens or special diet
please contact the school
in the first instance



try something new today

Summer Menu 2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week One					
April 22nd	Spaghetti Bolognese	Chicken Curry & Rice	Baked Gammon	Oven Baked Sausages	H/M Beef Burger & Bap
May 20th	Savoury Pizza	Naan Bread	Stuffing & Gravy	Chicken & Pasta Bake	Chicken Nuggets
June 17th	Diced Carrots / Gravy	Oven Baked Fish	Dry Oven Roast / Mashed	Baked Beans / Broccoli	Baby Boiled Potatoes / Chips
Sept 16th	Mashed Potatoes	Mashed & Baked Potatoes	Potatoes	Mashed & Baked Potatoes	Mixed Vegetables
Oct 14th	Wholemeal Shortbread	Peas & Sweetcorn	Cabbage / Carrots	Gravy	Chocolate Sponge
	Biscuit	Fruit Sponge	Artic Roll	Fruit Queen Cake	Fruit & Custard
	Fruit & Custard	Fruit & Custard (RMF)	Fruit Salad	Fruit Juice	
	(H)		(H)	(RMF)	
Week Two					
April 29th	Cottage Pie	H/M Beef Burger	Roast Meat	Hot Dog	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
May 27th	Oven Baked Fish	Chicken Curry & Rice	Stuffing & Gravy	Pasta Bake	H/M Chicken Goujons
June 24th	Diced Carrots / Gravy	Naan Bread	Dry Oven Roast	Peas	Mashed Potatoes / Chips
Sept 23rd	Mashed / Baked Potatoes	Broccoli / Gravy	Mashed Potatoes	Mashed / Herb Diced	Baked Beans / Mixed
Oct 21st	Fruit Muffins / Fruit	Mashed & Baby Potatoes	Baton Carrots / Cabbage	Potatoes	Vegetables
	Custard	Apple Sponge & Custard	Flakemeal Biscuit / Fruit	Date Cookies / Fruit	Ice - cream Tubs
		(H)	Custard	Custard (RMF)	Fruit
Week Three					
May 6th	Salmon Fish Cakes or	Oven Baked Sausages	Roast Chicken / Turkey	Hot Chicken Baguettes	Stuffed Bacon Rolls
June 3rd	Fish Fingers	Beef Lasagne	Stuffing & Gravy	Beef Burger & Bap	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
Sept 2nd	Chicken Tika & Rice	Mashed / Baked Potatoes	Dry Oven Roast / Mashed	Mashed & Herb Diced	Mashed Potatoes / Chips
Sept 30th	Naan Bread / Peas	Baked Beans / Broccoli	Potatoes	Potatoes	Sweetcorn / Gravy
Oct 28th	Mashed & Baby Boiled	Gravy	Cabbage / Carrots / Gravy	Mixed Vegetables	
	Potatoes	Wholemeal Shortbread		Ice-cream & Fruit	
	Fruit Muffins	Biscuits	Fruit Jelly	Chocolate sauce	Rice Pudding
	Fruit & Custard (RMF)	Fruit & Custard	Fruit & Custard (RMF) (H)	(H)	Fruit / Frozen Mousse
Week Four					
May 13th	Oven Baked Fish	Cottage Pie	Roast Meat	Lasagne	Chicken Tika Wraps
June 10th	Chicken Curry & Rice	Chicken Goujons	Stuffing & Gravy	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Oven Baked Sausages
Sept 9th	Naan Bread / Peas	Mashed Potatoes	Dry Oven Roast	Mashed & Herb Diced	Baby Boiled Potatoes / Chips
Oct 7th	Mashed / Baked Potatoes	Baked Beans / Broccoli	Mashed Potatoes	Potatoes	Peas & Sweetcorn
	Frozen Yoghurt	Gravy	Turnips / Carrots	Mixed Vegetables	
	Fruit (RMF)	Flakemeal Biscuit / Fruit	Fruit Crumble / Fruit	Orange Cookies / Fruit	Decorated Sponge / Fruit
		Custard	Custard	Custard	Custard
			(H)	(H)	(RMF)



House Points Rewards

As you are aware we have a Whole School Rewards System which adds a fun, competitive and motivating element for the children!

It is a focus for everyone which assists with rewards across the curriculum (ie. academic learning, homework, creativity/practical activities, sporting skills, music, good behaviour/attitude/manners, school uniform, PE Uniform etc...).

We have four 'Houses' throughout the whole school, so each class is split into the four Houses; Hogwarts Houses from Harry Potter

Hufflepuff, Slytherin, Gryffindor and Ravenclaw

Pupils are able to earn points for classwork, homework, etc... They will also

have the opportunity to win prizes.

At present, we are having a big promotion on taking a pride in our Uniforms both FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM and PE Uniform.

