#### St. Catherine's Primary School



# Sports Days NEWS!!!

**Nursery Sports Day** is planned for Thursday 31st May at 10am in the Senior School Site (WEATHER PERMITTING).

**Years 1,2,3 and 4 Pupils** will have their Sports Day Events at 1.30pm in the Senior School Grounds on Thursday 31st May (WEATHER PERMITTING).

**Years5,6, and 7 Pupil**s will have their Sports Day Events at 1.30pm in the Senior School Grounds on Friday 1st June (WEATHER PERMITTING).

#### **Success for our Netball Team**

Well done to all our YEAR 6 Netball Team Girls who won the tournament on Friday 18th May. You played really well and we are so proud of you! Two weeks in a row ...we are so pleased that both Year 7 and Year 6 Girls won the tournaments and show such skills and agility in Netball.

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!

God bless you all! Bridget Wilders, Principal

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

Year Group	Day/Date	Time	Place
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!

#### 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.

Any parent who wishes to enter their child for Entrance Assessments to gain access to schools that require entrance exams should register their children between 14th May 2018 and 21st September 2018. Schools cannot register children, parents only can do this. If you have any further queries at all please do not hesitate to contact the Principal.

### 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.

Any child who is transferring to St Columb's College should attend an Induction Day on Friday 8th June. Children should arrive for 9.15am and be collected from the college again at 11.45am.

## **Top Tips for Positive Parenting**

The Department of Education and the Department of Health have produced a guide for Positive Parenting for Younger Children and a Guide for Positive Parenting of Teenagers. This can be access from the website at the following link. It is certainly a good guide for us all, well worth a read!

www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/top-tips-parents



## **MORE Uniform NEWS!!**

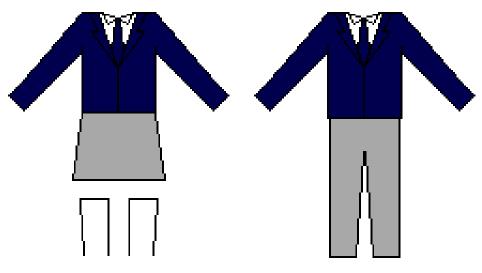
As you know, our Uniform Supplier is SELECT KIDZ who are based in Derry.

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 evey 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

## **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.



Our Year 4 Children will make their First Holy Communion on Saturday 26th May at 11am. Children should be at the church in their seats no later than 10.45am. This is always such a special occasion for Home-School-Parish.

Year 4 Pupils will get out of school at 1.15pm on Friday 25th May so that they and their families can prepare for the big day!!

The School Photographer will be in school on Monday 29th May in order to take special photos of our Year 4 in their First Holy Communion outfits. Parents can accompany their children to this photoshoot if they prefer.

The FINAL Do This in Memory Mass to celebrate Corpus Christi will take place at 12 Noon in the Church of the Immaculate Conception. We look forward to seeing all our Year 4 Children and their families at this mass.

## **School Closure REMINDER**

School will be closed on Monday 28th May for pupils as it is a Staff Training Day.





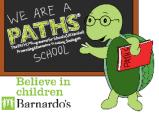
#### **PATHS Programme in St. Catherine's** (Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies)

#### **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

