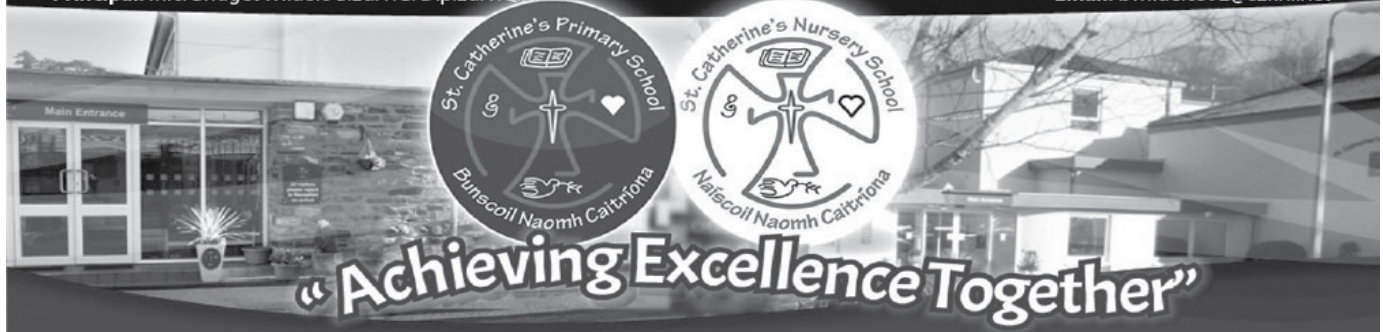


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## WEEKLY NOTE - Monday 10 June 2019

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## First Ever Guest Tea



Sincere thanks to everyone who hosted a table at our First Ever Guest Tea in St. Patrick's Hall on Friday night and to all who attended as guests and helped us fundraise for our wee children.

The night was such a success due to the hard work of our PTFA and also due to the talents of our children ably directed by our staff. Special mention to Mrs D Doherty (Music Leader and FS Choir Leader), Mrs S Vaughan (KS1 Choir Leader), Mrs Deery (KS2 Choir Leader), Ms Edel Strawbridge (EA Strings Tutor), Mr Derek Mc Gillian (EA Brass Tutor), Miss C Hutton (Year 1 Teacher), Non Teaching Staff (who hosted a table) and also helped with children, Mrs Berni Allen

(Chair of Governors) who all represented our school so well on the night ... giving of their time! Very much appreciated. Thanks also to our community guests ....Euphoria Cheerleading Group and to the pupils of Holy Cross College and Class Act. Their contribution to our night's entertainment was invaluable! Special thanks also to Friends of Knockavoe for hosting their table. Parents, pupils, staff, governors and community were all working together..... the spirit of family and community..... what St. Catherine's is all about!

We will let you know exactly how much was raised for our little pupils funds in next week's note!

