

St Conor's Primary School & Nursery Unit

Newsletter

March 2018



SCHOOL CLOSURES

Monday 19th March - HOLIDAY

Thursday 29th March - STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Fri 30th March – GOOD FRIDAY. HOLIDAY

Mon 2nd - Fri 6th April - EASTER HOLIDAYS

FIRST CONFESSION
Wednesday 7th March 2018 at 7.30 pm

HOLY COMMUNION Sunday 20th May 2018 at 12.30 pm

CONFIRMATION
Saturday 10th March 2018 at 11 am

Lenten Campaign 2018

This year your donations to our Lenten Campaign will support **Trócaire**'s work in Sierra Leone and the **Loreto to Lusaka** Appeal.

Trocaire:

A little girl called Kumba is pictured on this year's Trocaire box. When Kumba was just seven a landslide destroyed her family's livelihood. Please support Trócaire's work to help fight against poverty and injustice for children like Kumba.

Loreto to Lusaka:

Last week our past pupil, Aoife McGirr, launched an appeal to support the people of poverty-stricken Lusaka in Zambia. We are raising funds to support the building and resourcing of a classroom for the children of Lusaka by 15 girls from Loreto who will travel to Lusaka in October.

Good luck with filling your smarties tubes with 20ps!!



WORLD BOOK DAY 2018

On Thursday 1st March pupils in St Conor's took part in the celebrations for World Book Day. As part of this, children came to school dressed as a character from their favourite story. They also brought a copy of their favourite book with them to swap / share with children in their class. It was an absolutely amazing day. Lots of photographs were taken and they can be viewed on the school website www.stconorspsomagh.com



Healthy Lunch-boxes



In line with our Healthy Break Policy the Department of Education (DENI) has issued some ideas to parents for healthy lunchboxes:

- Base the main part of the lunch on foods such as bread, cereal, rice, pasta etc.
- Get creative with some alternatives to sandwiches e.g. wholemeal pitta pockets, tortilla wraps or pasta salad.
- Include some protein such as lean meat, chicken, tuna, ham, cheese or egg.
- Aim to have at least one fruit or vegetable-based food or drink in the lunchbox to count towards your child's five-a-day.
- Add a portion of semi-skimmed milk or other diary food such as cheese or fromage frais.
- Fluids are an important part of a child's diet. Try a variety of different drinks such as a carton of fruit juice, water, yoghurt or milk drink. (No fizzy or energy drinks please).
- Try the mini-sized versions of your child's favourite foods - a healthy lunchbox does not mean giving up all the foods children enjoy.

IMPORTANT DATES IN MARCH					
DATE	EVENT				
Thurs 1 st	World Book Day 2018				
Sat 3 rd	6pm : Do This in Memory Mass for Year 4 pupils				
Tues 6 th	Cumann na mBunscol Quiz hosted by St Conor's				
Wed 7 th	7.30pm : Sacrament of Reconciliation for Year 4				
Thurs 8 th	Assembly and Launch of Loreto to Lusaka Appeal				
Fri 9 th	10am : Final of Boys' indoor Football – Cookstown				
Sat 10 th	11am: Sacrament of Confirmation for Year 7 pupils				
Tues 13 th	Original Icon - World Meeting of Families in Sacred Heart Church. Year 7PL to visit Church				
Thurs 15 th	Monthly visit from EWO to monitor pupil attendance and punctuality				
	10 am: Final of Girls' indoor Football – Cookstown				
	3.15 pm: Friendly Netball Match (St Conor's V St Mary's)				
Fri 16 th	Assembly and Celebration of Irish Music and Culture				
Mon 19 th	School Closed				
Wed 21 st	10 – 12: Christ the King School Show for Year 7 children				
Thurs 22 nd	Inter-school Netball Tournament hosted by St Conor's Year 2 Trip to Mellon Fun Farm				
Sat 24 th	6pm: Do This in Memory Mass for Year 4 pupils				
Tues 27 th	Primary Maths Challenge for Team of 4 pupils from Year 7 hosted by Sacred Heart College				
Thurs29 th	Baker Day: School Closed for Pupils				
Fri 30 th	School Closed				

Nursery Plays
Dates to be confirmed after Easter

Brown bear, brown bear, what do you see? I see a red bird looking at me.



Child Protection Information

Designated Teacher for Child Protection: Mrs K McGettigan (Principal)

Deputy Designated Teacher: Mrs A McDonagh (Year 1 Teacher)

Designated Governor for Child Protection: Mr P Doherty

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD WINNERS

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Nursery	Tommy Doyle Maria Konikowska Cormac McAteer Ethan Devlin Danann Teague Ava McGinn Rocco Finlay Eibhleann McGuigan	Year 3	Sinead McCann Daniel Harbison Emily Andrews Conor Farley Amy Kelly Chanel Donnell	Year 6	Oonagh Pancott Tammy Donnell Sophie McDermott Lorcan McCartney Eoin Miley Leona McDonagh		
Year 1	Sean Og Drumm Jessica Dragoiu Lucy Brown Ria Boden Leona McFarland Cara McCartney	Year 4	Aebha Devlin Rachel Albuquerque Maya Ferreruela- McMahon Jesmy Joy Lia Ward Maeve Corry	Year 7	Emma McQuaid Caolan Mulcahy- Robinson Corey Mullin Saoirse Glackin Michael Corrigan Gabriella Skelton		
Year 2	Leah McAleer Dan Donnelly Evie Pancott Aoibhinn Boyle Holly Breen Mia Johns	Year 5	Ciarrai Hurley Alice-Rose Maguire Ciara McGirr Ben McCauley Tom Sheridan Emelia Totu				