

# St. Catherine's Primary School

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## WEEKLY NOTE - Monday 14th May 2018

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## Success for our Netball Team

Well done to all our Netball Team Girls who won the tournament on Friday 11th May. You played really well and we are so proud of you!

Well done to all the children from all other schools who took part. Many thanks to Marty Gormley for coaching our girls! Great day for sport!



## Lego Exhibition and Competition

Huge thanks and well done to each and every child who took the time and made the effort to design, build and display their Lego Creations on Friday in school. You are all so talented and creative.....the engineers, designers and architects of the future!! Many thanks also to our amazing parents who supported our wee children in this venture. Well done to all!

*God bless you all! Bridget Wilders, Principal*

# Further news for Parents of Year 6 Pupils

Strabane Academy has sent information to us that they are hosting a meeting for the parents of Year 6 Pupils on Thursday 17th May at 7.30pm in the Derry Road Campus.. The purpose of the meeting is an information evening regarding transfer for any pupils who would consider Strabane Academy as a Post Primary School for their child in September 2019.

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## News for Parents of Year 7 Pupils Transferring to Post Primary

Strabane Academy will host an Induction Morning for Year 7 Pupils who are transferring to the school on Friday 15th June . More details will follow.

Holy Cross College will also host their Induction Day on Friday 8th June. Children should be taken to the college by their parents in their FULL WINTER ST CATHERINES UNIFORM on this day and need to be collected again by parents after.

Any child who has indicated that they wish to transfer to Drumragh Integrated College should attend an Induction Day on Friday 8th June. More details will follow.

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## Rotary Club Choir Competition DVD RELEASE!

DVD's of the Rotary Club choir event are now available to purchase for a wee souvenir at a cost of £5. They are available from the Clerical Officers on either site! They are just fab....a lovely souvenir!

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### COMMUNITY NOTICE

There will be a Charity Coffee  
Morning in the Koram Centre on  
**Saturday 19th May @ 11am**  
**ALL WELCOME!**





Supporting separated dads in NI

## **Parenting NI Calling out to DADs**

What is the Parenting NI Dads Project?

'The Dads Project' will support dads living throughout Northern Ireland who are separating, separated or currently involved within the courts service.

The Dads Project will support separated dads by promoting their engagement and involvement in the lives of their children, families and community.

The project will aim to develop their confidence in their parenting ability and to build positive social connections and relationships with other dads in their community.

The project will educate and influence professionals in providing tools and skills to reduce barriers and change society's perception by raising the profile of Dads and their huge importance to the overall outcomes of their children when actively involved in their lives as well as mums, which will provide a lasting legacy of the project.

Aims of the Dads Project:

- Provide a range of services to empower and support separated dads
- Provide Dads with knowledge, information and choices.
- Educate practitioners/professionals on the importance of ongoing engagement with dads
- Promote the importance of children having an ongoing relationship with their dad
- Influence policy change to ensure dads are considered on an equal basis to mothers
- Promote children's rights to having access to both parents





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# Supporting separated dads in Northern Ireland



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# WHAT WE DO

The Dads Project support dads throughout Northern Ireland who are separating, separated and currently involved within the courts service.

We aim to:

- Promote the involvement of dads in children's lives.
- Develop dads' confidence in their parenting ability.
- Help dads to build relationships with other dads in their community.
- Enable dads to explore their situation and provide options for finding solutions.

# HOW WE CAN HELP

We provide a range of services for dads to get support with the challenges of separation.

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## CONTACT

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# Summer Uniform

Every Year around the beginning of May we switch to our Summer Uniform..... weather permitting of course! Children may wear their Summer Uniform from Tuesday 8th May onwards .... Hopefully the weather will reflect SUMMER!

Our Summer Uniform is as follows.....

**Girls:** Blue/ White Summer Dress , white socks (full length or ankle socks) and black shoes. Current school jumper or cardigan can also be worn with their dress.

**Boys:** Plain white poloshirt, PLAIN NAVY Shorts or school navy trousers, black/ navy socks, black shoes or PLAIN BLACK Trainers. Current school jumper or cardigan can also be worn.

It is to be noted that our Summer School Uniform is NOT compulsory and parents need not feel under any pressure to purchase it. If parents do not wish to use the Summer Uniform the current uniform is fine. Many thanks!

It is to be noted also that little Nursery Pupils (poloshirt with logo, sweatshirt with logo and navy jogging bottoms) wear the same Uniform all year round.