# PATHS NEWS!

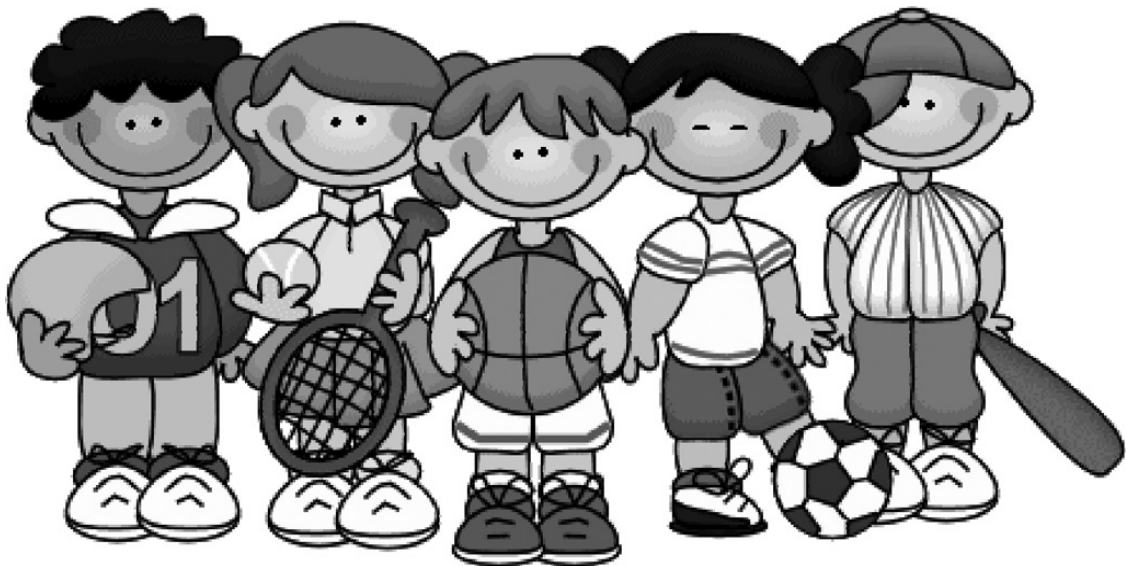
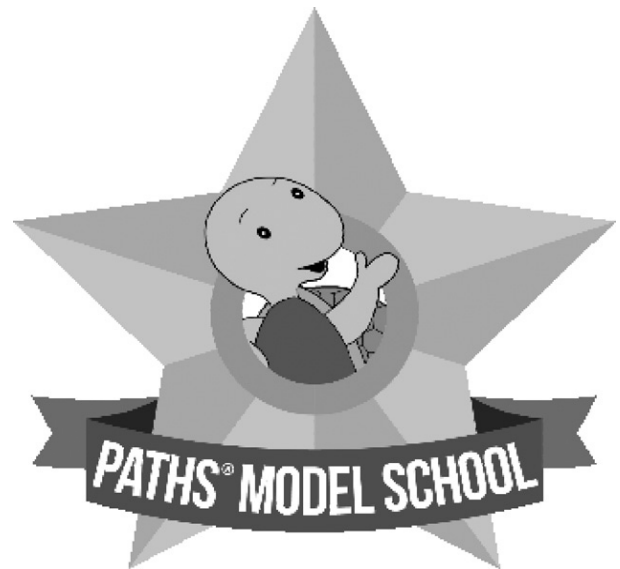
This Year the Annual Worldwide PATHS Conference is in Ireland. As part of that conference the founder of the PATHS Programme, Dr. Mark Greenberg (Pennsylvania State University) will be coming to Ireland.

As you are aware, St. Catherine's Nursery and Primary School is a PATHS Model School and as a result, special visitors from the conference will be coming to visit our school on Monday 17th June. We are so excited. They will observe the excellent practice that happens in our school to develop Social and Emotional Learning for our pupils using the PATHS Teaching Programme. We feel honoured to have these special visitors and are so excited to show them all our hard work!

They will be arriving to the Junior Site on this morning. Unfortunately due to the fact that we are creating an exhibition for

the visitors on the Junior Site, there will be NO BREAKFAST Club on the site on that morning however parents are welcome to take their children to the Senior Site for Breakfast if they wish!

We will keep you updated on the outcome of the visit.



## Sports Day Success

Well we finally got out Sports Day events completed for all our little children despite the weather! Many thanks to parents for their patience, understanding and support while we had to reschedule due to adverse weather!

Well done to Mrs O'Kane (PE/ Health and Safety Leader) who organises all aspects of Sports Day... a lot of hard work goes into this and it is so much appreciated!

# Musical Pathways Celebration for parents of Year 1 and 2

We are hosting a short celebration of the work that has been completed by Year 1 and 2 pupils in the Musical Pathways Programme in the Junior School on Friday 14th June at 1.30pm.

If you can attend you are very welcome. Please note that as the hall has limited seating please indicate on the note that was sent home to you if you can attend so that we can try to arrange seats!



