

ST CONOR'S PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY UNIT NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2017

Diary Dates

Thurs 9 th November	Year 4 trip to the UAFP 7 pm: Mass followed by celebration in St Joseph's Hall for Monsignor Donnelly
Tuesday 14 th November	7.30 pm; PTFA Meeting – to plan Christmas Bazaar
Wed 15 th November	Fr Kelleher to visit school to promote and pray the Holy Rosary with all children
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need non-uniform day
Saturday 18 th November	GL Assessment in CBS and Loreto for Year 7 pupils
Monday 20 th November	Nurses in school (all week) – Flu Jab
Tuesday 21 st November	7 – 8 pm: Information on the BIG BEDTIME READ for Nursery Parents
Wed 22 nd November	Inter-school Conall McCrory Memorial girls' football competition in the Station Centre 7.30 pm: PTFA AGM in school
Friday 24 th November	Parent Teacher Meetings. No school for pupils
Saturday 25 th November	6 pm: Do this in Memory Mass for Year 4 pupils in Sacred Heart Church
Tuesday 28 th November	Shoe boxes collected by Samaritan's Purse
Wednesday 29 th November	Educational Trip tie Florencourt for Year 7 pupils
Thursday 30 th November	10 am: St Enda's Panto in St Joseph's Hall 7.30 pm; presentation of Paired Reading Certificates to Year 4 children



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School Closures

Friday 24th November: Parent Teacher Meetings

School closes at 12 noon on Thurs 21st December. (Nursery closes at 3 pm on Wednesday 20th December)

School re-opens for all classes on Thurs 4th January 2018

Parent Teacher Meetings

Parent Teacher meetings will take place on **Friday 24th November 2017**.

Appointment times will be issued next week. There is no school for pupils on this day.

Dates for Sacraments

First Confession: Wednesday 7th March 2018 @ 7 pm

First Eucharist: Sunday 20th May 2018 @ 12.30 pm

Confirmation: Saturday 10th March 2018 @ 11 am

PTFA Meeting – Bazaar

There will be a meeting in preparation for the upcoming Christmas Bazaar on Tuesday 14th November 2017 in the school. Everyone is welcome

The AGM of the PTFA, to include election of officers (Chair; Secretary; Treasurer; Vice Chair, Vice Secretary and Vice-Treasurer) is on Wednesday 22nd November 2017 at 7.30 pm in the school. **Everyone is welcome.**

Proposed Date of Bazaar

Thursday 7th December 2017

Principal Award Winners - October

The following children were awarded a Principal's Certificate during October:

Nursery Roza Opiola Amber McHugh Ronan O'Loughlin Dillon Breen	Year 1 Cassie Donaghy Freya McCann Toni-Leigh Kirk Rose Kelly	Year 2 Paula Gallen Patrycja Jarosz Fionn Devlin Eva Kelly	Year 3 Aine Barrett-Wylie Matthew McGinn Caoimhe McCrory Oisín Lunney
Year 4 Eunan McClean Dara Sheridan Alex Andrews Grace Marshall	Year 5 Victoria Zlezarczyk Fionnuala Barrett Eimear McGinn James Fyffe	Year 6 Tiernan Kelly Maria Mullan Erin Logue Tiernan Gray	Year 7 Erin Lunney Michael McDonagh Rares Ursu Kristian Devine

Book Fair 2017

Thank you to all who supported our Book Fair. £ 2,775.85 worth of books was purchased, entitling the school to avail of £ 1,165 worth of books.

Eco-Council Members 2017

Following class elections in Years 4 - 7, the following children were chosen to represent their class on St Conor's Eco-Council 2017-18: Aoibheann Dolan (Year 4), Dara Sheridan (Year 4), Sean O'Donnell (Year 5), Eimear McGinn (Year 5), Lorcan McCartney Year 6), Ryan Kearney (Year 6), Charlie McCann (Year 7), Adrian Sheridan (Year 7), Carraig McKenna (Year7).

Anti-bullying Week 2017

Anti-Bullying Week takes place this year from 13th - 17th November. Anti-Bullying Week shines a spotlight on bullying and encourages all children, teachers and parents to take action against bullying behaviour. The theme this year is '**All Different, All Equal**' and we aim:

- To empower children to celebrate what makes them, and others, unique
- To help children understand how important it is that every child feels valued and included, able to be themselves, without fear of bullying
- encourage parents and carers to talk to their children about bullying, difference and equality
- To celebrate what makes us '**all different, all equal**', encouraging children to take individual and collective action to prevent bullying, so creating safe environments for everyone.

Advent Mass and Carol Service 2017

The annual St Conor's Primary School & Nursery Unit Advent Mass and Carol Service is on Wednesday 13th December 2017 in Sacred Heart Church at 7.30 pm.

Open Day 2017

An Open Morning for incoming parents and pupils to Nursery and Year 1 in September 2018 will be held on **Tuesday 5th December** from 10 – 12 noon.

Please note that children currently enrolled in our Nursery Unit must apply for a place in Year 1 for September 2018.

Please inform prospective parents of children who will be 3 years old by 1st July 2018 (Nursery Target Age) and those who will be 4 years old by 1st July 2018 (Year 1) of this event.

Website

Keep up to date by visiting our school website www.stconorspsomagh.com

Christmas Plays 2017

Class	Date	Time
Year 3 Mrs McCrystal	Friday 8th December	1.30 pm
Year 3 Mrs McCain	Monday 11th December	1.30 pm
Year 2 Mrs Fyffe	Tuesday 12th December	10 am
Year 2 Mrs Canavan	Wednesday 13th December	10 am
Year 1 Mrs McDonagh	Thursday 14th December	10 am
Year 1 Mrs McMahon	Friday 15th December	10 am

Fr Jim Kelleher – Eucharistic Family Rosary Crusade

Inspired by the mission of the Blessed Mother, Fr. Jim Kelleher preaches the important of praying the daily family Rosary to school children and people throughout the world to obtain world peace. He is visiting our school on Wednesday 15th November 2017 to speak with the children and to pray the Rosary with them.

To conclude his visit to Omagh, Fr Kelleher will celebrate a special Mass in the Sacred Heart Church at 7.30 pm on Friday 17th November, followed by refreshments in St Joseph's hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

Ronnie Kelly Memorial Inter-school Football Competition

The annual Ronnie Kelly Memorial football competition, hosted by St Conor's, was held recently in the Station Centre. A total of 7 schools entered teams in the competition.



St Conor's were proud winners of the Ronnie Kelly Cup after victory in the final over St Lawrences' PS in Fintona.

Pictured receiving the cup from Mrs Chrissy Kelly are team members Leon McClean, Carraig McKenna, Ronan McSorley, Adrian Sheridan, Lorcan McGrath, Turlough Collins, Fionn Collins and Captain, Mike Sharkey.

