

**School Information for Parents/Guardians**

**Monday 27 February 2023**

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**World Book Day – Character Dress Up Day**

To celebrate World Book Day this year we will be having a day to dress up as a character on Wednesday 1 March.

**Please do not go to any extra expense in purchasing costumes and try to create a costume with items already available at home.**

**There are loads of ides for costumes online that can be created from items of clothing you may already have at home. The website below has some great ideas.**

[**https://www.madeformums.com/toddler-and-preschool/last-minute-easy-world-book-day-costumes/**](https://www.madeformums.com/toddler-and-preschool/last-minute-easy-world-book-day-costumes/)

**Monday 27 February**

* Dinner menu Week 3
* Boys’ Hockey Blitz – Rugby Avenue, Coleraine (morning)

**Tuesday 28 February**

* **Swimming Class B (1.00-1.30pm) and Year 6 (1.30-2.00 pm)**

**£3.50 per week**

* Girls’ Hockey Blitz – Rugby Avenue, Coleraine (morning)

**Wednesday 1 March**

* World Book Day – Big Dress Up
* Council Sport 9.15-10.15 am
* Violin tutor in

**Thursday 2 March**

* Love for Life Programme – Year 3, 6 & 7
* Guitar tutor

**Friday 3 March**

* Piano tutor
* GAA Fridays – Yr3-7 inc. CB wear PE gear to school.
* Football 2-3 pm Year 6 & 7 (£1 per week or £8 for 8 weeks)

**Up and coming dates for your diary**

* **Friday 17 March – St Patrick’s Day**

**Easter Break 2023:**

12 noon Thursday 6 April – Friday 14 April (inclusive)

Have a very enjoyable weekend and thanks for your continued support.

Mr K O’Neill Principal

**St Brigid’s Primary School – Castle Street – Ballymoney – BT53 6JX – 028 27662664**



Get set… St Brigid’s is taking part in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel 2023, the inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge.

The challenge runs **from 20 March to 31 March**. It’s free and we would love everyone to be involved.

**What do you need to do?**

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event. This has been a huge success in St Brigid’s in previous years!

**Why we are taking part?**

‘Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel’ is a great way to build physical activity in children’s daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing.

Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate.

We will also make use of our bikes and scooters each day in school during our Daily Mile – creating good habits for an active lifestyle.



Throughout Lent all of the classes will be collecting for Trócaire and the collection of small change is promoted, given that ‘pennies make pounds’!

**Milk Carton Challenge**

This year each child will again receive an empty milk carton to collect change.

We will also have a designated Fund-Raising Day for Trocaire later on in March. More details to follow!

The annual **Green Day** will be held on **Thursday 16 March** in conjunction with our St Patrick’s Day celebrations.

Each child will dress in green and donate £1 to Trócaire.

**Sacrament Dates 2022-23**

**Sacrament of Penance:** Thursday 23 March 2023

**Sacrament of Confirmation:** Friday 5 May 2023

**Sacrament of Communion:** Saturday 20 May 2023

**Registration P1 September 2023**

**Applications now closed**

**If you need to make a late application, please contact the school.**

**028 27662664** [**koneill580@c2kni.net**](mailto:koneill580@c2kni.net)

**NUT FREE SCHOOL**

**St Brigid’s PS is a Nut Free School. There is a child in our school with a Nut Allergy.**

**Please do not send in Nuts or Nut Spreads to school.**

**Pancake Tuesday**

A huge thank you to Gareth and Michelle Cochrane from the ‘Sizzling Sausage’ Restaurant for coming into school on Tuesday afternoon to give a pancake making demonstration and provide pancakes to all the children.

**Sacrament of Penance**

**Thursday 23 March 2023**

**Reminder: To confirm Baptism details, please remember to complete the form sent out to parents. If your child was baptised in a parish other than Our Lady and St Patrick’s, Ballymoney, you will need to request a Baptism Certificate from that parish and send it in to school.**