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**WEEKLY NOTE - Monday 15th January 2018** Check us out on our website: www.stcatherinesps.co.uk

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## **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!

God bless you all! Bridget Wilders, Principal

# Change of USERNAME (Handle) on TWITTER

Good news for all TWITTER Fans.....we are now also on Twitter! We have changed our USERNAME. Now you can follow us at....

## @stcatherinesps

See the front of this note for all our links to ....

- 1. Website
- 2. Facebook
- 3. Instagram
- 4. Twitter
- 5. Email



We want to communicate with you and keep you up to date!!

# National Compliment Day 24th January



Give loads of extra compliments to people you meet on Wednesday January 24th 2018

A compliment is a wonderful way to brighten up someone's day

or give credit for a job well done.

Please complete the attached Family Compliment Sheet and send it back into your child's teacher by Friday 19th January ahead of Compliments Day! We will SHARE these compliments in school! Thank you!

# National Compliment Day Wednesday 24th January 2018

Please let your child give members of their family a compliment , record these on this slip and return to school



I can give people in my family a compliment	Believe in children  Barnardo's	

Thank you

## **FLU Prevention**

Advice for our wee Pupils in school to promote thorough Handwashing to help prevent the spread of Infection. We ask that our parents help us also to promote good practice in school and at home! We appreciate your support!

Clean hands protect against infection

## **Protect yourself**

- Clean your hands regularly.
- Wash your hands with soap and water, and dry them thoroughly.
- Use alcohol-based handrub if you don't have immediate access to soap and water.

## How do I wash my hands properly?

Washing your hands properly takes about as long as singing "Happy Birthday" twice, using the images below.



Wet hands with water



apply enough soap to cover all hand surfaces.



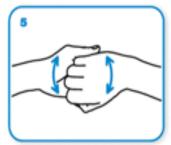
Rub hands palm to palm



right palm over left dorsum with interlaced fingers and vice versa



palm to palm with fingers interlaced



backs of fingers to opposing palms with fingers interlocked



rotational rubbing of left thumb clasped in right palm and vice versa



rotational rubbing, backwards and forwards with clasped fingers of right hand in left palm and vice versa.



Rinse hands with water



dry thoroughly with a single use towel



use towel to turn off faucet



...and your hands are safe.

## St. Catherine's Nursery & Primary School

Parent, Teacher,
Friends Association
Working together
for our children

Many thanks indeed to all the members of our wonderfully hardworking PTFA for everything they have done for our wee children before Christmas and generally this year to date.



This is a particularly special meeting as there will be a Guest Speaker Mrs Maria Herron from Parenting NI in attendance to update us re the work of Parenting Ni in our areas and the various services that they can offer. All parents from our school are welcome to attend this meeting whether they are PTFA Members or not. However our PTFA are also always looking for new recruits.....why don't you give it a try?

# REMINDER: Where do I collect my child on each site?

Sometimes we find that our childminders and carers get confused about where to collect pupils across our two sites ....especially of this is a first time for them!! Hopefully this will help!

**Nursery:** All children should be collected from their classrooms.

### **Junior School:**

Year 1(a) Mrs Doherty's class and Year 2 (a) Mrs Hamilton's Class should be collected from the front pupil exit beside their classrooms.

Year 1 (b) Miss Hutton's Class and Year 2 (c) Mrs Mc Glynn's Class should be collected from the exit door beside their classroom.

Year 2 (b) Mrs Mc Brien's Class should be collected from the exit door beside their class.

Year 3 (b) Mrs Mc Granaghan's Class should be collected at 3pm from the front pupil exit door (beside the Year 1 / 2 classrooms)

Year 3 (a): Ms Mc Gowan's Class will be escorted to the front gate of the school where they can be collected.

Year 4 will be escorted by their teachers to the front gate of the School where they can be collected.

#### **Senior School:**

Nursery: Nursery children must be collected from the actual door of the Nursery itself.

Year 5 should be collected at 3pm from the front main exit gate of this school site at the side of the Vice Principal's Office

Year 6 will be escorted by their teachers to the gate at the side of the Vice Principal's Office of this school site where they can be collected.

Year 7 will be escorted to the main door at the front of the Senior School where they can be collected.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

We expect that all children (Nursery, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3) will be collected by a responsible adult to ensure their safety going home from school. If your child is in Year 3-7 and you wish them to walk home by themselves then please indicate this to the class teacher via a little note. If you you're your child to be collected by taxi then you should send a note to the class teacher indicating this. For Child Protection and Safeguarding purposes we cannot release a child to an any adult without parental consent. Thank you!

# 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

## PATHS Programme in St. Catherine's

(Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies)

## **PATHS Quote of the Month - January**

Our feelings are as much a part of us as our hands, feet or hair. Feelings, while on the inside, often show on the outside. All people have feelings. Keep your eyes open today and look out for feelings







# January 2018

Saturday	9	13	20	27	
Friday	2	12 Year 1 Health Check	Holy Cross Open Day 10am-12Noon and 1pm-3pm	56	
Thursday	4	Year 1 Health Check Milk Money Due	18 PTFA Meeting 7.00pm	Strabane Academy Open Day Junior Campus (Derry Road) 7pm	
Wednesday	ဇ	10	17	24	31
Tuesday	2	6	16	23 Year 7 Flight Programme	30
Monday	-	80	15	22	29
Sunday		7	74 Year 4 "Do This In Memory" 10am	21	28

