St. Colman's Primary School
LAMBEG

The Friday Note

Friday 20th November 2026

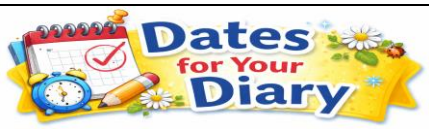
Good afternoon everyone, please see below our Friday Note with key updates, upcoming events and celebrations from across the school.

Safeguarding and Child Protection

Our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy is available to view on the school website. We encourage all parents and carers to take time to read this policy carefully.
If you have a concern about the safety or wellbeing of a child, please contact a member of our Safeguarding Team:
Designated Teacher for Child Protection: Ms Phoenix
Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection: Mr McCaffery
Members of the Safeguarding Team can be contacted through the School Office by telephone or by email, and an appointment can be arranged if required.

St Colman's School Office Opening Hours

If you need to contact the school office, we kindly ask that parents do so between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. each day.



The school calendar is available on the last page of this document.

Parent/Teacher Meeting Day	Friday 27th November (no school for pupils)
St Colman's PS Parent Association - Christmas Fayre	Thursday 26th November 2026 (5.00pm-8.00pm)
St Colman's PS Open Day	Monday 14th December (1.30pm – 2.30pm) ***Please note that P1, P2 and P3 pupils will finish at 12:30pm on this day.***

Christmas Concert Tickets

Christmas Concert Tickets: Tickets for the P1, P2 and P3 Nativity Plays will be released from Monday 23rd November. Tickets are purchased via the school money system at a cost of £2 each. Every child will have an allocation of 3 tickets for the morning show and 3 tickets for the evening show.

Tuesday 8th December	**P2 Christmas Nativity**	**10.00am performance**	**+**	**5pm performance**
Wednesday 9th December	**P1 Christmas Nativity**	**10.00am performance**	**+**	**5pm performance**
Thursday 10th December	**P3 Christmas Nativity**	**10.00am performance**	**+**	**5pm performance**

Doors will open 30mins prior to performances. Entry is by ticket only.



Week Beginning Monday 23rd November 2026

All **St Colman's Afterschool Activities** must be booked through the **school money system**.

MR Sports bookings are done via **their website**.

Day	Club/Activity	Time	Location
Monday	MR Sports Basketball P4-P7	3-4pm	Hall
Tuesday	MR Sports Soccer P2-P7	2-3pm for P2/3	Pitch
	MR Sports Arts & Crafts Club P2-P7	2-3pm for P2/3	Mrs Meenagh's Room
	Irish Dancing P1-P7 (fully booked for this term)	P1-P3 from 2-3pm P4-P7 from 3-4pm	Top Hall
	St Colman's Film & Animation Club	P4-P7 from 3-4pm	Mr Kernans Room
Thursday	MR Sports Lego Club P2-P7	P2-P3 from 2-3pm **No club from 3-4 today**	Mrs Hanna's Room

The Above clubs finish week of 23rd Nov

Advance Notice – Cancellation of Homework Club & MR Sports – Thursday 26th November

To allow time for the setting up of the Christmas Fayre there will be no Homework Club from 3-4pm or Lego from 3-4pm on Thursday 26th November.



Week Beginning Monday 23rd November 2026

All school dinners must be booked in advance of Monday morning. The booking system opens on a Friday morning and closes on a Sunday evening.

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dinner	Oven Baked Fish Fingers Mushy Peas & Sweetcorn Chips or Mashed Potatoes	Margherita Pizza Broccoli & Coleslaw Oven Roasted Diced Potatoes	Chicken Curry & Mini Naan Bread Peas & Baton Carrots Boiled Rice ~or~ Oven Baked Quorn Dippers Peas & Baton Carrots Mashed Potatoes	Roasted Chicken & Gravy Seasonal Vegetables Oven Roast or Mashed Potatoes	*Parent/ Teacher Meeting Day- No school for Pupils*
Dessert	Fruit Muffin with Milkshake	Custard & Two Fruits	Crackers & Dairylea Cheese	Chocolate & Pear Cake with Custard	

