

St Mary's Primary School, Cushendall Parent Information – February 2024



Dear Parent / Guardian

ADMISSION TO POST PRIMARY EDUCATION 2024-2025:

Please note that the EA Application Process for applying for a Post-Primary place closes at 12noon on Thursday 22nd February 2024. Applications can be made via the online portal https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions If you require any help please feel to contact the school at any time.

WORLD BOOK DAY

We will be celebrating 'World Book Day' on Thursday, 7th March, as part of the fun planned for the day, children can come dressed as their favourite book character and bring their favourite book with them. Please do not go to any expense buying outfits for the day. Uniform must be worn if children not dressing up. We are asking for a £2 donation for each child to go towards library resources.

ST PATRICK'S DAY

Everyone is asked to wear something green on Thursday 14th March as we celebrate St Patrick's Day in school. Children can wear one green thing or come completely dressed in green. It's up to you! The day is a non-uniform day and fun activities will take place during the day.

FIRST CONFESSION

Children in Primary 3 will be making their First Confession in the Church on **Thursday 21st March 2024** at **1.00pm**. Further details will be sent home at a later date.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG ROLLING FUN

As yet, no date has been set but it will definitely be held during the week beginning Monday 25th – the week we get our Easter holidays. Children wishing to take part in our 'Easter Egg Roll' are asked to paint a hard-boiled egg and bring it to school on the day, we will let you know the date when we have an idea of the weather forecast for that week.

EASTER DISCO

We will also be holding an Easter Disco during the week of 25th March – more details to follow!

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 21 st February	Cumann na mBunscol KS2 Fun Blitz
Friday 1 st March	SUSTRANS 'Ditch The Stabilisers' Day P1 – P3
Friday 15 th & Monday 18 th March	Primary School & Nursery Unit Closed

Thursday 21 st March	First Confessions at 1.00pm – Primary 3
Thursday 28 th March	PS will close at 11.00am & there will be no Afternoon Nursery Session
Friday 29th March – Friday 5th April	Easter Holidays <i>(please note on Thursday 28th March PS will close at 11.00am & there will be no Afternoon Nursery Session)</i>
Friday 19th April	Cumann na mBunscol Outdoor Blitz KS1
Friday 26 th April	Cumann na mBunscol Outdoor Blitz KS2
Friday 3 rd & Monday 6 th May	May Holiday
Friday 10 th May	Cumann na mBunscol Outdoor Hurling Blitz
Saturday 18th May	First Holy Communion at 11.00am– Primary 4
Thursday 23 rd May	Confirmation at 1.00pm– Primary 7
Friday 24 th – Tuesday 28 th May	Primary School & Nursery Unit Closed
Friday 7 th June	Cumann na mBunscol Skills Day
Friday 28 th June	Last day of School / Nursery for the 23-24 school year. (please note PS will close at 11.00am & there will be no Afternoon Nursery Session)

As always please ensure we have your most up to date contact information on file and continue to regularly check your emails (including junk folder), our website <u>www.stmaryspscushendall.com</u> and Facebook page. It is also important to inform us if you have changed address, so our records are accurate.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or email <u>info@stmarysps.cushendall.ni.sch.uk</u>.

The majority of our correspondence with you will now be via email so it is vital that you regularly check for new information.

Mrs Helen Magee

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