

**School Information for Parents/Guardians**

**Monday 12 October2020**

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**A successful return to school!!**

It is great to see the children back at school full of excitement and eager to do well in their new school year. Let’s hope that in spite of all the difficulties we have experienced over the previous number of months we can continue to keep going as best we can. The children are a credit to you all and have adapted so well to the new routines we have in place.

I would like to wish everyone good luck and success throughout the year and thank you all for your support so far.

**Monday 12 October**

* Breakfast Club open every day 8.00 – 9.00 am

**Parent Interviews**

The parent interviews normally scheduled for the end of October will take place in Jan/Feb 2021. Current restrictions make the number of face to face interviews difficult to manage. If you have any worries or concerns, you can still contact the school to arrange to speak to the class teacher and they will get back to you.

* After School Club open every day 2.00 - 5.30pm
* Dinner menu Week 3

**Tuesday 13 October**

* **Confirmation Group 1** (Year 7 – last year)

5.00 pm in Our Lady and St Patrick’s

**Wednesday 14 October**

* Violin Tutor in
* **Confirmation Group 2** (Year 7 – last year)

5.00 pm in Our Lady and St Patrick’s

**Thursday 15 October**

**Friday 16 October**

* Principal Awards

**Up and coming information & dates for your Diary**

* **Reminder: St Brigid’s PS is a Nut Free School. Please do not send in Nuts or Nut Spreads to school.**
* Important: Could your child be entitled to free school meals? Did your child receive free school meals last year? Remember you may need to confirm details with the Education Authority. If you think you are entitled but are unsure about what to do please call the office for advice.
* **Crazy Hair, Wacky Face and Non-Uniform Day Friday 23 October: More details on the next page.**

**After School Childcare – Spaces available!!!**

* One Stop: 2.00 – 3.00 pm (£2) Sunshine Club: 3.00 – 5.30 pm (£2 per hour or part thereof)
* Breakfast Club: 8.00 – 9.00 am (£1 per day)
* **Mid Term Break October 2020:**

Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October (inclusive)

**Christmas Break 2020:**

!2 noon Friday 18 December – Wednesday 6 January (inclusive).

Have a very enjoyable weekend and thanks for your continued support. Mr K O’Neill Principal

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**CRAZY HAIR – DON’T CARE!!!!**

**WACKY FACE – ALL OVER THE PLACE!!**

**Hand Hygiene**

I know many parents have been contacting the school with regards to hand washing and hand sanitising. This is a mandatory element to the restart of schools and one of the key strategies we must use to keep everyone at school safe. Maintaining a high level of good hand hygiene isn’t optional for us and we would encourage you to support us in this. Hand washing is the most frequent approach and this is backed up by using hand sanitiser as well. The dry/cracked hands are something everyone is experiencing and the first helpful hint is to dry the backs of your hands thoroughly after washing. You can also speak to your pharmacist to see if there is anything that can help with this.

**A word of thanks!!**

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Don, Claire, Glenda and Donna for their great work over the summer in preparing the school for the children coming back in September. The school is looking fantastic!

Thanks also must go to all the staff for their hard work in getting everything ready for the new school year and for their hard work in making sure that everything continues to remain in place, making the school a safe place for everyone. I wish the school and its community every success and God’s blessing for the year ahead.

**Speed in the Chapel Car Park**

Please be mindful of your speed in the chapel car park when dropping off and picking up the children. The car park is busy with children moving to and from cars. All drivers must be careful. Speed limit is 10 miles per hour.

Please be careful when reversing out of spaces

**Important Notice**

When using the car park at the chapel, please do not park in front of the gates as they are emergency exits and must be kept clear at all times for access. There is a good number of spaces to park in so please use the designated parking spaces. The front car park is very busy and only for children arriving by bus or taxi.



Crazy Hair and Wacky Face Day

Friday 23 October 2020

**Halloween in St Brigid’s**

**with a difference.**

* Crazy Hair (spikes, colours, bobbles etc.)
* Wacky Faces (face paints only)
* Non-Uniform Day
* No Costumes, Face masks, Hats or accessories this year please
* You may email in a photo of you in your costume at home so that we can create a Halloween Gallery



