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## MONTHLY NOTE MAY 2017

### *School Holidays this Month:*

Monday 29 & Tuesday 30 May

### *After School Activities this Term:*

Date	Activity
Monday 8, 15 & 22 May	P7 Mr McIvor & Mrs Barry's Cycling Proficiency 3.00-4.30pm
Tuesday 2, 9, 16 & 23 May	Athletics P1-P2 2-3pm Athletics P3-P7 3-4pm
Tuesday 2, 9, 16 & 23 May	P5 Hurling 3-4pm
Tuesday 2, 9, 16 & 23 May	Selected P5-P7's Traditional Music
Tuesday 9, 16, 23 May	P7 Gaelic in Abbey GS
Tuesday 2, 9, 16, 23 May	P5 Mrs Thornton's class Art
Wednesday 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 May	P1-P2 Multi Sports 2-3pm P3-P5 Multi Sports 3-4pm
Wednesday 10, 17, 24 & 31 May	P7 Miss Hughes & Miss Byrnes' Cycling Proficiency 3.00-4.30pm
Thursday 4, 11, 18 & 25 May	Evo Soccer P1-P2 2-3pm Evo Soccer P3-P7 3-4pm
Thursday 4, 11, 18 & 25 May	P6 Mrs Quinn's class Baking 3-4pm
Thursday 4, 11, 18 & 25 May	P5 Icode Club 3-4pm
Friday 19 & 26 May	Hip Hop P1-P2 2-3pm Hip Hop P1-P2 3-4pm



### *Events this Month:*

- P4 children are involved in 'Children of the Eucharist' on **Tuesday 2 May**.
- There will be a presentation by 'Love for Life' for P7 classes on **Thursday 4 May**.
- P5 classes visit the Silent Valley on **Friday 5 May**.
- The P3 Enrolment Mass for parents will be held in the Assembly Hall on **Friday 26 May at 1.30pm**.
- Swimming for Mrs Thornton's class continues on **Monday 8 & 22 May**.
- P4 classes and choir are involved in practices for Holy Communion in the week of **8 May** in St Brigid's Church the Meadow.
- First Holy Communion takes place on **Saturday 13 May at 10.30am** in St Brigid's Church the Meadow and a photographer will be in school on **Monday 15 May** to take photos of the children in their Communion clothes.
- Choir for P5-P7 children will be held in school at 2-3pm.

### *School News:*

#### **Parents' Association Sponsored Cycle**

Thank you to all who cycled and sponsored on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>! This event raised **£2310.44!** We hope to do this again next year and we hope more of you will become involved.

#### **Bake Sale**

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed and baked for our Bake Sale on 25 April. It was a great success and raised **£584.29** towards the purchase of outside lunch benches.

#### **Fundraising**

Again thank you to everyone who contributed to our Lenten collection for Trocaire which raised **£1000** and Newry Lions Sponsored Swim which also raised **£1000**.

#### **Big Weed**

Thanks to all who helped on Friday 28 April! Another big weed action will take place before the end of June. Please show your support.

### **School App**

Over the next week St Ronan's will be releasing its new School App. This will be available on all Apple and Android devices. As ever St Ronan's seeks to use modern technology to keep you up to date!

### **Walk to School Week 15 – 19 May 2017**

Walk to school week is an important campaign which highlights to children the importance of walking and why it is good to exercise daily. We would encourage the children of St Ronan's to make a big effort to walk to school this week. On Friday 19th, we will have a reward for their efforts by inviting them to wear their "happiest shoes" to school. These shoes could be shiny shoes, wellies, trainers or shoes with coloured laces. Enjoy the walking everyone! (Please make sure to put school shoes in school bag to change into and we ask for a **20p** donation go to Children Helping Children.)

### **Sainsbury's Active Kids**

Once again we are collecting the Active Kids vouchers. There are collection boxes located in the school foyer. So please encourage your child to bring these vouchers into school as they enable us to purchase valuable resources for our children.

### **Fun Day and Sports Day**

It is hoped to hold these on the following dates – **Fun Day P1-3 Tuesday 23 May and Sports Day P4-7 Thursday 25 May** (weather permitting). Both events are weather permitting and if there is a cancellation then events will roll over to the next available day. We may reach a point where we will have to run the events with very little notice to parents. We will send a text message notifying you of any changes and we apologise if these circumstances are unsuitable for your attendance but we are very dependent on the weather and time is short.

### **May Procession**

Our May Procession will take place on **Monday 15 May at 11.00am** beginning from the Turning Circle in the school and proceeding to St Clare's Convent and then returning to finish at our School Grotto. All parents/grandparents etc are cordially invited to come join us. I hope as many of you as possible can attend.

### **Mobile Phones**

Under no circumstances should children have mobile phones in school. If a message needs to be sent by a child to a parent or vice versa this should be communicated through the school office. If a mobile phone is found in school it will be confiscated and given to the principal and must be collected by a parent from the principal.

### **P3 Line**

P3 children will line in the lower playground outside P1 classes (home time). In the interests of pupil safety please work with staff.

### **Homework**

In accordance with school homework policy parents should ensure children complete all homework. If children do not get homework completed please write a note in homework diary to teachers informing them of this. Homework diaries should be checked each night and signed at least weekly.

### **Milk Money**

If you wish your child to receive milk this term please send in **£10 by Friday 5 May**.

### **Sponsored Penalty Kick**

We are holding a whole school sponsored penalty kick event on **Friday 26 May** to raise money for new PE equipment in. Children can wear their own soccer gear and trainers on this day.

### **Summer Uniforms**

Children are allowed to wear the summer uniform from today. Please see the school website for clarification of its details.

### **Election Day**

St Ronan's will be closed on **Thursday 8 June** due to the Elections.

### **Parents Association Summer Fair**

The School Fair will take place on **Wednesday 14 June from 2 - 4pm**. Please keep any books, toys or bric a brac you may be able to donate to the sale.