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### Week beginning Monday 16th April 2018

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Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Parent & toddlers 9.15-11am. Everyone welcome	
	Swimming starts for Y5. Remember gear, towel, £2 & goggle. £1 refundable for locker	
	Confirmation practice in Bellaghy (am)	
	Y6 & 7 Camogie/hurling in school (pm)	
	<ul> <li>Y6 Literacy &amp; Numeracy aftersch</li> </ul>	ool 3-4pm
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Caitlin Craig representing NRPS at EcoSpeak (am)	
	<ul> <li>Y4 Camogie/hurling in school. He</li> </ul>	elmets and hurls provided. Bring outdoor PE gear.
	Y5 sports for Life (in school 11am)	
	<ul> <li>Confirmation in Bellaghy 5pm. Cl</li> </ul>	nildren involved go home at 1pm.
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Fundamentals with Eoin Ulster GAA for Y1-3.	
	<ul> <li>Y2 wear gear &amp; change into uniform. Y3 bring in gear.</li> </ul>	
	Violin lessons	
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> April	flute/clarinet lessons	
	Y7 Shared Education activities in NRPS 9.45-12 noon	
	Y6 parent information meeting (individual)	
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> April	guitar lessons	
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Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Friends of New Row AGM 7pm	
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> April	<del>Y7 Assembly</del> postponed	
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed (Bank holiday)	
Sports Day for all Y1 – 7 pupils in St Malachy's GAC grounds, Brough.		
Option 1: Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> June		Option 2 (if necessary): Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> June

- Well done to Y6 who were great leaders at our monthly mass. Their preparation made it another very special opportunity for the school to join in faith with the community.
- Reminder: Y6 parent meetings take place later this week. Please return replies ASAP.
- We hope you found the Education City information letter useful. Remember, if you have any access or technology issues, these should be discussed with Mrs Graffin directly who will contact Education City on your behalf. This is very important as your child's use of Education City is monitored by school. Please sign and return the read receipt at the bottom of the letter. The class with most returns will get a special treat!
- Confirmation takes place in St. Mary's Church, Bellaghy tomorrow (Tuesday) at 5pm. The children attended a retreat last week and their participation and general behaviour was very highly praised by the organisers and Monsignor Dolan. See overleaf for information on arrangements for tomorrow. Those children involved finish school at 1pm tomorrow.
- Huge thanks to Sportique who have just donated a free team kit for our school! We are the lucky recipients as Brenda O'Kane submitted a competition form when buying Maebh's & Tomas's uniform last summer. Thanks, Brenda! Can't wait to see it when our crest has been added!
- Well done to the Cross Country runners in the South Derry event last week. It was blustery but they pushed on and got some excellent individual times. No silverware this time but it's not far away!
- Break and milk money for April: Break £4.50: pay canteen, Milk £4: pay office. Please pay ASAP. Many thanks for your continued support

## Holidays 2018/19

Holidays for next year will be finalised and circulated soon. However, if parents are interested in booking holidays, leave etc. it may be useful to know midterm holidays:

Term 1: Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018

Term 2: Mon 18th Feb – Fri 22nd Feb 2019

Term 3: no block week. Bank holidays/additional

days to be confirmed when finalised.

### **Confirmation: Bellaghy Parish**

Tuesday 17th April at 5pm

- Children wear their own clothes and should arrive no earlier than 4.30pm and no later than 4.45pm
- Seats are reserved for the confirmants who will sit together at the front of the church.
- One seat per child is reserved for their chosen sponsor. All sponsors will sit together at the front of the church. Sponsors should report to a teacher on arrival to be directed to their assigned seat.
- There is no reserved seating for family members, so arrive early!
- A parish photographer will take a photo of every child as they are confirmed and a group photo.
- Everyone is very welcome for refreshments and an opportunity to get an individual photograph with Bishop McKeown at the parish hall.



# Congratulations St Malachy's GAC U14 Camogs Feile Shield Champions!

Well done to the many past pupils and management who overcame a challenging Greenlough side to take the title yesterday.

### Lateness

We have been reminded of our responsibility to monitor lateness. As of this week, any parent/child arriving late (i.e. after 9.10am) should report to the office and supply a reason, which will be recorded. It is understandable that it is difficult for a child to enter a class where everyone has already settled into learning.

General reminder:

- In the interests of Health & Safety and Child Protection, anyone collecting/returning a child should sign them in/out in the office using the new 'out/in' book is in use.
- Contact the school if your child will be off due to illness and send in a note to the teacher on their first day back.

# Friends of New Row

## AGM: Mon 23rd April @ 7pm

Calling all parents: We need you!

Friends of New Row AGM takes place next Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 7pm in New Row PS. We have had a fantastic year and need to make sure that we represent all classes and a range of views. We are especially keen to involve more parents of Year 1 & 2 pupils. See you there!

### **Easter Draw: THANK YOU!**

As part of our commitment to thank our sponsors, a list of their names are included in two newsletters, so in case you missed them last week, here's a reminder!

We were delighted with the success of our Easter Raffle. You helped us raise £1,800.70 which will be put to excellent use by the school. The focus is on continuing to refurbish the rooms.

Thank you to all the businesses and friends of New Row for their donations If any business or anyone is missing, let us know immediately so we can ensure they are recognised.

AJ2 Jewellers - Amy Rose Flowers
Ash Blondes - Barber Shop
Bellaghy Pharmacy - Belle Beauty
Beth's - Chic Hair studio - Ditty's
Forbes Furniture - Fruit Shop (Castledawson)
Gems - Gerard's Flowers

Lloyds Pharmacy - Make up by Eileen Meadowlane Shopping Centre McKeever's Pharmacy (Castledawson) McGlaughlin's Pharmacy - Montgomery's O'Brien's Pharmacy - ROK Hair studio SD Sports – Sportique - Vivo Granville And all parents/families who donated prizes

Thanks also to our special friend the Easter Bunny who delivered an Easter egg for every pupil in our school