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## Year 1 Shared Prayer Assembly

Every year we have a beautiful Year 1 Shared Prayer Assembly in June to celebrate the joy of our little Year 1 Pupils and the start that they have just made on their Primary School Journey.

This year that assembly will take place on Friday 21st June at 10am in the Junior School Assembly Hall and all the parents of our Year 1 Pupils are warmly invited.

If you would like to attend please complete the attached sheet so that we have a wee idea of numbers!

**#timetocelbrate**



# Welcome to all our Little Nursery Children who will be starting in September!

We are so excited to welcome all our new pupils who will be starting their education journey in Nursery in September.

As part of our welcome we will be having Induction Meetings with our new pupils and their parents on Monday 17th June and Tuesday 18th June. Letters will be sent out with appointment times for one of these days to each new pupil's home. Our CURRENT Nursery children should be collected at 12.45pm on this day to facilitate the Induction for next year's pupils. Many thanks.

Exciting times!



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## Mobile Phones

As you are aware. We have a mobile phone policy. If parents insist on their children having access to mobile phones before and after school, then pupils who have had parental permission MUST hand in the mobile phone to the Senior School Office first thing in the morning where it will be stored (locked away safely) until the end of the day when it can be collected again.

It has come to our attention, that some children do not hand in their phones or sometimes use them on school property before handing them in. For Child Protection and Safeguarding reasons we respectfully request that all phones

be handed in immediately on arrival to school.

If a child is found to have a mobile phone which has not been handed in, it will be confiscated and their parent contacted (as is our policy).

We appreciate your understanding and support in this very important safeguarding matter.

We also respectfully remind all adults that mobile phones should not be used on school property in the presence of children for Child Protection and Safeguarding reasons. We thank you sincerely for your understanding and support!



# REMINDER:

## Upcoming School Trips

Every year our children enjoy their End of Year Trip with their classmates and their teacher. The details are given below.



Year Group	Day	Date	Venue
1 & 2	Tuesday	11th June	Lesiureland Redcastle, Molville
3	Tuesday	11th June	Brunswick, Derry
4	Wednesday	5th June	Titanic Centre, Belfast
5	Thursday	20th June	Brunswick, Derry
6	Tuesday	18th June	Brunswick, Derry
7	Wednesday	12th June	Brunswick, Derry

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## End of Year School Reports

Every year we send home (by post) your child's end of year school report. The post will also contain a letter to explain any

scores that are recorded on your child's report and what these scores mean and another letter which informs you about the class that your child will progress to next year 2019/20. It is crucial that you have informed the school, if you have changed address otherwise you may not receive your post! If you have moved please check with clerical staff to ensure we hold the correct address for you.

This post will be sent to you by Friday 21st June so that if you have any queries or concerns you can approach staff before the end of June.



# MORE Uniform NEWS!!

As you know, our Uniform Supplier is SELECT KIDZ who are based in Derry.

They have asked us to let parents know that they have now moved premises to their new shop at 105 Spencer Road, Derry BT47 6AE.