## Summer Uniform

### Girls



Light blue and white checked dress

White full length/ ankle socks



Children can wear their Jumper/ Cardigan all year round

### Boys



White polo shirt  
Navy trouser shorts/ trousers  
Navy/ black socks

All children should wear plain black shoes/ trainers



# MORE Uniform NEWS!!

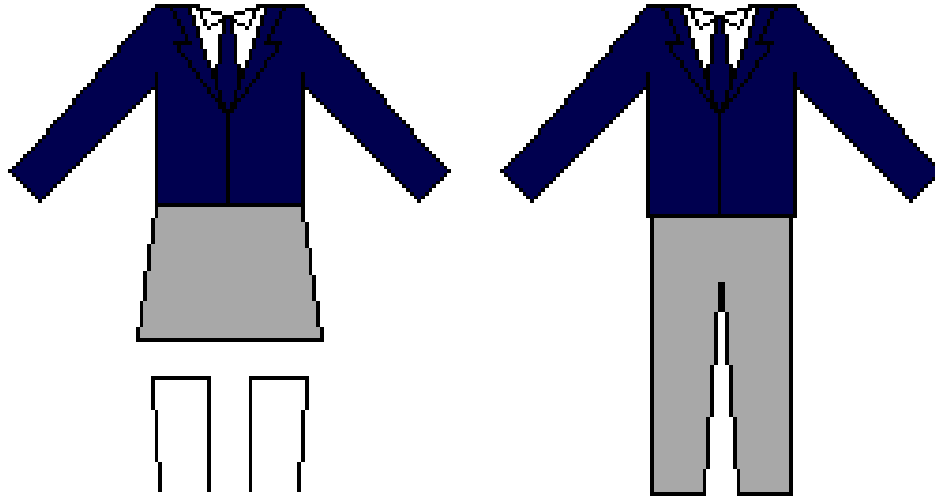
As you know, our Uniform Supplier is SELECT KIDZ who are based in Derry.

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.

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 2nd May 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL
- Wednesday 16th May 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL
- Wednesday 30th May 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL
- Wednesday 13th June 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL
- Wednesday 27th June 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL

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## Uniform DEALS May/June!!

### Boys

1 X Trousers

2 X Shirts

1 X Jumper

**£35**

### Girls

1 X Kilt

2 X Blouses

1 X Jumper

**£55**

*Come to meet Select Kidz Staff at any of the Savings Club Sessions for further information.*

# End of Year School Trips for our Pupils

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

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1 & 2	Tuesday	12th June	Lesiureland Redcastle, Moville
3 & 4	Tuesday	12th June	Brunswick, Derry
5	Wednesday	13th June	Brunswick, Derry
7	Thursday	14th June	Brunswick, Derry
6	Friday	15th June	Brunswick, Derry

Year 1 and 2 pupils will enjoy all the rides free at Leisureland and a meal as well as the cost of the bus.....a great day out!

Year 3-4 pupils will enjoy a fab play session in Bananas, a movie in the Cinema and a meal.....fun fun fun!!

Year 5-7 pupils will enjoy a game of bowls, a movie in the Cinema and a meal.....great craic for our older pupils!!

The cost of the trip for each child is £14. This includes all the activities mentioned above. If you would like to book a place for your child on their class trip please sign the attached booking form and send the fee or a deposit to their class teacher by MONDAY 21st MAY .

#stcatherinesonthemove

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## Shared Prayer Assemblies Coming Up (Dates for your diary)

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Day/Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>
7	Friday 25th May	1.30pm	Senior School
2	Wednesday 30th May	10am	Junior School
1	Friday 15th June	10am	Junior School

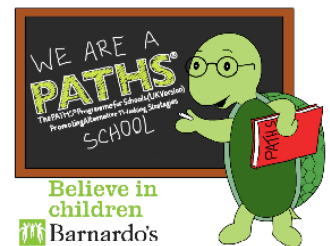
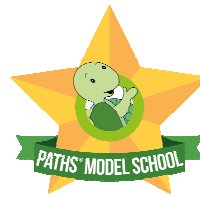
Parents and families of pupils in each Year are warmly invited to the Shared Prayer Assemblies. These are always lovely, spiritual, quality events. Enjoy!



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

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

*Good manners are GOOD for you! They almost always come with a smile and sometimes even a hug. They are like boomerangs, when you send them out with good intentions, they nearly always come back the same way. Send out your good manners today!*



## **Prayer of the Month May**

### ***PRAYER TO MARY***

*Mary, mother of Jesus,  
I want to live and love like you  
I want to love the Father  
I want to love like Jesus.*

*Mother of Jesus, blessed are you.  
Mother of Jesus, my mother too.  
Help me to live like Jesus  
And help me to live like you.  
AMEN*





## End of Year Trips

I would like to book a place for my child on the End of Year Trip this Year and I enclose the payment below.

Full payment £14

Deposit £5

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

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

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

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