

## Weekly Note – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020

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Date	Event	Year Group	Time (if relevant)
<b>Catholic Schools' Week – Living in Harmony with God's Creation</b>			
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English speaking classes for Newcomer parents</li> <li>Spanish lessons</li> <li>Speech &amp; Drama</li> <li>Transfer meetings</li> <li>Mass to celebrate the start of Catholic Schools' Week</li> </ul>	Parents & community 4-7 1&2/3-7 7 5-7	9-10am  During school 2-3/3-4pm Afternoon 10am
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wind music tuition</li> <li>Climbing club – North Coast</li> <li>Multi-skills</li> <li>Sounds-Write Parent session</li> <li>Service of Light – parents invited – in school</li> <li>Road safety Quiz</li> </ul>	Individual 4-7 1&2/3-7 1 – invite 7  Team of 4	3-4.20pm 2-3/3-4pm 9-10am 1.30pm  10am
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tennis</li> <li>Come Dine With Me – Y1 families</li> <li>Roast chicken dinner day – menu change</li> </ul>	1&2/3-7 1	2-3/3-4pm 12.15pm
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swimming</li> <li>Yoga Practice &amp; Mindfulness</li> <li>Enrolment Ceremony – parents invited – in school</li> <li><b>Y1 Sep 20 registration closes</b></li> </ul>	5-7 4-7 4	Afternoon 3-4pm 1.30pm  <b>12 Noon</b>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>String music tuition</li> <li>BREAK THE RULES DAY – PTA – 50p per rule (rules will be sent home for pupils to select)</li> </ul>	Individual everyone	

### Year 1 Admissions – September 2020

Come to school from 2pm on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Jan. to get assistance with completing the application form. No appointment needed.

[www.eani.org.uk](http://www.eani.org.uk)

Admissions close 30<sup>th</sup> Jan. 12 noon

### BOOK FAIR – February 2020

Book fair is coming to school Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February to Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February

Please support your child's reading development as well as school funds by purchasing a book from the book fair

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' WEEK.

We are celebrating living in harmony with God's creation in various ways throughout the week;

Y5-7 Mass, Y7 Service of Light, Y1 Come Dine with Me, Y4 Enrolment Ceremony, class activities and celebration assembly

### Spanish Lessons Y4 – Y7

Spanish lessons have begun on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan.

Please ensure any outstanding money owed is paid this week - monthly contribution of £2 per pupil. First contribution w/c Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan.

### Y4 First Holy Communion

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 11am**

Y4 Enrolment Ceremony – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>  
January - 1.30pm (in school)

First Confession – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March –  
1.30pm (in school)

### Y7 Confirmation

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm**

Y7 Service of Light – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan. -1.30pm  
(in school)

### UNWANTED BOOKS AND GAMES

Please donate books and games to school,  
that you are no longer using. It is a great  
way for us to keep our library updated and  
our children to share books with others that  
they have enjoyed.

### **Ballyhackett P.S.**

Ballyhackett is celebrating its 150th  
Anniversary. The school are holding a Rhythm  
Rascals Concert in Castlerock on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup>  
January** to begin celebrations.  
Everyone invited, contact school for details.

### **Y6&7 STEM – Raising Aspirations for Our Pupils**



The University of Ulster hosted a hands-on  
STEM experience for our pupils. Look at the  
experiences on our Twitter feed that our Y6 &  
Y7 pupils received as they visited various labs:

- Psychology: Neuroscience, Eye-tracking & Exercise
- Chemistry: Bath Bombs
- Biology: DNA of a Strawberry

### **TERM 2 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

#### **Feb. Mid-Term break**

School is closed Mon. 17<sup>th</sup> Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Feb. inclusive

#### **St. Patrick's Day**

School is closed Mon. 16<sup>th</sup> & Tue 17<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **Easter Holidays**

School is closed Fri.10<sup>th</sup> – Fri. 17<sup>th</sup> Apr. inclusive

### **PTA Update (Plan for Term 2 & 3)**

At the PTA meeting last week, the following schedule of events have been agreed for the remainder of the school year. As well as fundraising, PTA events offer an excellent way to socialise with other parents and members of the community.

**January** –Break the Rules Day - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan. - 50p per rule

**February** – ‘Split the Pot’ draw will take place each Friday! Begins Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb. until Easter.  
Valentine's Day Bun Sale – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Valentine's Day wear red - Raising Awareness of Heart Disease – small donations welcome

**March** – Community Links for Children's Hospice NI – Shared Education – children from Killowen and St. John's will link hands for the entire distance between the schools - £2 per pupil – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 9.30am. Please come along to support and join in.

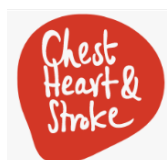
- St. Patrick's Day Celebration, Wear Green Day for Trocaire £2 per pupil – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March
- Pub Quiz – Sky Dive fund raising – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March
- Split the Pot continues

**April** - Easter raffle and bonnet  
- Sky Dive Fundraising Big Breakfast – Details to be confirmed  
- Split the Pot – last draw – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

**May** – Sky Dive -Date to be confirmed  
- Loose Change Challenge

- 10k walk as part of Sky Dive Fundraising

**June** – Pub Quiz – The Port Hotel, Portrush – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June  
- Summer Fair – Provisional Date – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June



We appreciate your help and support in any way with events being organised, for the benefit of our children and the above charities.