



# June

## 2018

### IMPORTANT DATES

Wed –Thur	June 6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup>
Wed	June 13 <sup>th</sup>
Fri	June 15 <sup>th</sup>
Thur	June 21 <sup>st</sup>
Tue	June 26 <sup>th</sup>
Fri	June 29 <sup>th</sup>
Fri	Aug 31 <sup>st</sup>

**P7 Production of Mary Poppins (School closing at 2pm for all children)**  
**Truly Fare selling PE uniforms in school from 8.30am until 12 noon.**  
**P3-4 Sports Day (Weather permitting)**  
**P7 Leavers' Mass in St Therese of Lisieux Church at 5pm**  
**P7 Leavers' Disco at 1.30pm in school**  
**School closing at 12 noon for the summer holiday**  
**School opening for the new school year. School closing at 12 noon.**

### SACRAMENTS

Congratulations to our P4 children who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday. The ceremony was beautiful and we are all so proud of them. Thank you to everyone who donated biscuits and cakes for the tea afterwards. Thanks also to the PTA for giving the community a lovely opportunity to celebrate together after the ceremony.

### EXTENDED SCHOOLS

Afterschool clubs with the exception of the Breakfast Club will not take place this week -beginning June 4<sup>th</sup>. 123 Club will operate on Mon and Tue only. Clubs will resume next week for a fortnight.

### EXTENDED SCHOOLS IN 2018-19

We have recently been informed that we will no longer get funding from DE for extended schools provision. The NI Statistics and Research Agency have introduced a new Multiple Deprivation Measure which is used to decide eligibility. In the past funding was allocated based on electoral wards but now the allocation is based on Super Output Areas. We will endeavour to continue to offer a Breakfast Club and a variety of afterschool activities but it is likely that the cost of these will have to be increased.

### MORNING SUPERVISION

The playground is supervised from 8.45 am each morning. **Only children at the breakfast club should be in school before this time.**

### GDPR

Our new Data Protection Policy and a Privacy Notice for Pupils, Parents and Families is available on the school website. <http://stthereseoflisieux.co.uk/parents/parent-information/>

### TREK

All classes took part in TREK (Truth, Respect, Kindness and Empathy), a PDMU initiative, which focusses on recognising, respecting and accepting difference in our society. This is a cross-community project involving our local primary schools.

### MARY POPPINS

There are a small number of tickets left for the Wednesday night performance. **Please note that school is closing at 2pm on Wed and Thur for all children.**

P7 performers, as well as all of the Orchestra and Choir members should be back in school for 6.30 pm on the Wed and Thur evenings for the shows. The Orchestra members who are not in the choir should be collected at 7.20pm. We expect the show to be over around 9pm.

### CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to our boys' and girls' cross-country team who competed in a challenging race in the Ormeau Park. Joseph Lewis in P7 came 11<sup>th</sup> overall, making it through to the final on the 5<sup>th</sup> June and we wish him every success. Joseph also represented our school and county in a Cumann Na mBunscol Antrim Team in Pairc Esler during the Ulster Senior Championship match Antrim V's Down. He thoroughly enjoyed his day and was extremely grateful to experience the big occasion. Hopefully, we will see him playing senior football for his county in the years ahead.

### PE UNIFORMS

Truly Fare will have a stall in school on Wed June 13<sup>th</sup> selling PE uniforms, from 8.30am until noon. They will have stock to sell but they will also take orders. Please visit their website for further information [www.trulyfareuniforms.com](http://www.trulyfareuniforms.com) Alternatively PE uniforms can be purchased in the Kennedy Centre and 483 Falls Road.

## SPORTS DAY

A fantastic day of fun and competition was had by all at the KS2 and FS Sports Days. Congratulations to all medal winners and to everyone for talking part with such energy. Good luck to our P3s and P4s on Fri 15<sup>th</sup> June on their Sports Days. We hope the weather will be kind.

## GERARD LAWLOR TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to our Gaelic team on winning the Shield at the Gerard Lawlor tournament at St Enda's. Following the group stages, the team progressed to play in the supplementary competition and took on Bunscoil Bheann Mhadagain in the final. With accurate shooting, the boys went on to win comfortably and enjoyed their celebrations. Congratulations to everyone on the well-earned victory.



## CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE

Mrs. O' Prey's Primary 6 class are involved in a business called '2 Cool 4 School'. They are making amazing products like 'Balloon Shooters' and 'Pencil Toppers'. Much of the money raised will go to a charity called 'Children in Crossfire', a charity which helps children in Africa. The children would really appreciate your support as they have worked very hard on the design and production of their goods. A percentage of your kind donations will help less fortunate children. Their products will be going on sale on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

**Pencil Toppers £1.00 / Balloon Shooters £1.50  
DON'T MISS OUT!!!**

## MUSIC

Congratulations to some of our very talented musicians who, along with learning all the tunes for Mary Poppins, also prepared for their music exams. They all worked extremely hard and put a lot of time and effort into their practice and preparation which most certainly paid off. Good luck to the children with exams later in June.

<b>Flute</b> <b>Grade 1</b> Daire Cleland Clara O' Reilly Niamh Hindley Patrick Lewis <b>Grade 2</b> Alex McClure	<b>Violin</b> <b>Grade 1</b> Emily McCrudden TJ Donaghy  <b>Grade 3</b> Maria Watters
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**Huge congratulations to Maria Watters who won the Endeavour award from the CBSM, for her musicianship, commitment and enthusiasm in the Junior Orchestra.**

## ROOTS OF EMPATHY PROGRAMME

The Primary 5 children and their teachers would like to say a very special thank you to their Roots of Empathy babies – Noah and Aoife. Over the course of their monthly visits, the children have watched the babies grow and develop, learning first-hand about important milestones from their amazing baby teachers. 'Roots of Empathy' is a special PDMU programme which is proven to increase empathy among its participating students. We have loved having Noah and Aoife in Primary 5 this year. A special word of thanks also, to Noah and Aoife's Mums who brought them to school each month for our lessons. **We are currently looking for new babies to participate in our programme next year. They would need to be between 2-4 months old in September/October this year. Please ask Mrs Black or Ms Scannell for further details.**

## SLIME TIME

As part of the P6 Moneywise topic, Mr Reynold's class took part in setting up their own business, Slime Time, with the support and guidance of their Young Enterprise mentor. Slime Time has been an unbelievably popular product- all the stock sold out on the first day. The team had a second production day on Friday and sold out completely again by the end of the day. The children thoroughly enjoyed being their own bosses and gained some fabulous insights into the world of finance and financial capability. Many thanks for all your support.

## BOOK AMNESTY

We will be doing a stocktake of all reading schemes and novels during the week beginning June 18<sup>th</sup> and would appreciate greatly everyone having a good search for any school reading books that may have been mislaid during the past year(s). Some of our book sets have dwindled and we want to ensure that we have enough copies of each title for our reading groups.

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

The World Meeting of Families (WMOF), due to take place in Dublin on 22-26 August 2018, A full programme of activities and fun events will be available for children (4-12years) and young people (13-17 years) to enjoy. Details available at [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie)

## BELFAST MARATHON

Many congratulations to the large group of parents that took part in the Belfast Marathon to raise funds for 'Lighthouse' and 'The Tomorrow Fund'. They raised around £7000, a fantastic amount for two very worthwhile charities.

## HOLIDAY LIST 2018/19

The holiday list for 2018-19 is available on the school website.