## SUMMER DEALS for UNIFORM

### Boys Deal:

Deal 1: Jumper, trousers and tie = £25

Deal 2: Jumper, trousers, two shirts and tie= £34

### Girls Deal:

Deal 1: Jumper. Skirt, tie = £42

Deal 2: Jumper, skirt, two blouses, tie= £53

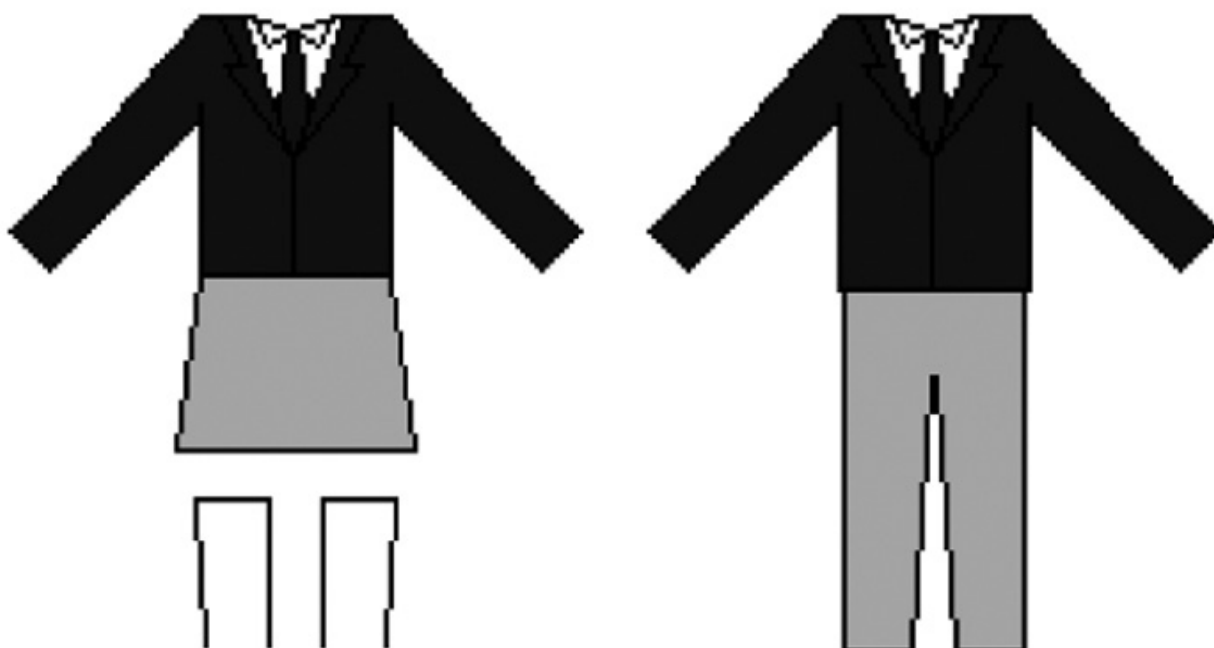


The staff from Select Kidz will be running a Uniform Savings Club again this year in St Catherine's for any parent who would like to join. Parents report to us every year that they like the idea of saving for the uniforms and for getting the chance to fit children with items in the school.

To this end, Staff from SELECT KIDZ will visit our school on the following dates to run the Uniform Savings Club:

**Wednesday 19th June** 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL

**Wednesday 26th June** 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL





# Prayer of the Month for June

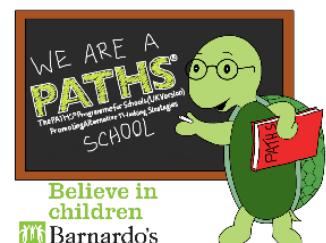
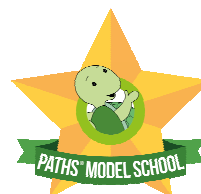
*Dear Lord  
If I am wrong, right me,  
If I am Lost, Guide me.  
If I start to give up, keep me going.  
Lead me in light and love.  
Amen*



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

### PATHS Quote of the Month - June

- P** - Problem solve
- A** - Always try to make good choices
- T** - Treat others the way you would like to be treated
- H** - Help out
- S** - Show your kindness



## COMMUNITY NOTICE

# Books are fun for everyone!...

.....you can turn a page at any age



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



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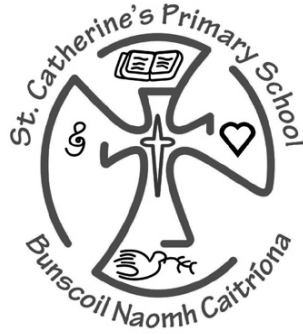


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# Year 1 Shared Prayer Assembly

I can/ cannot attend the Year 1 Shared Prayer Assembly on Friday 21st June in the Junior School.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Gaurdian of: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_