Children will be awarded house points for wearing neat and tidy FULL School Uniform and changing when necessary into required PE Uniform. (It is to be noted that our PE Uniform is very plain that is, plain white t shirt/polo shirt and plain NAVY jogging bottoms/leggings so as to be more cost effective.....no BRAND NAMES/ DESIGNER LABELS).

Please continue to support and help our children gain more House Points and join in the fun in taking great pride in our uniform!

PTFA Easter School Disco

Our PTFA is hosting a Disco for our children on Wednesday 17th April in school. Admission to the Disco is £1. There will also be a tuck shop at the disco. Children should wear their casual clothes on this day.



Year 4 Pupils and Parents



Congratulations to our little Year 4 Pupils who received the sacrament of First Confession (Reconciliation) on Thursday night. You were just great!

Our next Do This In Memory Mass to help prepare for the big day is on Sunday 14th April at 12 Noon in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

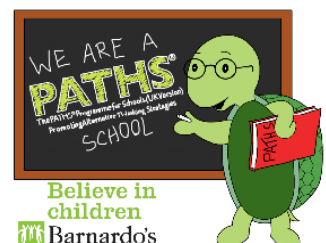
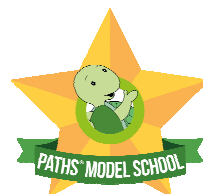
We look forward to seeing our children and parents there!



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

PATHS Quote of the Month - April

***Think before you speak
Are you using kind words?
How would I feel if someone said this to me?
Kind words can bring a smile
Be the reason that someone smiles today***



PRAYER OF THE MONTH - APRIL

Prayer idea attributed to Pope Francis. Try this with your children at home during lent

Pope Francis' five finger prayer guide

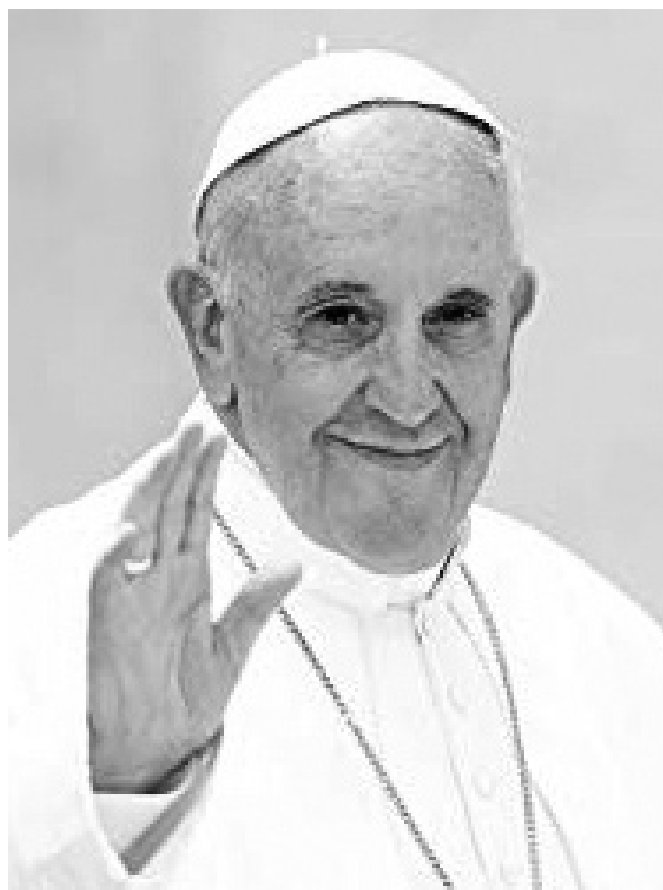
1. The thumb is the closest finger to you. So start praying for those who are closest to you. They are the persons easiest to remember. To pray for our dear ones is a "sweet obligation."

2. The next finger is the index. Pray for those who teach you, instruct you and heal you. They need the support and wisdom to show direction to others. Always keep them in your prayers.

3. The following finger is the tallest. It reminds us of our leaders, the governors and those who have authority. They need God's guidance.

4. The fourth finger is the ring finger. Even that it may surprise you, it is our weakest finger. It should remind us to pray for the weakest, the sick or those plagued by problems. They need your prayers.

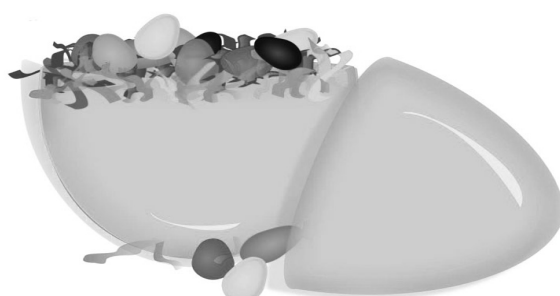
5. And finally we have our smallest finger,



the smallest of all. Your pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. When you are done praying for the other four groups, you will be able to see your own needs but in the proper perspective, and also you will be able to pray for your own needs in a better way.

