



# St Brigid's Newsletter

## September 2019



Welcome back to school everyone!



Welcome back to school! We hope you all had a happy and relaxing Summer break and are looking forward to the opportunities ahead this academic year. A special warm welcome to our new Primary 1 pupils and other pupils who have joined St Brigid's Primary over the summer months. We welcome also Miss Connor to P1 to cover Mrs Mc Cavera's maternity leave and Miss Braniff is back with us for another year to cover Mrs Kelly's career break. Miss Cunningham will



be job sharing with Mrs Fegan on Thursday's and Friday's and Mrs McGrattan will be job sharing with Mrs Finnegan on Wednesday's. I wish you all a very happy and successful year.



### *Congratulations:*

Congratulations to Mrs Mc Cavera on the birth of her lovely baby daughter Ada Rose on 14th July, Miss Rodgers got married during the summer and is back with us as Mrs Lopez. Mrs Pyper got married during the course of last year and is back with us this September as Mrs Moore. We wish them all good health and happiness in their new roles in life.

The past few days have been very useful in helping embed those all-important routines and expectations in school. We thank you for helping us by sending your child into school well prepared and in full uniform.

We hope you will follow us on facebook where you will find useful Weekly updates and our website [stbrigidsprimaryschool.com](http://stbrigidsprimaryschool.com) and thro Schools NI App



### School Morning Routines

Pupils are welcome to enter the school grounds from 8.45 am when adults will be on duty in the Playgrounds. Please take note that pupils MUST NOT be left unsupervised in the school grounds before this time. After 9.00am children must enter the school by the main door.

## Breakfast Club...

A reminder that our Breakfast club runs each morning from 8.15 am. This year we have had to increase the cost of this to £1.00 per day. Only children who are attending



Breakfast club should be left to school before 8.45am. Children wishing to avail of the Breakfast Club Facility but not wishing to have breakfast should pay 50p to cover the cost of adult supervision.

## 'Scool' Club

We now offer after school care from 2.00pm until 5.00pm each day. This club is run by Miss Mc Quoid and Mrs Magee. The children can attend for an hour, 2 or 3 to meet your needs. This club offers a wide range of activities; eg construction, crafts, ICT, outdoor activities or the children can even complete their homework. There really is something for everyone. For further details speak to Mrs Moore in the office.

### *Safeguarding/ Child Protection*

If you have any worries or concerns about the welfare of your child or any other child in St Brigid's Primary School you should speak with either Ms Lloyd (V.P) or if she is not available Mrs Miller (Principal).

*Ms Lloyd is the Designated Teacher for Child Protection.*

*Mrs Miller is the Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection.*

*The Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding is Mrs P. Martin*



*Please note there will be no one in the Office between 12 & 1pm daily.*

### Labelling School Items

Whether your child is in P1 or P7 we ask you to please remember to label all items of uniform. This helps us to return lost items to their correct owner quickly and ultimately saves you money!

## Important Dates for your Diary



9<sup>th</sup> September- We will have our annual book fair during the week of the 9<sup>th</sup> September. Parents are invited to come into school when collecting their child/children to view and purchase a book.

12<sup>th</sup> September- Our P1 parents are invited to join with their child to sample our school dinners in our Come Dine with Me Experience.

13<sup>th</sup> September Roald Dahl Day- Children are invited to come to school dressed up as their favourite character from 1 of Roald Dahl's Books.

16-18<sup>th</sup> September- P7 Parent/ Teacher Meetings

17<sup>th</sup> September - P4-P6 Curriculum Meetings @ 2.15pm

18<sup>th</sup> September- P1-3 Curriculum Meetings @2.15pm

18<sup>th</sup> September - P1 children will begin their full school day.

20<sup>th</sup> September -P2 Assembly

26<sup>th</sup> September- European Day of languages. The children will receive a selection of foods from European countries for their break.- A donation of £1.00 is asked to defray the cost. Children are encouraged to come dressed in colours/ national costume of European Country.

27<sup>th</sup> September- Whole School Sponsored Walk

30<sup>th</sup> September -School closed for SDD

11<sup>th</sup> October - P4 Class Assembly

Beginning Of Year Mass

25<sup>th</sup> October - School will close at 12.00 noon for all children for the Halloween Break.

4<sup>th</sup> November- School reopens

15<sup>th</sup> November P6 Assembly

4<sup>th</sup> December- Open Night 7.00pm

10<sup>th</sup>December P1 & P2 Christmas Shows 9.30am & 6.30pm

11<sup>th</sup> December P3 & P4 Christmas Shows 9.30 am & 6.30pm

20<sup>th</sup> December - End of Term 11am finish

## Beginning of Year School Mass

Our first Mass of the year will be celebrated on 16th September. The school community is invited to join us in this celebration.

The children also will attend Mass as a school community on the second Monday of each month (generally) at 10.00am. Please feel free to come along to any of these Masses.

Please also note Liturgical Dates and Times.

First Confession 12th March - 1.30pm

First Communion 16th May - 11am



*Seesaw App: St Brigid's uses the app seesaw to share work and messages with everyone at home in P1 & 2. This year we will be expanding the use of this app to include P3 & 4. Thank you to those who have engaged with this app so positively.*

### *Parent Curriculum Meetings:*

*We have arranged for each year group to hold a curriculum meeting -*

*P4-P6 curriculum meeting will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September @ 2.15pm.*

*P1-P3 curriculum meeting will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September @2.15pm.*

*It is important that home & school work together in partnership to give our children the best education we can. Please make every effort to attend 1 of these meetings, If you have a number of children within the school we would suggest attending the eldest child's Curriculum Meeting.*

### *Hometimes*

*We recognise the unavoidable congestion that occurs at home tie with the dismissal of so many children. We ask for your support in parking sensibly and using the church car park. Please also supervise small children to ensure their safety at this time*



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*Jonah, Farrah, Ethan, Nathan, Milo, Leah, Amelia, Jack, Olivia, Chloe, Jack, Alesha, Patrick, Finn, & Maeve.*

*Jake, Aoibheannm, Noah, Meabh, Harry, Ruairi, Niks, Alex, Corey, Shannan, Megan & Orla*