School Website: www.stcolmanslambeg.com



Acorn Class Ms Hannaway	Max McCrea-Baum	Ciara Cunningham
P1 Mrs Hanna	Rossa Barron	Emilie McCann
P1 Mrs Meenagh	Emily Hamilton	Oisin Heaney
P2 Ms Phoenix	Delilah Godon	Alice Dillon
P2 Mrs Henry	Aoibheann Hodgkinson	Zariyah McShane
P3 Mrs McDonnell	The Whole Class	
P3 Mrs Boden	The Whole Class	
Mrs Toland/ Mrs Alexander	The Whole Class	
P4 Mr Kernan	Oisin Loughran	Finley Donnelly
P4 Mrs Monaghan	Ethan Casey	Daire Curran
P5 Miss Cunningham/ Mrs Casey	The Whole Class	
P5 Miss Raffo	The Whole Class	
P6 Mrs Tandy	Grace McComb	James Nightingale
P6 Mrs McGrath/ Mr Carey	Sebastian Ward	Maeve O' Callaghan
P7 Mr Deery	Aimee Flynn	Anna Rafferty
P7 Miss McGinn	Rogan McGlinchey	Rioghna McCrudden
Mr Mc Cambridge	Leo Dooley- McCann	Charlie Mezza

Principal's Award

Principal's Award this week goes to Layla Walker P2, Robyn Kane P5, Dylan Hill P6, … WELL DONE!!! 😊

A big thank you to our neighbours at **Corretto Coffee Company**, who very kindly sponsor our **Principal's Award** each week. We really appreciate their continued support and generosity towards our pupils!





And Finally…

As the mornings grow colder and the evenings get darker, there's certainly a sense that Christmas is just around the corner! The excitement is beginning to build across St Colman's, particularly as we look forward to our Christmas Fayre next Thursday.

Preparations are really starting to take shape and we are incredibly grateful to our wonderful Parent Association for all their hard work behind the scenes. A huge thank you also to the many parents, local businesses and sponsors who have generously donated gifts, prizes and other items to support the event. Your kindness and generosity never go unnoticed and it is this wonderful community spirit that makes St Colman's such a special place. We are really looking forward to welcoming everyone along next Thursday for what promises to be a fantastic evening!

We also had some wonderful sporting success this week with our Primary 5 boys and girls taking part in the Lisburn Basketball Cup. All of our teams represented the school brilliantly in what was a very competitive tournament, with our girls going one step further and bringing home the title! A fantastic achievement and another proud moment for our school. Well done to everyone involved!

Meanwhile, the sounds of Christmas are beginning to fill our classrooms and corridors as preparations for our Nativity performances get underway. There is always something very special about this time of year in a primary school and seeing the excitement on the children's faces as they begin learning their songs and practising their parts is a lovely reminder of what makes this season so magical.

With so much happening over the coming weeks, it promises to be a busy but very special few weeks at St Colman's. Thank you, as always, for your continued kindness, generosity and support.

Mr Baine
Principal





Christmas Appeal – Primary 6 & Primary 7

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are supporting Simon Community's welcome packs for people experiencing homelessness this Christmas.

If possible, please send in **at least one item**: **P6 – food items** (tins, pasta, cereal or biscuits); **P7 – toiletries** (shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste or wipes). Extra items are very welcome if you can give more.

Donations are welcome now until **Friday 4th December**, with collection from school on **Monday 7th December**. More information about what to donate is on your child's class Dojo page.

Every donation is appreciated. Thank you for your kindness and support.



St Colman's PS - Open Day 2026

We are delighted to invite prospective parents and children to our Open Day on Monday 14th December, from 1:30-2:30pm, for children starting Primary 1 in September 2027.

We look forward to welcoming families into our school and showcasing all that St Colman's has to offer!

Important Notice: Please note that P1, P2 and P3 pupils will finish at 12:30pm on Monday 14th December to allow staff time to prepare for and facilitate our Open Day.



School Website: www.stcolmanslambeg.com

School Holiday List 2026/27

Term 1

Friday 27th November – Parent Teacher Meeting Day *(School Closed for pupils)*

Monday 21st December - School closes at 12.00 noon for Christmas holidays

Tuesday 22nd December – Friday 1st January - Christmas break (School Closed)

Term 2

Monday 4th January - Pupils return to school

Monday 25th January - School Development Day *(School Closed)*

Monday 8th - Friday 12th February - Mid-term break (School Closed)

Monday 15th February - Pupils return to school

Wednesday 17th March - St Patrick's Day (School Closed)

Thursday 25th March - School closes at 12 noon for Easter holidays

Friday 26th March – Friday 2nd April – Easter break (School Closed)

Term 3

Monday 5th April - Pupils return to school

Friday 30th April - Tuesday 4th May - Bank Holiday & Staff Development Days (School Closed)

Thursday 27th May - Tuesday 1st June - Bank Holiday & Staff Development Days (School Closed)

Wednesday 30th June - School closes at 12 noon for summer holidays