



St.Patrick's Primary School Sway Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our weekly Sway newsletter.

Thanks to Cathan McGregor and Kiyan Topcu who helped produce this week's newsletter.

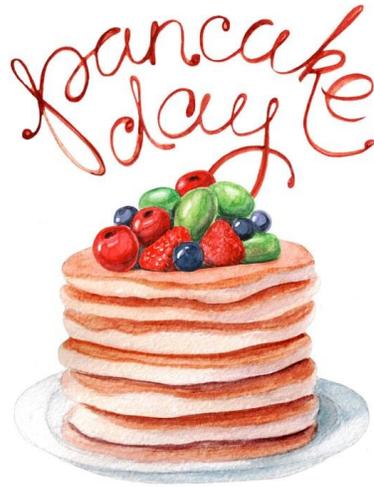
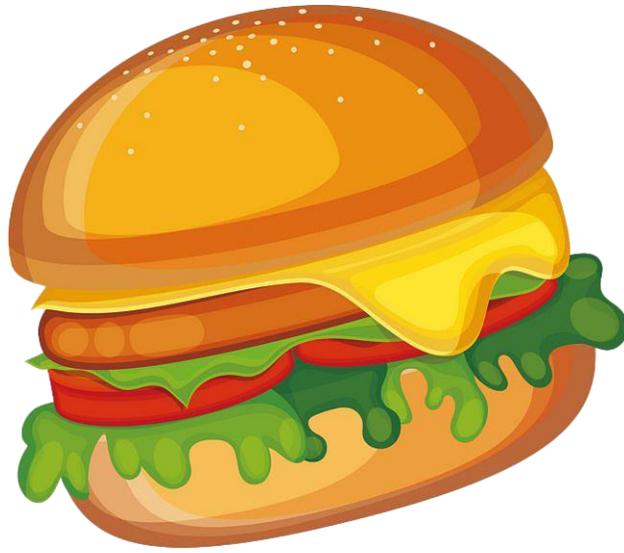
Please find important dates and events below. We will try to give as much notice and information as possible, however there may be times when dates may change, beyond our control.

THIS WEEK CHILDREN IN P1,P2,P3,P4 AND P6 WILL GO HOME AT 2PM EVERY DAY TO FACILITATE PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS.

- Week beginning Monday 23rd February: Parent Teacher Meetings for P1,P2,P3,P4,P6.
PLEASE NOTE PRIMARY 7 INTERVIEWS HAVE ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED AND PRIMARY 5 INTERVIEWS WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR LATER THIS TERM.
- **3-4pm** P5 Healthy Kidz Hurling and camogie will take place. This will be session 5. Next week Tuesday 3rd March will be the final session.

Sacraments: More information will follow closer to the time.

- First Confession: P3 Thursday 5th March at 1pm in the Church
- First Holy Communion: P4 Saturday 16th May at 11am



1 - Many classes in our school had a great Pancake Tuesday. 🥞



2 - P1 made pancakes and they were so yummy! 😊



3 - P2 made pancakes as well. I wonder who's recipe was best? 😊



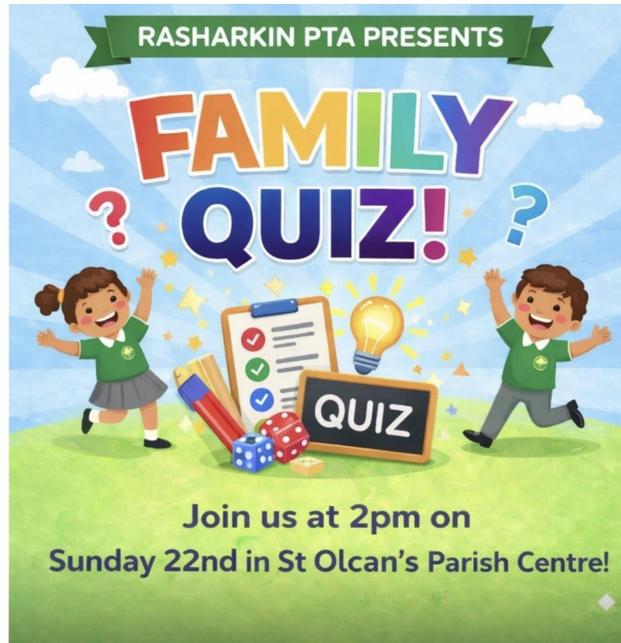




The nursery children had great fun making pancakes for Pancake Tuesday. They enjoyed eating them with some tasty toppings. The children made their own pancakes using playdough and practised flipping them on their own pan. They also made their own pancake face by cutting and sticking toppings.







4 - PTA are holding a family quiz on Sunday 22nd February at 2pm in the Parish Hall. Please support this worthwhile cause as our children in school benefit greatly.

Our friends from Rasharkin Community Playgroup came to visit the nursery class on Monday. The children played in the classroom together with their new friends. Then they enjoyed singing songs and playing instruments with Jo Jingles in the assembly hall. We look forward to Playgroup visiting St Patrick's again.





This week all the classes celebrated Internet Safety Day as it was postponed for mid-term. Every class participated in lessons about staying safe online and the winning designers of our school poster competition will be selected by the School Council and posted next week. This is a hugely important area to discuss at home.



This week we are welcoming the Travelling Book Company into School. This offers all pupils from Nursery to P7 the opportunity to browse, read and purchase some beautiful new books and a percentage of what is collected from sales will go straight to new books for our school library.

If parents are in school for the Parent Teacher meetings and would like to look and purchase any books, please ask a member of staff and we can facilitate this. Please note only cash will be accepted.

If you cannot make it, we have linked an online catalogue- unfortunately not all titles can be guaranteed to be in our collection but it may give you an idea of what is available and the cost.

online catalogue:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.ie/bookcases>

All classes will be scheduled to see the books and read together from Wednesday 25th February onwards. If you wish to send money into school for your child to buy a book, please put money into an envelope with their name and class. Please do not feel under any pressure to buy.



There will be a family Mass on Saturday 28th February. The focus will be for Primary 3 as they are preparing for their Sacrament of Reconciliation at the beginning of March.

Children's Liturgy Family Mass

*For all primary pupils, led by
Primary 3 class

Saturday 28th February 2026

As our Primary 3 class prepare for their First Confession
we continue to support and guide them on this important
step in their faith journey.

The theme for our family mass is "Forgiveness"



Congratulations to the Primary 7 boys and girls who play for Rasharkin in the Friendship League. They defeated Dunloy 3-1 and won the shield. Well done everyone!



Congratulations to the pupils from P1-P7 who received Pupil of the day this week. Congratulations everyone!



On Wednesday P7 welcomed Mrs Mc Guiggan from St Conor's Secondary School, Kilrea into school. We had great fun with PE.



St.Mary's GAC

Training for the following teams will commence in Dunloy Indoor Academy on Saturday 31st January.

P1/2 - Football and Hurling - 2-3pm

P3/4 Hurling 1-2pm

P5/6 Hurling 3-4pm



On Thursday P6 had Shared Education with Rasharkin Primary School learning about safety online. It looked like so much fun!



Well done to the P7 canteen monitors, who continue to help and assist the preparation of the canteen at lunch time. They all display great teamwork and initiative!



Please remember the importance of being to school on time each morning. All classes from P1-P7 begin their learning at 9am. Any late arrivals must be recorded as late on the school attendance.

Also where possible, please try to schedule appointments after school for children. Again, leaving school early reduces learning and must be recorded on the pupil attendance.

