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St. Mary's Primary School Parents' Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES

Primary 7 Pupils

Ceremony of Light in preparation for Confirmation: **Tuesday 10th March** in St Mary and St Joseph's Church, Brackaville @7:30pm

Confirmation Ceremony: **Thursday 2nd April** in Church of the Holy Family, Coalisland @ 5pm

Primary 4 Pupils

First Confession: **Wednesday 1st March** in St Mary's Church, Stewartstown @ 7:30pm

First Holy Communion: **Saturday 9th May at 11 am** in St Mary's Church, Stewartstown

Coalisland Feis

Thank you for your returns for Coalisland Feis. It is lovely to see this tradition alive and well in school and a great confidence booster for the children.

Don't forget the feis takes place on **Saturday 14th March** in St Joseph's College Coalisland.

Most children wear their school uniform to this event. Event times to follow.

We will support the children in their preparation for their story and also you can log on to

<http://www.cairdeuineill.org>

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

School will be closed on

Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th March

School closes for Easter on **Thursday 9th April** at 11am and reopens for third term on **Monday 20th April**

SBNI APP for Parents Carers and Professionals.

The Safeguarding Board for Northern Ireland (NI) has relaunched their safeguarding app for parents, carers and professionals. This is a very useful tool to have on your phone giving instant access to local and regional support services, information on safeguarding issues, access to the regional child protection policy and procedures, and a range of resources. The App provides regular ongoing up-dates and short videos on new, emerging themes and risks in the on-line world.

Thank-you to the Keystone Group for kindly sponsoring St Mary's. This is to be a yearly occurrence and we are truly delighted. A special word of thanks to Nicola Coyle who has been our liaison with Keystone.

Birthdays Celebrations in March

Amelia Wylie
Eimear Hagan
Emer Hamill
Rosa McIlhatton
Amy Louise Glackin
Holly McElhatton
Jane Martin
Oisin Bleeks
Sinead Devlin
Patricia Coyle
Patricia Kells

TROCAIRE

This year our fundraising effort for Trocaire will again be in conjunction with our 'Break Time Healthy Snack' costing 20p per day, commencing **Tuesday 10th March.**

Every pupil in each class will be asked to contribute to the sale. Further details will be sent home when their actual turn comes around.

Week 1: Mr Reilly's class

Week 2: Mrs Hamill's class

Week 3: Mrs Duffy's class

Week 4: Mr McGahan's class

A big thank you in advance for your support and generosity for this very worthwhile charity.

St Patrick's Celebrations

Wear your green in style at St Mary's on **Friday 13th March**. School will celebrate with Irish dancing, language and music. Calling all Irish dancers to have a routine ready!

Swimming School Gala

Congratulations to the boys and girls who represented the school at the recent 'Schools Gala' in Cookstown Leisure Centre. We are proud of your achievements in the pool.

World Book Day- Thursday 5th March

Come to school dressed as a character from your favourite book. A £1 donation is kindly requested.

DATES FOR THE DIARY: MARCH

Date	Event
5 th	School Council Meeting
5 th	World Book Day
6 th	P1/P2 Shared Education @ Ballytrea PS
10 th	P6/P7 Trocaire Breaks
10 th	P7 Ceremony of Light
11 th	P4 First Confession
13 th	St Patrick's Green Day – Irish dancing, language and music
14 th	FEIS
16 & 17 th	School Closed
18 th	P4/P5 Trocaire Breaks
24 th	School welcomes Mrs M. Hampsey for Religious Adviser Visit
24 th	P2/P3 Trocaire Breaks
24 th	P4/P5 Shared Education @ Ballytrea PS
27 th	Assembly
27 th	Whole School Mass
31 st	P2/P3 Shared Education @ Ballytrea
31 st	P1/P2 Trocaire Breaks

EDUCATION AUTHORITY (SOUTHERN REGION) CATERING SERVICES



MARCH SCHOOL MEALS



	Week com: 2nd March	Week com: 9 th March	Week com: 16 th March	Week com: 23 rd March
Monday	Savoury Mince Chicken Goujons Peas and Corn Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Shortbread Fruit and Custard	Pasta bolognaise and Garlic Bread Barbecued Chicken Drumsticks Carrots & peas Mashed potatoes gravy Fruit sponge cake	SC	Savoury Mince Fish Fingers Peas and Carrots Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Semolina and Fruit
Tuesday	Chicken Curry and Rice Fish Fingers Peas/Beans/Pasta Chips /Mashed Pots/Gravy Chocolate Muffin Cake and Custard	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Tuna Wraps Peas & sweetcorn Chips & mashed potatoes Apple crumble Custard	SC	Pepperoni or Cheese and Tomato Pizza Chicken Pasta Bake Peas and Corn/Pasta Chips/Mashed Pots Gravy Swiss Roll and Custard
Wednesday	Roast Chicken Stuffing Chicken Chilli Wraps Carrots/Peas Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Swiss Roll Custard	Chicken Curry Rice Fish Fingers/Salmon Bites Baked Beans/Peas Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Jelly and Fruit	Steak Burger and Bap Tuna Wraps Chips/Pasta/Pots/Gravy Peas and Beans Shortbread and Custard	Roast Chicken/Stuffing or Chicken Chilli Wraps Carrots/Peas/Gravy Pasta/Mashed Pots Chocolate Sponge and Custard
Thursday	WORLD BOOK DAY Cocktail Sausages Mini Pizza Salad/Pasta Diced Cubes	Roast Turkey & Stuffing or Chicken Chilli Wrap Carrots and Broccoli Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Chocolate Cookie and Custard	Roast Chicken Chilli Chicken Wraps Broccoli and Carrots Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Krispie Square and Custard	Home-made Veg and Chicken Soup Butcher Burger and Bap Selection of Bread Onions/Salad/Cheese Jelly and Fruit
Friday	Home-Made Vegetable or Chicken Soup Butchers Burgers and Baps Selection of Bread Cheese and Salad Chocolate Cookie /Milk Shake	BANK HOLIDAY BRUNCH Oven Baked Sausage Grilled Bacon Scrambled Egg/Beans Toast/Diced Cubes Artic Roll and Fruit	MARCH SPECIAL Cocktail Sausages Mini Pizza Salad Bar/Pasta Diced Cubes Ice-cream Tub and Fruit	Chicken Nuggets (oven cooked) Tuna Wraps Corn /Beans Chips/Pasta/Mashed Pots/Gravy Frozen Mousse