School Closure for Easter Holidays

School will close at 12 Noon on Holy Thursday 18th April for the Easter Break. School will reopen again as usual on Monday 29th April. We take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Easter and we hope that everyone has a lovely family break spending quality time together!

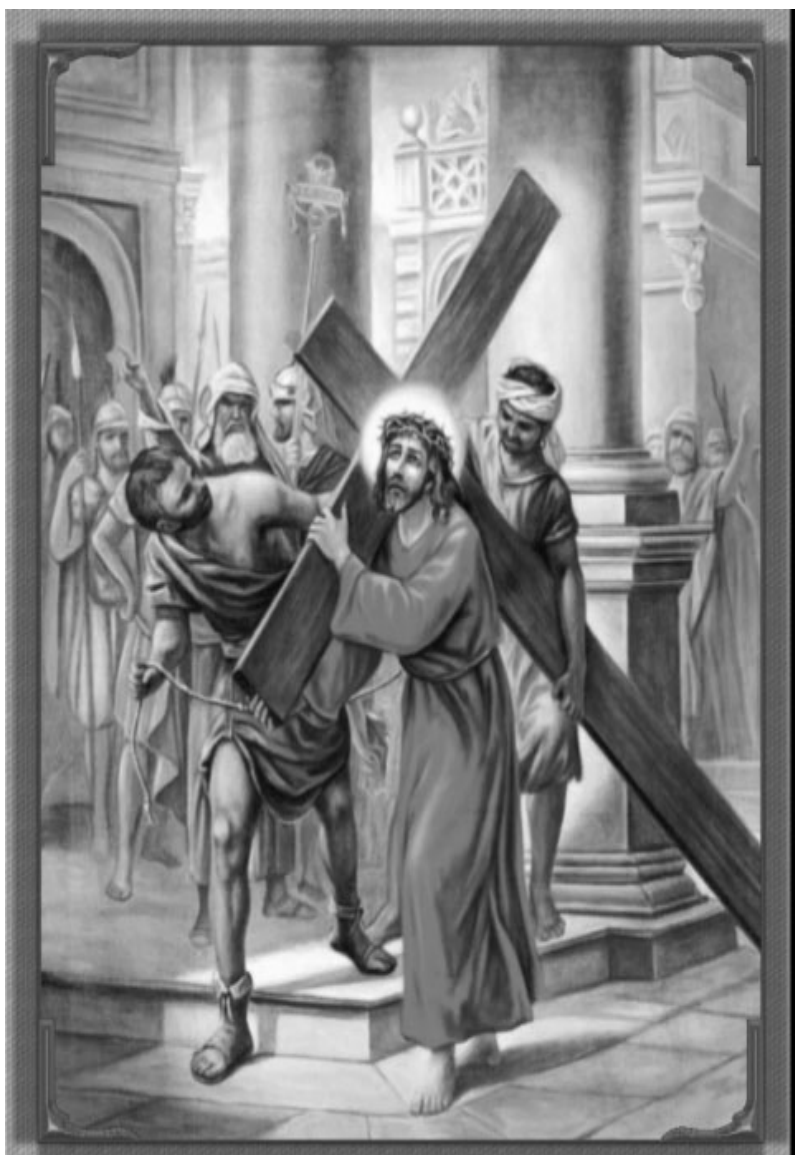


Stations of the Cross Ceremony

The Stations of the Cross will take place on the Junior School, Newtownkennedy Street Site on Tuesday 16th April at 2.00pm in the playground (weather permitting). Years 3- 7 children from both sites will take part in the ceremony. School will finish at 12.30pm on Tuesday 16th April for Nursery children and Years 1 and 2 children.

Nursery children and years 1 and 2 children are very welcome to attend the Stations but they must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. We invite all parents and friends of Saint Catherine's to join us during this special, reverent ceremony.

****All P3-P7 children on both sites will dress like people from Jesus' time. Please send in a big shirt, tea-towel and a tie in a bag with your child's name on it before Monday 15th April ****



Parent, Teacher,
Friends Association
**Working together
for our children**

**The next meeting of our PTFA
will take place at 7pm in the
Junior School on Thursday
11th April.**


Everyone welcome!




Crawlers to walkers babblers to talkers... talking is as important as walking



Sing a rhyme anytime
Start your child learning
for a lifetime!

 South Eastern Health
and Social Care Trust

 Public Health
Agency

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St. Catherine's First Guest Tea

I would like to host a table at St. Catherine's First ever Guest Tea.

Signed: _____

Parent/Gaurdian of: _____

Class: _____

Teacher: _____