## St. Catherine's Primary School



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# **School Days**

Every morning our school sites open at 8.30am and the Breakfast Club is available for pupils / parents if they wish to have it At that time a member of staff is available on duty in the assembly hall of both sites to supervise our pupils.

Prayers are said every morning across our two sites in the assembly hall promptly at 9.05am.

Children are then taken to their classrooms by staff to begin the day's teaching and learning. We actively encourage all children to be in school on time for prayer assembly in the hall.

Any child who arrives at school after 9.20am however will be marked late



on the register. In line with our Pupil Attendance Policy, if a child cannot attend school due to illness or any other reason, we respectfully request that parents send a note to the teacher to explain why the child was absent from school and this will be recorded on the register.

God bless you all! Bridget Wilders, Principal

# Year 4 Do This in Memory Programme

Our next mass in preparation for First Holy Communion will take place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday 24th March at 6.30pm. We look forward to seeing all our Year 4 Pupils and their families at this mass. We have no date yet for First Confession but we will let you know as soon as we get it.

First Holy Communion itself will take place on Saturday 26th May at 11am.

# **Annual Irish Language and Culture Celebration in St.** Catherine's (Year 6 and 7 Pupils)

Every year we celebrate our Irish Language and Culture in St Catherine's. This year our Year 7 Pupils have received Irish Language Lessons from Muiteoir Laran (sponsored and funded by Leargas Programme.)

Our Year 6 Pupils have also been learning some Irish Dancing.

We warmly invite our parents of Year 6 and 7 Pupils to come along and join with

us in our celebration on Thursday 22nd March in the Senior School at 10am!







Come along and join in our PTFA Meetings .... craic is good .... be a part of helping your child's school!

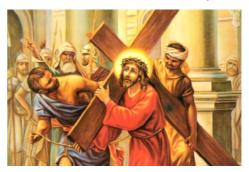
> Next meeting is Thursday 12th April at 7pm in the Junior School.

## **Stations of the Cross Ceremony**

The Stations of the Cross will take place on the Junior School, Newtownkennedy Street Site on Tuesday 27th March 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 27th March for Nursery children and Years 1 and 2 children.

Nursery children and years 1 and 2 children are very welcome to attend the Stations. They must be accompanied 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 26th March \*

## **School Closure for Easter**

School will close at 12 Noon on Holy Thursday (29th March) for the Easter Break. School will reopen again as usual on Monday 9th April.

We take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy and Holy Easter.

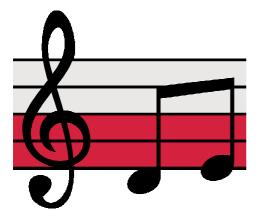




### **Strabane Music Feis** From Thursday 22nd March until Monday 26th March

We also strongly promote and encourage Music Feis as a means of developing confidence in our children so that they feel more comfortable singing and performing in front of an audience from such a young age.

We are a music/drama/performance rich school where children's talents are identified, nurtured and fully developed so that they have an avenue of expression in



an atmosphere of care and encouragement. Strabane Music Feis is on from Thursday 22nd March until Monday 26th March.

If you enrolled your child for this wonderful opportunity in January 2018, then they will have been given a Feis Entry Card by their teacher in school detailing the competition date, venue and time.

If you have not received this card yet then please ask your child's teacher. Children should be taken to the competition by their parents but if you are unable to do this during the school day then please consult your child;s teacher.

Your child will have been prepared for the Music Feis by our teachers in school. It is to be noted that regardless of the adjudication at Feis, every child who participated in Feis shall receive a certificate for this from our school ....so that everyone will feel valued for trying so hard!

#### Below is an outline of the Feis Competitions and when they will be on.

Day/Date	Time	Competition No	Year Group	Activity
Thursday 22-3-18	9.30am	50a	Year 6	Girls Song Brahms Lullaby
Thursday 22-3-18	10.00am	63	Foundation Choir	Year 1 and 2 Choir
Thursday 22-3-18	10.20am	64	Key Stage 1 Choir	Year 3 and 4 Choir
Thursday 22-3-18	10.35am	70	S.E.N. Choir	Knockavoe School
Thursday 22-3-18	11.30am	50b	Year 6	Girls Song Brahms Lullaby
Thursday 22-3-18	1.15pm	59	Year 6	Boys Song Working on the Railroad
Thursday 22-3-18	1.55pm	60	Year 7	Boys Song Waltzing Matilda
Thursday 22-3-18	2.30pm	48a	Year 4	Girls Song Floating Down the River
Thursday 22-3-18	3.10pm	48b	Year 4	Girls Song Floating Down the River
Thursday 22-3-18	4.05pm	57a	Year 4	Boys Song Do your ears hang low?
Thursday 22-3-18	4.30pm	57b	Year 4	Boys Song Do your ears hang low?
Thursday 22-3-18	5.00pm	51	Year 7	Girls Song My Singing Bird
Friday 23-1-18	9.15am	56a	Year 2	Boys Song The Animals went 2 by 2
Friday 23-1-18	10.00am	65	Small Unison Choir	
Friday 23-1-18	10.30am	67	Small Harmony Choir	
Friday 23-1-18	10.45am	69	Light Entertainment Choir	
Friday 23-1-18	11.15am	58	Year 5	Boys Song The Marvellous Toy
Friday 23-1-18	11.40am	62a 1	Year 5	Sacred Solo Let there be peace shared among us.
Friday 23-1-18	1.15pm	62a 2	Year 5	Sacred Solo Let there be peace shared among us.

