

**School Information for Parents/Guardians**

**Monday 27 March 2023**

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**Sacrament of Penance**

Congratulations to all the children in Year 3 who made their First Confession on Thursday 23 March. It was a lovely celebration. Thanks to everyone who helped to prepare the children and to Fr McCaughan for leading the service.

**Monday 27 March**

* New Dinner Menu - **Menu Cycle Week 4**
* **Big Walk and Wheel Week 2**

**Class visits to Mass and Confessions during Lent.**

**Monday 27th**            Year 4

**Wednesday 29th**      Year 2 and Year 5 (confessions)

* Girls’ Netball Blitz – morning in Ballsally PS

**Tuesday 28 March**

* **Singing and Guitar tutor in**
* **Swimming Class B (1.00-1.30pm) and Year 6 (1.30-2.00 pm)**

**£3.50 per week**

**Wednesday 29 March**

* Violin tutor in

**Pupil Absence**

If your child is absent from school please contact the school office on the first day of absence, give the reason for absence and possible duration.

Thank you

**Thursday 30 March**

* Guitar tutor

**Friday 31 March**

* **GAA Fridays – Year 3-7 & CB** (wear PE gear to school)
* Girls’ Netball Training in OLOL
* Principal Awards

**Up and coming dates for your diary**

* **Easter Break 2023:**

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

* **Term 3 Holidays:**

**Monday 1 May – May Day**

**Monday 8 May – King’s Coronation Bank Holiday**

**Thursday 18 May – Local Council Elections – School Closed Polling Station**

**Monday 29 – Tuesday 30 May**

**Summer Break: School Closes 12noon Friday 30 June**

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

Mr K O’Neill Principal

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**Pupil Attendance**

**If your child has missed 28 days that equates to 85% attendance and most worryingly almost 6 weeks of learning missed.**

**The Education Welfare Service will be aware of children whose attendance falls below this level.**



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.

**Trocaire update:**

**You can send in the ‘Milk Cartons’ to school at any time.**

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



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.

**Sacrament Dates 2022-23**

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

**Sacrament of Communion:** Saturday 20 May 2023 10.30am

**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.**