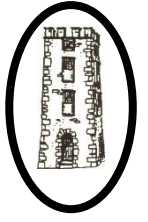




# St Mary's Primary School, Cushendall

## Parent Information

### January – February 2019



### All Ireland Semi Final Maroon & White Day

To support the Ruairí Óg Senior Hurlers and wish them a massive Good Luck we would ask everyone to wear the Maroon & White colours to welcome some very special visitors to St Mary's tomorrow, Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January, they might even bring along the All County & Ulster Championship Cups.

Christine has been into school to practise the Ruairí Óg Supporters song & 'The Green Glens of Antrim' to get everyone ready for the 'Big Match' in Parnell Park, Dublin on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

### Catholic Schools Week:

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January**, is our Grandparents' Morning beginning with an Assembly in the Primary School Hall at 11.00a.m. followed by tea/coffee. Everyone is welcome to visit their grandchildren in their classes. This has always been a lovely morning in school and we hope everyone will be able to be represented.

On **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January** from 11.00a.m. to 12 noon, grandparents, parents and other adults are invited into school to help the children make St Brigid's crosses.

### Open Enrolment 2019-2020:

**Primary One September 2019:** Children born on or between 2 July 2014 & 1 July 2015.

**Nursery September 2019: Target Age:** Children born on or between 2 July 2015 & 1 July 2016.

**Under Age:** Children born on or between 2 July 2016 & 1 July 2017.

The closing date & time for Primary School & Nursery applications for September 2019 is 12 midnight on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January. Applications should be completed via the online portal <https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions> Paper versions of the Application forms are also from the school office.

**Supporting Documentation should be brought to your 1<sup>st</sup> preference school/nursery by 12noon on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018.**

### Admission To Post Primary Education 2019-2020:

Post primary transfer forms should be returned to the school office by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

## Parent / Teacher Meetings

Meetings for parents of children in Primaries 1, 2 & 3 to discuss academic progress will take place on the following dates:

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February            2.00p.m. – 3.00p.m. (Primaries 1-3)  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February       2.00p.m. – 3.00p.m. (Primaries 1-3)  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February         2.00p.m. – 3.00p.m. (Primaries 1-3)

Everyone will receive a note with their appointment time, however if your time doesn't suit please contact your child's teacher to arrange another time.

**N.B.** Primary 3 will finish class at 2.00p.m. on the above dates.

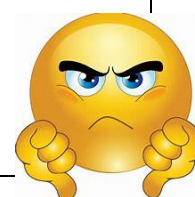
## 'Walk To School' Days:

The date for February is Friday 8<sup>th</sup> and the usual procedures apply. Hopefully, the weather will be ok and everyone will be able to take part.

## Healthy Lunch Boxes:

On our return to school following Mid-Term Break we will be introducing our 'Healthy Lunchboxes' for every day and we would ask for your support. Children are not allowed to share food with others. Food not eaten will be returned home in lunchboxes to ensure that parents know what their child has or hasn't eaten. Fizzy drinks are not permitted at any time. On a Friday one small treat may be sent for lunchtime. Can I also remind you that St Mary's is a '**Nut Free Zone**' and children are asked not to bring nuts or products containing traces of nuts into school/nursery at any time.

Healthy Choices	Unhealthy Choices
Fruit	Dairylea Dunkers
Vegetables	Lunchables
Yoghurt	Ritz Crackers
Cheese	All Crisps
Pancakes	Chocolate
Rolls	Sweets
Wheaten Bread	Flavoured Water
Sandwiches	Croissants
Cream Crackers	Cereal Bars
Water	Milkshakes



## School Uniform:

Well done to all those children who come to school in full uniform every day! Thank you.

Can we remind everyone that girls should wear a maroon skirt/pinafore or plain black trousers and leggings should not be worn. Boys should also wear plain black trousers.

## Closure Due To Bad Weather:

Hopefully this will not happen but if it does everyone will be sent a text message from the school or information will be posted on our Facebook Page, School Website, [www.stmaryspscushendall.com](http://www.stmaryspscushendall.com) and the BBC NI News/School Closures website <http://www.bbc.co.uk/ninews>

## Important Dates:

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| Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019                        | - Staff Development Day<br>– Primary School & Nursery Unit Closed                              |
| Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February                            | - 1.00p.m. School Closing for Mid-Term Holiday<br>– There will be no Afternoon Nursery session |
| Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February | - Mid-Term Holiday   |
| Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March                               | - Staff Development Day<br>– Primary School & Nursery Unit Closed                              |
| Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2019                         | - Confirmation 4.00p.m. (P.7 pupils)   |
| Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2019                          | - First Holy Communion 11.00a.m. (P4 pupils)   |

*Mrs Helen Magee*

*Principál*

BA (QTS) Hons, PQH

# **Ruairí Óg**

## **Supporters' Song**

**I'm A Ruairí Óg Supporter  
A Ruairí Óg-er do or die  
A real fanatic in Maroon and White  
Onwards, forever, our cry**

**We've got a pocket full of medals  
Everyone our pride and joy  
I'm a Ruairí. Up the Ruairíes  
Up the mighty Ruairíes  
I am a Ruairí do or die.**

**I said that  
I'm a Ruairí Óg supporter .....**

**I am a Ruairí do or die  
Onwards forever is our cry  
I am a Ruairí do or die  
Up the Ruairíes!!!!**