Friday 23-1-18	1.55pm	62b 1	Year 6	Sacred Solo Let there be peace shared among us.
Friday 23-1-18	2.35pm	62b 2	Year 6	Sacred Solo Let there be peace shared among us.
Friday 23-1-18	3.30pm	62b 3	Year 6	Sacred Solo Let there be peace shared among us.
Friday 23-1-18	4.10pm	62c 1	Year 7	Sacred Solo Let there be peace shared among us.
Friday 23-1-18	4.50pm	62c 2	Year 7	Sacred Solo Let there be peace shared among us.
Saturday 24-3-18	9.30am	47a	Year 3	Girls Song Little Nut Tree
Saturday 24-3-18	10.05am	47b	Year 3	Girls Song Little Nut Tree
Saturday 24-3-18	11.00am	44a	Nursery	Girls Song Big Bass Drum
Saturday 24-3-18	11.35am	44b	Nursery	Girls Song Big Bass Drum
Saturday 24-3-18	12.10pm	44c	Nursery	Girls Song Big Bass Drum
Saturday 24-3-18	1.45pm	54a	Year 1	Boys Song Down in the Grass
Saturday 24-3-18	2.15pm	54b	Year 1	Boys Song Down in the Grass
Saturday 24-3-18	2.45pm	54c	Year 1	Boys Song Down in the Grass
Saturday 24-3-18	3.15pm	49a	Year 5	Girls Song Honey for Breakfast
Saturday 24-3-18	4.05pm	49b	Year 5	Girls Song Honey for Breakfast
Saturday 24-3-18	4.40pm	56b	Year 3	Boys Song The Animals went in 2 by 2
Sunday 25-3-18	10.00am	49c	Year 5	Girls Song Honey for Breakfast
Sunday 25-3-18	10.40am	47c	Year 3	Girls Song Little Nut Tree
Sunday 25-3-18	11.15am	45a	Year 1	Girls Song Miss Polly
Sunday 25-3-18	11.55am	45b	Year 1	Girls Song Miss Polly
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Sunday 25-3-18	12.30pm	45c	Year 1	Girls Song Miss Polly
Sunday 25-3-18	1.50pm	53a	Nursery	Boys Song Big Bass Drum
Sunday 25-3-18	2.15pm	53b	Nursery	Boys Song Big Bass Drum
Sunday 25-3-18	3.00pm	80a	Year 4 and 5	JUNIOR MUSICAL THEATRE
Sunday 25-3-18	3.45pm	80b	Year 6	JUNIOR MUSICAL THEATRE
Sunday 25-3-18	4.45pm	80c	Year 7	JUNIOR MUSICAL THEATRE
Sunday 25-3-18	6.00pm		Year 5	Lily Craig Memorial Cup Sacred Solo Most Promising Year 5 Singer
Sunday 25-3-18	6.30pm		Year 6/7	John Kerr Memorial Cup Sacred Solo Most Promising Year 6/7 Singer
Sunday 25-3-18	7.00pm			Sr Ursula Mc Hugh Memorial Cup Most Promising Boy Singer
Sunday 25-3-18	7.20pm			Sr Ursula Mc Hugh Memorial Cup Most Promising Boy Singer
Monday 26-3-18	9.30am	66		Large UNISON Choir
Monday 26-3-18	10.30am	68		Large HARMONY Choir
Monday 26-3-18	11.30am	46b	Year 2	Girls Song Lavenders Blue
Monday 26-3-18	1.15pm	46c	Year 2	Girls Song Lavenders Blue
Monday 26-3-18	1.50pm	55a	Year 2	Boys Song Three Furry Cats
Monday 26-3-18	2.20pm	55b	Year 2	Boys Song Three Furry Cats
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Monday 26-3-18	3.00pm	46a	Year 2	Girls Song Lavenders Blue
Monday 26-3-18	4.00pm		Year 6/7	JUNIOR MUSICAL THEATRE CUP Competition
Monday 26-3-18	4.25pm	8a	Year 8/9	Senior Sacred Solo
Monday 26-3-18	5.05pm	8b	Year 10/11	Senior Scared Solo
Monday 26-3-18	5.40pm	8c	Year 12/14	Senior Sacred Solo
Monday 26-3-18	6.10pm	7a	Year 8/9	SENIOR MUSICAL THEATRE
Monday 26-3-18	6.50pm	7b	Year 10/11	SENIOR MUSICAL THEATRE
Monday 26-3-18	7.30pm	7c	Year 12/14	SENIOR MUSICAL THEATRE



# PATHS Programme in St. Catherine's

(Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies)

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

Sometimes saying "I'm sorry" seems to be too hard to do. Maybe you can apologise indifferent ways – shake hands; share something or give a compliment.



# **Prayer of the Month March**

Each day I will ask Jesus to help me say, 'Please', 'Thank You' and 'I'm Sorry' more often, at home, in school and in my community.

